



# Ark Byron Primary Academy



## Upcoming Events

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Children in Need – come to school in your pyjamas and donate at least £2 for this good cause (we have Pudsey ears to give out in return!).

### 15<sup>th</sup> November

Citizenship week and geography awareness week

### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Trip to a Sikh temple.

### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November

International Men’s Day: Fathers, grandfathers, big brothers are invited to join the children for a “nuts and bolts of learning” during the first half hour of the day.

### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Trip to Science Museum

### 11<sup>th</sup> December

Nativity play

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

The children have come back very settled and ready for our learning about Celebrations. The home learning you have all produced is stunning and has been an excellent preparation – thank you.

There is a lot happening this half term. Please look at the upcoming events and notices so you are in the picture.

A reminder about the Ark Byron phone number - now that we have a Byron number, please use this to contact us NOT Ark Priory’s. The number is: 020 3110 0787.

*Best wishes from Mrs Kaplan and the Ark Byron team*

## ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

	COURAGE	EXPLORATION	ENDEAVOUR	EXCEL
<b>Swallows</b>	There are no certificates this week as it has been so short. However, a very big well done to all the families who worked so hard on their home learning to start our Celebrations topic. The children have been showing each other their wonderful creations. We are displaying everything in the Academy so we can fully enjoy all your hard work and will return them to you before the end of term.			
<b>Swifts</b>				

## NEXT WEEK’S LEARNING.

Next week the children will be learning about the Diwali celebration.

Children will be reading the story of Rama and Sita, acting it out and using this to inspire writing. In Maths we will be exploring zero and numbers. Children will learn about Diwali as the Festival of lights and make their own diva lamps with clay.

You will find new suggestions for additional home learning in the children’s Weekend Journals and this will also be available on the website.

## CHILDREN IN NEED

We will be wearing our pyjamas to raise money for Children in Need next Friday. Please donate at least £2 - in return we will give your child some Pudsey ears!

Children must wear underwear. No slippers or dressing gowns please as we will still be going up and down the stairs and want to avoid accidents! Please do not send children in onesies - it will make it harder to use the toilet.

## NOTICES

- **Morning drop-offs. From Monday we will be trying something new. Please come round into the main playground in the mornings. We will be lining up outside near the doors from which you usually collect children.**
- MANY THANKS to the parents who have sent us observations via Tapestry - we are very much enjoying seeing what the children are learning at home. Apologies if you were not able to access your child's Tapestry file over half term. Everything should now be working properly so, if you cannot link to Tapestry please email us as soon as possible. At the moment we have only linked the main e-mail account we have been given.
- On Friday mornings we will be having a short Celebration assembly at 8.50am in the Main Hall. If your child is to receive a certificate we will try to let you know the day before. You need to drop off your child then come round to the Hall via the main entrance.
- Our "Park school" project will start next Thursday. We are now starting up our "Forest school" at Ark Byron. Forest Schools are a way of young children learning outdoors with children going to a wooded/park area and exploring a range of activities. We are going to call this "Park school" in recognition of Byron's future home in Acton Park.  
Children will take part for one afternoon a week for a period of about six weeks. A group of 15 children to the park each Thursday afternoon for half a term. This means all the children will have a chance to enjoy this during Reception. If your child is in the first group you will have a letter/permission slip in the book bag.
- Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like to come in to read a story to the children. Please Email Miss Callnon in our Office if you want to come to join us at Friday lunch.
- This year Ark Byron and Ark Priory will be holding a joint Christmas Fair on December 11 at 3:00 pm. If anyone is interested in joining the Christmas Fair Committee, please email [abpacommittee@gmail.com](mailto:abpacommittee@gmail.com)



# We are learning about Celebrations. Can you spot the celebration in these?

