



Ark Blacklands Primary Academy

Newsletter

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Superhero Day for Year 2

Today, children and teachers in Year 2 got to dress up as their favourite or made up superhero as part of their themed topic for this term. It has been a delight to see so many heroes walking the school corridors. Of



course, the real heroes and heroines of the day are the children and parents for their fantastic effort!



Things that make me smile...

Listening to the 'tooting' coming from the Year 3 classes enjoying their first recorder lesson!



Meet the Nurse

Parents and carers are invited to a coffee drop-in to

meet one of the school nurses on **Thursday, 21st September. The session will run from 9.30am until 10.30am.**

This is an excellent opportunity to get advice and find out how the School Health Team can help support your child. No booking necessary.

Rainforest Workshop

Curie, Pasteur and Baird classes were enthralled by the workshop this week when they learned about the Rainforests and the creatures that inhabit them. Children and adults faced their fears and showed courage when they held or stroked a snake, a stick insect, a lizard, and even a tarantula!



Greener Fingers

Mrs Rankin is really keen to make 2017-18 the year when Blacklands takes learning outdoors! Teachers are looking at their plans to see where they can make use of our wonderful outdoor environment and a small team of dedicated parent volunteers are helping to maintain and improve our school gardens.

We have big ideas... but need to enlist the help of more parents to make these ideas a reality and improve the opportunities for children to get outside more often. Huge thanks must go to Miss Winter, Mrs Knowles and Mr Bridger who have done incredible work in digging beds and getting grounds ready for planting (pictured here).



If you are keen to offer some help with trimming, digging, clearing, litter picking then please let us know. Simply drop into the office and leave your details. We would love to get a working party together as soon as possible.

Little Reminder!

The School Health Team will be coming in to carry out height and weight checks for children in Reception on Thursday 21st September and for children in Year 6 on Friday 22nd September. Parents of children in Reception and Year 6 will have received a communication from the Health Service this week. Any parent wishing to opt out of this service, please contact the Health team on 01424 728 368.