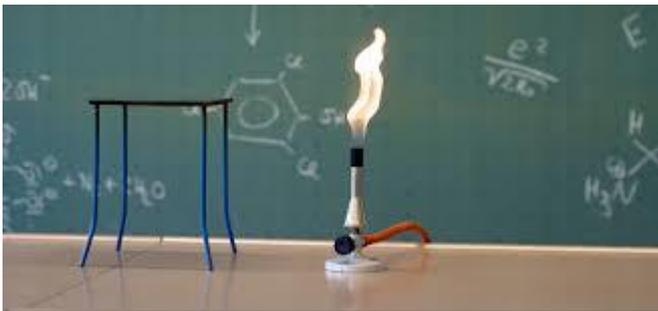




## Welcome

What a fantastic start to the term! I have been really impressed to see how hard the pupils have been working in the classrooms and it's great to see that everyone has started the year with the right attitude, knowing if they work hard they can achieve their targets this year. Pupils have been very excited to tell me all about their Science lessons with Bunsen burners and how much they are enjoying their new classes and teachers.



I really enjoyed my Principal's tea this week – I am so proud of the children who were chosen, what fantastic role models to the rest of the school.

Well done to all the pupils coming to the academy on time, looking smart and ready to learn – let's aim for 100% next week. We can do it!

**Mrs Twort – Acting Head of School**

## Contact Information

Please can parents ensure that they have provided the academy with up to date contact details.

We need an up to date address and telephone number to contact you in case of an emergency.

Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

## Meet the Teachers!

Please come along to meet your child's teacher.

All meetings will be in the hall 9.00 a.m. -9.30 a.m.

Year 3-Thursday 20th October  
Year 4- Monday 17th October  
Year 5-Wednesday 19th October  
Year 6-Tuesday 18th October

This is a great opportunity to form good links between home and the academy. During the meeting, you will be introduced to the teaching team and find out about your child's year at Ark Chamberlain. We will also be able to give you advice on the best ways to support your child at home during the upcoming year.

See you there!

## Year 5 and Year 6 P.E.

It is extremely exciting times for Year 5 in Physical Education this term. They will be learning about Olympic handball. This is one of the most rapidly growing sports in the world, and pupils have demonstrated amazing enthusiasm for the game. Pupils have been learning about passing, shooting and effective decision making this term. Pupils have also been able to describe in great detail how the skills and habits they learn in PE are useful in other areas of life.

Year 6 have made a tremendous start to their Physical Education studies at Ark Chamberlain. Pupils have shown a strong desire to improve their sporting performance, as well as gain key tactical knowledge about PE. This enthusiasm will serve them well when they go to secondary school. Before that though pupils will be learning to become brilliant basketballers. Having developed their dribbling skills and shooting three pointers, pupils will be moving onto more complicated concepts such as the three man weave. You can support your child by encouraging them to be in the academy every day and to wear their full PE kit for their P.E. lesson.

**Mr. Marks – Specialist teacher of PE**

## Academy Photographs

On **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October** the academy photographer came to visit the academy. The children looked very smart for their photographs.

Photographs will be available soon.

## Travelling Book Fair



The Travelling Book Fair will be in the academy on the 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016. The book fair will be held in the Library.

Children will be given 30 minutes to browse the fair with their classes. If they would like to purchase anything they can do so during their session and during break or lunch times.

Each child will be given a leaflet which shows a selection of books that are available at the Book Fair. The books cover a range of ages and abilities. The leaflets also have an order form on the back. Please do not throw them away. This order form can be used if items have sold out during the duration of the Book Fair. All children have to do is select the item that they would like to purchase and hand their order form and payment in to the library. The items will be given to children as soon as they arrive in school. Every book you buy will help us earn free books for our library so please come along and support us and your child's reading.

## Term Dates and Teacher Training Days

**The academy term dates are as follows:**

### Autumn term

- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2016 - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016 - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016 (last day of term)

### Spring term

- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017 (last day of term)
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017

### Summer term

- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 - Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017 (last day of term)

**Children will finish at 1:00pm on the last day of every term.**

### Teacher training days

- 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016
- 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016
- 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016
- 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017
- 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017
- 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017
- 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017