

# NEWSLETTER



**ARK Blacklands  
Primary Academy**

TERM 5 WEEK 2

22ND APRIL 2016

## School Expansion Project



This week the site manager of our building works gave a presentation to the children during assembly. Paul Mclean, the site manager, used a slide show to talk the children through the school expansion project and some aspects of a builder's job. The children showed great interest and asked lots of very good questions.

Later in the week an extremely long vehicle arrived and delivered a very big crane, which generated lots of excitement.



**Things that  
make me  
happy...**



Being presented with a lovely, yummy biscuit by pupils from Year 3.

**Art  
Exhibition**



Don't forget to mark your diaries for the second of our art exhibitions, where we will be displaying the work of our Key Stage 2 Children. The exhibition will be held on:

**Wednesday 18th May  
3pm to 5.30pm**

We do hope you will be able to come and view the children's work, where you will have an opportunity to purchase your child's framed artwork.

**Keeping up with the  
Children's Maths**

We are very pleased to be able to offer a free, 5-week course for parents and carers to help you support your child's numeracy development. You will discover the current methods used to teach children maths and learn some fun maths activities to use at home. The course, which will be given by GRH Training, will be held on Tuesdays, 9.00am to 11.00am, starting June 7th for 5 weeks.

Please contact Mrs Bolton for further information.

## Year 5 Astrodome Visit



On Tuesday afternoon, year 5 took part in an astronomy presentation in an astrodome. They learnt about night and day, seasons and how to find the North Star. They then moved on to some NASA footage showing the first moon landing, having an explanation of each planet as they went by. Each child received a certificate following the presentation.

## Year 3 Swimming

The children in Year 3 began their swimming lessons at Summerfields sports centre last week. The children were very excited and look forward to developing their swimming skills and knowledge of water safety over the next 13 weeks. Thank you to all our parents who have volunteered to help with swimming classes. Parents who would like to help, please do call in at the office for details.

For parents who have not yet paid, please can this be done by next Wednesday latest. Thank you.

## Happy 90th Birthday, Ma'am



In celebration of the Queen's 90th birthday, the children in year 3 **Curie** enjoyed decorating crown shaped biscuits and learning a little bit about the Monarchy. The biscuits, baked by Mrs Parker, looked and tasted delicious.



**Pizza Express:** The children from Year 4 will be going on an educational visit to Pizza Express in Eastbourne as part of their 'Healthy Eating' study. The first visit, for Archimedes class, is next Wednesday. Please may we remind parents that payment must be received no later than Monday, 25th April. Thank you.



### Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 19 April.....	Yr 5 Astrodome visit
Wednesday 27 April.....	Pizza Express visit (4PH)
9-13 May.....	SATs Week
Wednesday 18 May, 3pm-5.30pm.....	KS2 Art Exhibition
Wednesday 18 May.....	Pizza Express visit (4DM)

### School Shoes

Please may we remind parents that children's school shoes must be black with flat, hard soles and closed toes. No trainers or boots are permitted. Thank you.

