



Ark Brunel

Primary Academy

Newsletter



1st April 2022

Our
Heart
Values



Honesty



Enthusiasm



Ambition



Resilience



Thought

Dear Ark Brunel Community,

It's been another fun-packed week here at Ark Brunel. On Wednesday, Ms Reynolds hosted our weekly parent workshop, informing us all about KS2 SATs, offering helpful resources, advice and support to all whom attended. The only thing left to do is practice those spellings! Due to the success and popularity of the workshops, we will continue with these each week through the summer term. Keep an eye out on the 'upcoming events' section of the newsletter to see what workshops are scheduled each Wednesday.

We continued our journey towards becoming a UNICEF recognised Rights Respecting School, which will eventually see us rewarded for our efforts. As mentioned last week, the staff and children have made a fantastic start to the journey, and it is already showing signs of helping us all to realise our rights and responsibilities, value the individualism of children and provide a sense of belonging. This week, we have seen our Rights Respecting Ambassadors finalise our 'Playground Charter' and have release their own newsletter. It's a fantastic read and we are very proud of what they have created.

Elsewhere, we've had 'Circus Skills' treat us to a memorable after-school show, Year 6 off to the Natural History Museum and we even heard the fire alarm this week! Read on to find out more about the wonderful experiences taking place. Additionally, we've continued to speak about the importance of academy uniform and its ability to unify us and improve pupil well-being. Look out for the letter this week, which will emphasise the expectations for the summer term – there are some changes.

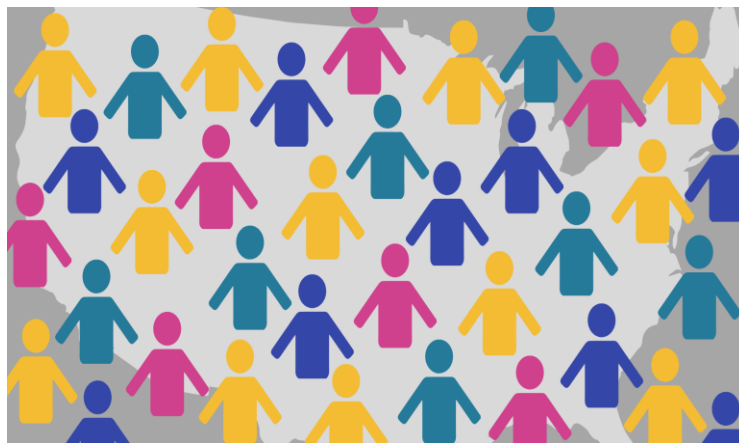
Outside of school-life, it is World Autism Acceptance Week this week. As a Rights Respecting School, we believe in non-discrimination (Article 2) and maintaining the best interests of the child (Article 3), championing the rights of all. Please search online to find out more.

Finally, I want to say a big thank you. It's been fantastic getting to know so many of you already. I truly feel a party of the Brunel community, despite it only being my third full week and I cannot wait to continue our journey together in the summer term.

I wish you all a fantastic break – let's just hope the weather improves!

Happy Easter.

Mr Scott



Y6 – Citizenship at The Natural History Museum

Year 6 enjoyed a trip at the Natural History Museum on Thursday, attending the Junior Citizenship Programme. It was run by Transport for London in conjunction from multi-agencies including the Metropolitan police, London Fire Brigade, Hope UK, and NHS Ambulance team.

The children performed a carousel of activities on topics relating to good citizenship in these and other areas, including the environment. They learned how to stay safe and what they should do in an emergency. Highlights included witnessing and reporting a crime, learning some first aid (including putting people into the recovery position while waiting for an ambulance to arrive, and gaining new respect for the police by dressing up in their gear. Year 6 were a credit to Ark Brunel and were complimented on their thoughtful and exemplary behaviour throughout the workshop. It was a lovely day.



A bit of snow couldn't stop our **Year 2** book worms from going on their trip to Queen's Park library this week. After listening to the librarian read them some stories, all the children chose their own book to take out. Why not take a page out of their books and visit your local library during the holidays?



In **Year 1** we made friendship bracelets as part of our RE unit. We looked at how to be good friends and celebrated the wonderful friends we have in our lives.

Year 5 took part in a day of educational experiences, in line with our Ark Passports. Activities included making clay vases, playing board games, discussing the UNCRC rights of the child, teambuilding tasks and, finally, making a delicious healthy snack!





This week's *Value Certificates* go to:

Buss	
Carpenter	Aayana
Caxton	Aurora
Darwin	Raphaella, Lia
Dickens	Leen, Leela-Anne
Faraday	Ellie, Jackson
Fry	Maya, Banin
Jenner	Luke
Johnson	Zion, Karim
Newton	Keynan
Pankhurst	Alex, Ayva
Seacole	Betty, Maria
Shackleton	Aliya, Ayah K.
Wilberforce	Abdalla, Arman
Wollstonecraft	Alessia, Adam O.

This week's *Mathletes* are:

Darwin	Ivy
Dickens	Tia
Faraday	Jackson
Fry	Rewan
Jenner	Polychronis
Johnson	Imran
Newton	Ibrahim Alh.
Pankhurst	Sarra
Seacole	Olivia
Shackleton	Zahra A.
Wilberforce	Mohamed M.
Wollstonecraft	Malak

Overall attendance for last week was 90.39%. Please help us to improve this low level by making sure that your child comes to school EVERY day – we are aiming to reach 96% attendance and can only achieve this if you support us.

Buss	77.7%
Carpenter	91.3%
Caxton	80.9%
Darwin	90.6%
Dickens	93%
Faraday	97.7%
Fry	88.5%
Jenner	91.4%
Johnson	95.2%
Newton	93.1%
Pankhurst	93.6%
Seacole	83%
Shackleton	94%
Wilberforce	99%
Wollstonecraft	91.6%



Tuesday 19th April:
INSET – school is closed to pupils

Wednesday 20th April:
Children return to school (to be in class by 8:55am)

Wednesday 20th April:
KS2 Parent workshop – Digital Strategy

Wednesday 27th April:
Y4 Parent workshop – Times Tables