



Welcome Back

It's been lovely to welcome the children back, especially as we were welcomed by a sudden upturn in the weather. Our building is very airy and really helps us to keep cool on warm afternoons, meaning we can get on with the business of learning fully right up until the end of the day.

This term, we'll be focussing upon happiness in our assemblies. We'll be looking at how to make our environment a happier place for all and how our own behaviours can affect the happiness of both ourselves and others. During election week, beginning on Monday 4th May, we'll be talking about the election process and what it means for our country. This will build upon the work we did examining the meaning of democracy earlier in the year. It's great to see the children absorbing knowledge about these topics, preparing them for their future lives.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

This week, parents from KS2 have been meeting class teachers to discuss progress and how to work together to ensure that children are achieving their very best. It's great that parents are so supportive in making sure that every child does the very best that he or she can whilst at Ark Brunel. Also, teachers have been getting some great feedback about ways that we can all do even better for the children.

Also, thanks to all parents who have completed a parent survey either online or in paper format. Parent surveys are a really great way of letting us know what you like and what you want us to do to get better and make Ark Brunel an even better school in the future, so please do take a couple of minutes to complete one if you are attending a parent conference next week. The more replies we get, the better we will understand what parents think about the school.

Open Class Morning next Tuesday

On Tuesday, 28th April, once again we'll be opening our classroom doors to parents. From 9-10am, parents will be able to come into school, have a look around the learning environment and go into classrooms to see how learning takes place. These events have proved very popular with parents so we are glad to run them on a regular basis. This year, we are

working hard to make parents feel as welcome as possible into school and feel more engaged in the work that we do. This kind of partnership between home and school can only help the children to do even better in the future. So, if you can, please come along and see what Brunel is all about.

Easter Raffle proceeds

A big thank you to everyone that purchased a raffle ticket and/or donated eggs for our Easter raffle. We raised £280, which has enabled us to buy some exciting playground equipment. The children can now challenge each other in our new gigantic Connect 4 or demonstrate their tactical skills in our huge game of Jenga. Well done everybody!



Summer Fair June 25th 2015

Miss Davis will be holding a meeting on Friday 1st May at 9:15am in school to meet parents and share ideas about what our summer fair this year might look like. Please come along if you are interested in helping or have ideas you would like to contribute. Alternatively, see Miss Davis on the playground before or after school.

Summer term after-school clubs

Children will receive letters towards the end of next week to let them know places and other arrangements for this term's after-school clubs. We are getting some great feedback about after-school clubs in the survey we're currently running. We are always looking for ways to run more after-school clubs and will keep on trying to improve our provision.