



ARK ATWOOD PRIMARY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

24th March 2017

HAVE COURAGE AND BE KIND

Remaining Diary Dates spring term

MARCH

Monday 27th

NO CLUBS this week

11.00 Spain Class Maida Vale Library

Tuesday 28th

8.45 Year 1 Phonics screen workshop for parents- Room 201

PM Year 5 Greece Rhythm Studio performance to parents

(At the rhythm studio – details to follow)

Thursday 30th

8.45 Year 4 Ghana Class assembly

11.00 Greece Class Maida Vale Library

16:00 Bake Sale in aid of Somalia

Friday 31st 14:00



School closes **next Friday at 14.00** for the Easter break. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy holiday. Enjoy your two weeks!

All of the staff at Atwood look forward to seeing you refreshed and ready for the Summer Term on:

Wednesday 19th April at 8:30am

With very best wishes,

Daniel Upfield
Headteacher

Library and book fair news



Thank you to everyone who supported the Usborne Book Fair – we raised over £1800 worth of free books which have arrived and will mostly be delivered to improve the class libraries.

We are still looking for volunteers to support our valuable school library. If you think you might be able to offer some time please speak to Fiona

Contact Details



Have you recently changed your mobile number or email address? It has come to our attention that we have out of date contact information for a number of our parents and carers. It is essential that we have your current numbers in case we need to contact you in an emergency.

Let the school office know of any changes by:

- Phone (020 7266 7070)
- Email (m.hall@arkatwoodprimary.org or s.mahoney@arkatwoodprimary.org)

Safeguarding at Atwood

Miss Rees has now taken over the role of **Designated Safeguarding Lead** for Atwood. Mr Upfield will continue to support Miss Rees with this important role as Atwood's Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead. If you have any concerns about a child please don't hesitate to speak to Miss Rees or Mr Upfield in the first instance.

A copy of our safeguarding policy can be found on our school website at:
<http://arkatwoodprimary.org/policies/safeguarding>

If ever you would like more information about our safeguarding and child protection practices please don't hesitate to ask.

Parking Pledge



Have you signed the parking pledge?
So far we've had:

79

families sign the pledge. Thank you so much for your commitment to make Amberley Road safer for your children.

However, we can do so much better! If you've yet to sign, please do so ASAP and do your bit for the school community. It really will make a difference!

If you don't have a pledge, please call in to the school office and ask for one and get it signed without delay!

DROPPING OFF/PICKING UP?
PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE
RIGHT UP TO THE SCHOOL GATE

IT'S DANGEROUS
Kids and cars don't mix well. The school is in a cul-de-sac meaning you have to manoeuvre your way out, increasing the risks of a collision with a child.

IT'S TOXIC
Air pollution level around Ark Atwood stands at 43.2 µg/m³ (legal EU limit is 40µg/m³). Traffic is a major cause. Exposure to young children has lifelong impact.

YOU VS. COMMUNITY
Your individual action worsens relations with the surrounding estate and has direct impact on the entire school community (i.e football pitch use)

NO EXCUSES
We all have to drop off/pick up and get on with our day. You are a small minority who insist on driving right up to the gate and ignore the greater good. This is unacceptable.

OTHER WAYS
Walk, bus, cycle, scoot. If you choose to drive to school, do the right thing, park somewhere else and walk the two minutes that separate you from the school gate.

RESPECT
Show respect to the school and the wider community.
Thank you

Cake Sale – Thursday 30th March @ 4:00pm

Next Thursday we are holding a cake sale at the end of the school day. Please get baking and ready to buy some of the delicious Atwood treats from our talented parent bakers!

All money raised from the cake sale will go to the Somali famine crisis. Your donations will go towards providing vulnerable children in even the most remote areas with the life-saving food and water they desperately need to survive.

Thank you to Sami's mum (Year 3, Norway) for sending us pictures of some of the charity work in action.



Wise Pay

Good News! You can now pay for the following via Wise Pay:

- Trips
- Breakfast club
- After school clubs
- Nursery fees

If you have any queries please speak to a member of the office team.



Reminder re: Birthdays

As a healthy school and due to food allergies we ask that cakes and sweets are not brought in for children's birthdays to share with the class. If you want to send something in, fruit or small non-food items are welcome. In addition, please can we ask that party invitations are handed out in the playground so as not to disrupt class time.

