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Welcome

It has been a fantastically busy few weeks at the academy. Last week we had a brilliant day fundraising for Children in Need which included non uniform, a cake sale, a football competition and dance off - we raised over £850 which is amazing; well done everyone!



This week has been our Road Safety week. We have had workshops for the children and parents; a theatre production and competition which was won by Anisa Uddin who designed a super poster. Can I remind everyone again to park safely outside of school, **DO NOT** park on the zigzag lines or park alongside another car. Together we can keep our children safe on the roads outside the academy.

This week we also began work on our UNICEF Rights Respecting award - we will be launching this with the children over the next few weeks and teaching them about their rights and responsibilities. They will work together as a class to design a class charter which will be displayed in their classroom.

There are more exciting events coming up with a Year 3 Roman Workshop today and Year 3 and 4 reading workshops for parents next week. Please attend if you can, as it is an opportunity to work with your child and learn more about the teaching of reading. We love to see as many of you as possible joining us in the academy!

Mrs Twort – Head of School

Poppy Appeal



The Royal British Legion has a fundraising campaign that is held every year in November. Poppies are sold to raise vital funds to help the Armed Forces community.

At Ark Chamberlain staff and pupils sold lots of poppies to help this worthy cause.

Art



Pupils have been producing some outstanding artwork. Ms Lawrence has been working hard with pupils.

Science



Year 5 have been learning about planets. For extra homework they have been making models of the solar system. The three winners worked so hard and produced outstanding work at home.

Mrs Chaubey has created a brilliant display called 'Journey through Space'.

Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-bullying week has been a great success! We had class discussions on the importance of being kind and not being hurtful to others.

Children were taught about the importance of telling someone if they see bullying or are bullied themselves.

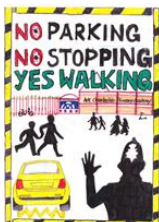
We also had lots of other activities: art and circle time workshops and baking cakes to raise money for Children in Need that coincided with anti-bullying week. Also, the children had an opportunity to take part in art sessions for our displays around the school.

We have worry boxes in all the classes for children to write down their concerns, trained Peer Mediators to deal with small disagreements in the playground and Mr Jamal and Mrs Hayre, who are available to talk through any concerns or worries from the playground/classroom or at home.

Road Safety Competition



Year 3 Winner: Sumaiyah



Year 4 Winner: Anisa

Safeguarding

What is safeguarding?

Safeguarding is the action taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.

Safeguarding means:

- protecting children from abuse and maltreatment
- preventing harm to children's health or development
- ensuring children grow up with safe and effective care
- taking action to enable all children and young people to have the best outcomes.

Child protection is part of the safeguarding process. It focuses on protecting individual children identified as suffering or likely to suffer significant harm.

Every member of staff in Ark Chamberlain has a responsibility to safeguard our pupils. Strong procedures are in place to ensure every child is safe and happy.

Academy Lunches – Important Update

All dinner money must be paid in advance, by the Monday at the latest. Please note that pupils cannot swap and change their academy meal options daily or weekly. Pupils will have to make a choice that will last for half a term and only at the end of that period will changes be allowed to take place. You must tell the academy office if you would like to make changes.

Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday 13th December 2017. If you would like your child to have this meal instead of their normal packed lunch you will need to complete the form and return it to the office with £2.25 by Tuesday 28th November 2017.

Please visit the website for the latest menu.

<http://arkchamberlain.org/life-school/healthy-school>

Week commencing 27th November 2017: Week 4

Dates for Your Diary

- 27th November – 1st December – Reading Workshops for Parents – Years 3 and 4
- Friday 8th December – Staff Training Day – school closed
- 11th December – Pantomime in school
- 18th December – Christmas Concert
- 19th December – Year 3 Christmas Concert
- 20th December – School finishes at 1.00 p.m.
- Thursday 21st December – Tuesday 2nd January – Christmas Holidays
- Wednesday 3rd January – Staff Training Day – School Closed
- Thursday 4th January - Pupils return to school