

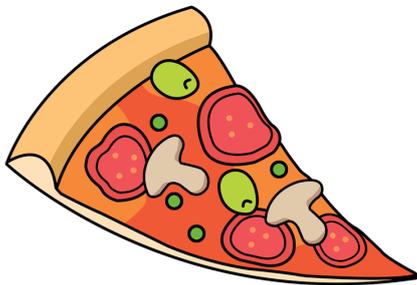
NEWSLETTER



**ARK Blacklands
Primary Academy**

TERM 5, WEEK 5

15TH MAY 2015



Summer Pizza Spectacular

Thursday 21st May is our school census day. Our funding for next year is based on the number of pupils in KS1, and those in KS2 entitled to free school meals, who eat school dinner on that one day.

To encourage your child to eat a school dinner on Thursday we are having a special Summer Pizza Spectacular, where children will have a choice of pizza, herby diced potatoes, sweetcorn and salads. There is also ice cream for pudding or a choice of fruit or yoghurt pots.

The more children that eat dinner that day, the more money the school receives in funding for next year. Don't forget, all EYFS and KS1 pupils are entitled to a free school meal.



Things that make me smile...



Our fantastic Year 6 pupils who have had an amazing week during their SATs. They are an impressive group of young people!



Why pay to provide a packed lunch when we provide the food for free!



**'Phil'
the Bag™**

Thank you to everybody who donated their unwanted clothing to charity through Phil the Bag. They are passionate about sustainability and aim to lead the way in tackling textile waste as well as inspire, engage and support schools to improve the impact they have on society through fundraising from textile and clothing recycling.

At least 75% of textiles we throw away are recyclable, however we only recycle around 25% and textiles still make up 12% of landfill sites. Phil the Bag's main aim is to increase textile and clothing recycling to reduce landfill and offer a financial reward to those participating in their project.

Next week is national Walk to School Week. Please try to walk to school, or part of the way, each day next week. Walking will save money on petrol as well as improve your health and the environment.

Mr Bacon is raising money for the Stroke Association by walking to school each day. If you would like to sponsor him, please leave donations at the office.

Parent Workshop

Developing Good Language Skills

9am

Wednesday 20th May

Clare Wilson, ARK Schools Early Language and Communication Advisor, will be delivering a parent workshop next month.

Clare will talk about how children learn to talk and what you can do at home to help your children develop good language skills. You will also have the chance to practise some of the strategies discussed.

Breakfast & After - School Club

Due to popular demand we are reaching capacity on the number of pupils we can accept into our breakfast and after-school club.

Therefore, all bookings and payments must now be made in advance. This is to ensure we have the right number of adults supervising for the number of pupils attending.



Booking forms are available from the academy office.

KEY DATES

May

20th Parent Workshop
22nd Break for half term

June

1st Return to school
12th PGL
20th FAB Summer Fete
26th INSET