



Attendance Reward Trips

Caxton class had a fantastic time at Bramley's for their attendance award trip. Also, Johnson Class chose a trip to Oxygen trampoline centre. Everyone had a fantastic day and went home exhausted – especially the teachers! Well done to both for their attendance last term.



Brunel Day

On Tuesday 21st February, we will be celebrating the life of Isambard Kingdom Brunel, after whom our school is named. Children will be inspired by learning about some of his marvellous achievements. Different classes will be engaging in different activities, all linked to the life of Brunel. Find out what *your* child's class is up to.



Happy Chinese New Year

Reception classes really enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year recently. We would like to wish a happy new year to all who celebrate.



If you go down to the hall today...



Nursery and Reception thoroughly enjoyed their celebration event. Each class performed a song or poem and displayed their home and school learning. The children brought their teddies from home and enjoyed a Teddy Bears' Picnic! Thank you to all the parents/carers and relatives who attended.

Ark Brunel Family Group

We are starting a new Family Group in school next month. This will be a fun, supportive weekly group for parents/carers and children. For sharing ideas, trying out activities, making friends and sorting problems. If you want to find out more, contact the school office and ask to speak to Michael Clegg-Butt about Family Group.



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Home Learning

Children from Dickens Class made excellent efforts with their Home Learning Project which was to make a Tudor house. The results were very innovative, using materials such as foam, shredded paper, gingerbread and even coffee. Well done, everyone!



Fire! Fire!

Year 1 had an amazing time at the Museum of London Fire! Fire! Exhibition. They got to walk through a version of Pudding Lane and see how the fire would have spread back in 1666. We then returned to school and burned our own Tudor houses (all under the watchful eye of Mr Curd and the staff, of course!)



Spring term attendance

Again, this half-term's attendance figures have been disappointing. The borough have issued final warning letters to some parents and have also fined some parents for their children's poor attendance. The prize for one lucky child who has 100% attendance this term is a tablet. Let's see an improvement in Spring 2.

Pobble is Now Here!

This week, Ark Brunel joined Pobble, a website showcasing children's writing around the world in 192 countries! It allows the teachers to showcase their class' work with friends, family and other children around the world immediately after work has been written. Children enjoy having their work on display, and this is the ultimate display! Many students are already very excited to see their work online and more are asking for specific pieces of writing to be shared. We have already had over 277 views of Ark Brunel's writing and we would like to add a lot more. Remember to sign your child's Pobble permission letter, or answer the Pobble email link which has been sent to you in order to get your child publishing. Happy writing everyone!



Upcoming

- Mon 20.2.17 Y3 trip to the British Museum
- Tue 21.2.17 Brunel Day
- Fri 3.3.17 Fire Brigade visiting Y2 and Y5

Have a great half-term break. We'll be open for learning again on Monday 20th February.

