



Ark Blacklands Primary Academy

Newsletter

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Year One had an exciting start to the term with a visit from some owls. We met Rusty, an African Barn Owl, Thor, an English Barn Owl, Tiny, a Little Owl, Amber, a European Eagle Owl and Whistler, a Canadian Great Horned Owl.



Following the visit, the children are so excited to learn all about owls this term! We have already enjoyed reading 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark' and used charcoal to sketch some owl feathers.

Things that make me proud...



Seeing how smart the children looked today as they lined up for their photographs!

FAB Fireworks & BBQ Event

We hope you will all join us for our annual Firework Event tomorrow:

Saturday 3rd November

Gates open at 6pm, entry is £2 per child and £3 per adult. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

We look forward to seeing you there...



Ark Blacklands Open Days

We would like to welcome all prospective parents to come along to one of our Open Days taking place next week. Parents will get to enjoy a tour of the school and a presentation from our Head, Mrs Rankin. There will also be plenty of opportunities to ask questions.

Booking is not necessary, we simply ask that parents arrive on time for one of the following sessions: Tuesday 6th at 9.30am, Wednesday 7th at 9.30am or Thursday 8th at 1.30pm.

Brrr! Winter is Here!

Now that the weather is getting colder and wetter, please can we ask parents to send children to school with a warm coat. The Academy's policy is to encourage children onto the playground as much as possible for fresh air and exercise, providing they are dressed appropriately for the weather.



The Royal British Legion

For parents and pupils wishing to support the Poppy Appeal, we are pleased to announce that poppies are now on sale at the Reception Desk.



EYFS P.E.

This term our Reception children began their PE lessons with huge enthusiasm.

However, getting dressed afterwards proved a tiny bit challenging as many PE kits were unnamed! Please may we ask parents to check that all items of their child's kit are clearly named so we can avoid any mix ups in garments.

Thank you.



Dates for the Diary

- 6-8 Nov.....Prospective Parents Open Days
- Thurs 8 Nov.....Year 2 trip to Drusillas
- Wed 14 Nov.....EYFS trip to St Helens Woods
- Fri 16 Nov.....Children in Need Bake Sale
- Fri 23 Nov.....FAB Mufti Day
- Sat 1 Dec.....FAB Festive Fair
- Tues 4 Dec.....Year 3 visit to Michelham Priory
- Mon 17 Dec.....FAB Panto—A Christmas Carol

Little Reminder

Due to the Academy Open Days taking place next week, the Reception classes have postponed their trip to St Helens Woods. This will now take place on Wednesday 14th November. Could parents who had offered to help out, please let the teacher know if you are still available to help on the 14th November. Thank you