



Ark Byron Primary Academy

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Upcoming Events

Year 1 start term

Wednesday 7th
September

Reception home visits

7th - 9th
September

Reception start term (staggered starts)

12th - 14th
September with
all attending
from Thursday
15th September.

Meet the teacher meetings

second week of
term (for Year
1) and third
(Reception)

ABPA welcome
drinks
22nd September

Dear Parents and Carers,

Many thanks to everyone who came to help and to cheer on the children at our Sports day on Wednesday afternoon. Please see the gallery.

Thank you to all of you for the support you have given to your children and the school this year. Ark Byron has had a wonderful start - and next year promises to be even better! We have been welcoming the new Reception children on visits this week and making plans for next term. We will share these with you at the start of the year.

Sadly we have to say a fond farewell to Mrs Day who is moving to Yorkshire and to Miss Tancred who will be teaching in south London next term. We thank them for their endeavour over this year and wish them every success in their new jobs.

Have a wonderful safe and happy holiday and we will look forward to seeing you in September ready for another exciting year at Ark Byron.

Mrs Kaplan and the Ark Byron team



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Many congratulations to Daniel, Mia, Romilly, Sebastian B, Grayce, Diego, Jake and Zooney who have been awarded certificates for 100% attendance this year.

Good attendance is very important for your child's progress in learning and full time attendance is a legal responsibility for parents. Also, schools without at least 95% attendance will not be graded "outstanding" by Ofsted, however amazing everything else is in the school. Our target is at least 96%.

Attendance today is only 90% in the school and reflects a number of children being taken on holiday early. Parents who are taking children out of school during term time must complete a form in advance (from Miss Callnon). Term time absence can only be authorized in exceptional circumstances. Ark Byron will continue to actively encourage excellent attendance.

| Class | Attendance For 2015-6 |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| Swallows | 95.97 |
| Swifts | 96.45 |
| Reception | 96.1% |

Overall the attendance was 96% for the year which is on target (but only just!).



Thank you to everyone who raised money through sponsorship of the sunflowers!

The children raised £613 which has been given to the teachers so that they can use monies to help buy something special for their classrooms ready for September. .

NOTICES

FEEDBACK OPPORTUNITY: If you have not done so already please use this link to complete the survey to help us make our school even better.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XLVGM7C>

SUMMER FAIR: A big whoosh goes to ABPA for all their endeavour at the Summer Fair. A fantastic £1,600 was raised which will mean that we can continue to provide a wide range of enrichment (such as trips) next year. Most start up schools are not in such a fortunate position and we are very lucky to have such an active parent body - thank you.

CLUBS: In Autumn 1 these will be the same as this term. Please contact the provider to sign up. If there are spaces we will organise a sign-up in the first week of term. Clubs will not start until the 12th September.

The ABPA football club will be able to take place in the Priory playground in Autumn.

We are exploring the possibility of "wrap around" care for Autumn 2. Children will be able to attend a club with structured activities up to 6pm. Please let Mrs Kaplan know by e-mail (info@arkbyron.org) if you are interested - no obligation at this stage.

CONTACT DETAILS: Miss Callnon is going to be sending out another google form next week for you to update your contact details.

Ark Byron is committed to safeguarding children.

Ark Byron staff team 2016-2017

Mrs Fiona Kaplan, Head of School
Miss Stephanie Bryan, Assistant Head and Inclusion Lead
Miss Katy Callnon, Administration

Year 1:

Miss Helena Cok, Nightingales teacher (Year 1 Lead teacher)
Miss Deepali Daya, Nightingales Teaching Assistant
Miss Rebecca Wilson, Ark Teacher Training

Mrs Ilona Stanciene, Skylarks teacher
Mrs Jolanta Sitek, Skylarks, Teaching Assistant

Reception:

Ms Gloria Ukey, Intervention teacher

Mrs Kayla Coetzer, Swifts teacher
Miss Jemma Hunt, Swifts Teaching Assistant
Ms Dawn Fraser, Special Educational Needs Teaching Assistant

Miss Hetal Wader, Swallows teacher
Mrs Kay Hill, Swallows Teaching Assistant
Ms Elaine Henry, Special Educational Needs Teaching Assistant

Ark Byron Sports Day Gallery!



