



NEWSLETTER Issue 7

Wednesday 8th November 2017



From Mrs Silke

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parent Curriculum Workshops

This week saw the start of our Parent Curriculum Workshops. Both were an amazing success with over 50 parents attending both the Maths and English Key Stage 2 Workshops! The parents who attended got stuck into solving their own mathematical questions and playing reading games. Next we will be delivering both Reading and Maths Workshops for Key Stage 1 and Phonics for Reception Parents. We look forward to seeing you all there. (Please see dates on the last page).



PTA – Annual General Meeting

The PTA will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 29th November at 3.45pm in the Lower Hall. On the Agenda will be the relaunch of the new look PTA and the voting in of a new committee. More details about the PTA and the process of nominations will be sent home in a letter at the end of week. Without parental involvement our PTA is at risk of folding so if, like us, you don't want to see this happen please show your support by attending the meeting on Wednesday 29th November at 3.45pm (**a crèche will be provided**).

If you are interested in putting yourself forward for the roles of Chairperson, Treasurer or Secretary please look out for the nomination forms which will be attached to the information that will be going home later in the week. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Year 6 are Historians!

Year 6 are going to learn how to be historians this half term as they learn about the Second World War and in particular how children were evacuated during this time. They are learning about how children were only able to take a few belongings with them.



Part of learning how to be a historian is learning about the different sources of information about the past.

They are going to be writing to an 80 year old in West Wales, who was evacuated there when she was 8 years old and ultimately adopted by the people, who looked after her during this time. However, it would be great if they could meet and interview someone in real life so they can appreciate the importance of oral histories about the past.

If you know anyone locally, who was evacuated during the war and would be willing to come in to tell the children what it was like and answer their questions, please email the office at office@arkovalprimary.org



They have turned their book corner into an air raid shelter, so they will be able to understand what it was like in London when there was an air raid.

Finally I am really looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the PTA AGM on 29th November, so please do get the date in the diary.

Best Wishes

Ali Silke

Principal

Our Value last week was **Aim High**.

The following children demonstrated this value this week and each received a certificate in assembly. Well done!

BLAKE	Miraclin Thanaraj
O'KEEFFE	Theo Headley
SEUSS	Teliyah Reid
BOWIE	Suma Cheemakurthi
GILL	Oktay Deliveli
WONDER	Sultan Mete
POTTER	Tiara Zogiani
ROSEN	Chayce Harris-Gilbert
ZEPHANIAH	Hashmat Hashemi
HILL	Ka-Marley McTaggart-Lecky
LEWIS	Lisa Michael
WEIR	Kenya Dos Santos
DARWIN	Avani Bhat
HAWKING	Aren McCarthy
LOVELACE	Nicholas Tota
DAVIS	Angel Genchev
PERKINS	Moises Torrejon-Lopez
PARKS	Sergiu Bogdan
MANDELA	Oscar-Osifo, Benjamin

Attendance awards 

From Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November 2017

The highest attending class in KS1

(including EYFS) was: **Potter**

The highest attending class in KS2 was:

Hill and Lewis

These classes get to display the attendance cups proudly in their classrooms for all to see until Friday 10th November 2017

**School opens at
8.20am for 8.30am start
Please do not be late**



Key Dates for your Diaries

Please see important dates below for your Diary:

Date and Time	Location	Event
Thursday 9 th November 8.30 – 9.30	Lower Hall	Phonics Reception Workshop
Tuesday 14 th November 8.30 – 9.30	Lower Hall	English KSI Workshop
Wednesday 15 th November 8.30 – 9.30	Lower Hall	Maths KSI Workshop
Wednesday 29 th November 3.45pm	Lower Hall	PTA – Annual General Meeting (a crèche will be provided)
Friday 8 th December	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY
Friday 15 th December 3.30 – 5.30	Playgrounds	Christmas Fair
18 th & 19 th December 2017 Times to be advised	Old Building Halls	Christmas performances
Wednesday 20 th December 2017	Playground Dismissal	Last Day of Term Finish at 1.30 pm
Tuesday 2 nd January 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY
Wednesday 3 rd January 2018	Usual Entry Points	First day of Spring Term
Tuesday 9 th & Thursday 11 th January 2018 4.00 to 6.00pm	Classrooms	Parent Consultations