



# Ark Ayrton Primary & Nursery Newsletter

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## A message from the Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was great to see so many of you at our parent meetings this week—it was so evident how much you care about your children and want to do the best by them, which was just lovely to see.

Thank you for bearing with us last week, as we established our entry and exit routines. I know the closure of the walkway was disruptive. In the coming weeks, this walkway will be closed again—we are having a new boiler installed and the engineers for Health and Safety reasons, need to corner it off. I will let you know via text when it will be shut off and you can cut through the school again.

We have had a very busy week at Ayrton, launching our new timetable for the year. As you know, we value our wider curriculum and therefore this year we have ensured that non core subjects such as computing, art and history are taught first thing in the morning on some days, so that if you are a child who loves art, how amazing that you get to start your day with something that you love!

Our amazing new science and technology room, dance and drama studio and library are nearing completion! We are so excited to be able to provide our children with specific areas for them to learn in. Once we have officially opened the new areas, we will be working closely with parents, so that you can all benefit from the spaces too.

We also had Sophie's Legacy into school this week to collect the money we raised for Mrs Parish. They took £317. It is a great charity and Mrs Parish would have wanted the money to go there.

Don't forget that we are closed in both the Nursery and School on Monday, due to the Queen's funeral.

Have a wonderful weekend and see you all on Tuesday at 8.40!

Kind regards, Mrs Bennett-Acres and Team Ayrton

## Attendance

This weeks attendance was 96%. The best attendance was 99% for St Ives.

**Please remember that school starts at 8.45 and that you need to collect your child at 3.30.**

## PE Kit

White polo    Black/Grey bottoms & jumper    Trainers



## What's going on next week?

**Monday 19th—Nursery and School closed due to the Queen's funeral**

**Thursday 22nd—Flu nurses in the Office area between 2-4pm to help you register your children for the Flu vaccine if you need some help**



**Friday 23rd—Coffee afternoon—come and meet the Senior Leadership Team—3pm in the Hall**





### **News Mrs Ayrton in Nursery**

Another great week in the nursery – so lovely to see all our new friends settling and starting to make friends whilst joining in with activities. The children across the nursery have really enjoyed looking at themselves in the mirror and creating their own mini ‘Frida Kahlo’ style self-portraits. Startpoint have been introducing Jazz music to the children, Hartland point have dug up their home grown potatoes, cooked and mashed them and Whitby have been making crowns and have especially enjoyed listening to Goldilocks and the Three Bears.



### **News Mrs Scarsbrook in Reception**

It has been a lovely week with our Reception children. The children have stayed for two full mornings, and have been exploring both the classroom and the outdoor environment! It has been lovely to watch the children discover their new learning space and making new friends. We are excited to continue their learning journey over the weeks to come. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and we will see you all at 8.45am to 2pm on Tuesday.

### **News from Mrs Serjent in Years One and Two**



This week in Year 1 the children have been practising their sentence writing, based on traditional tales such as Little Red Riding Hood. We have also been practising counting, writing and representing numbers 1-10. Our Horizons unit is Toys, so this week the children have identified their favourite toy that they have at home and drawn a picture of it.

This week in Year 2 the children have been learning about the features of instructions and have started to write their own. They have also been partitioning 2digit numbers into tens and ones. In their Horizons learning they have been learning all about who Guy Fawkes was. It was lovely to see so many of you on Monday at our first parent meeting of the year. Thank you so much for giving up your time to see how you can support your children with their learning at home.



### **News from Mrs Predeth in Years Three and Four**

This week in year 3 and 4, it has been lovely to see the children so engaged and settled back into their learning. All the children have started their new topics, Whole class reading books and participated in phonics. Thank you for those parents who managed to make it to the parent meeting it was lovely to see you! If you couldn't make it feel free to see me anytime!



### **News from Miss Robinson in Years Five and Six**

Hello! It was great to see so many of you this week at our Year 5 and 6 parent meeting, thank you all for coming. We've had a great start to the term and been very busy with all of our learning. On Tuesday, our U11s boys' football team took part in a tournament and won the plate trophy. Congratulations to them, we're super proud!



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## Safeguarding at Ayrton

All adults at Ayrton are responsible for keeping our children safe. However, if you have any specific concerns or want to talk to the safeguarding team, these are the contact details you need for the school:

Mrs Bennett Acres



Mandy



Mrs Truscott



Mrs Fenton



Judy



Issie



In the Nursery:

Julie



Kimberley



Amanda



Gemma



Paige



A copy of our safeguarding policy can be found on our website under poliiciies or please click on the link below [www.ayrtonprimary.org/our-policies](http://www.ayrtonprimary.org/our-policies)

## Home Reading

All children will be taking home a home reading record next week alongside their home reading book to record in. We are encouraging children to read 3 times a week and record this in their reading record. These will be checked weekly and your child will receive a raffle ticket for a half termly draw. Prizes and certificates will be given our half termly for home reading. Please speak to Mrs Tuck if you have any questions!

## Digital Devices

Before the Summer holidays, we appointed Mrs Down to our Middle Leadership Team as our Digital Strategy Lead and Visits Coordinator. She will be in contact with some of you shortly about our home learning laptops! Please take up our offer of a laptop!



## Food Bank Vouchers

If anyone requires a food bank voucher, please do contact Mrs Bennett-Acres in Mandy's absence. If you do need any support with uniform, food vouchers or anything in general, please know that this matter will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence. We are here to help and support you.



**Our school website has details of term dates, dinner menus and lots of other information. Please do have a look, when you have some time!**



We raised £317 in memory of Mrs Parish on our 'Yellow Day' and today presented this to the charity.

Sophie's Legacy is a charity in memory of a little girl called Sophie who was diagnosed with cancer. Sadly she lost her battle with cancer and her legacy lives on through the charity to support children and families who are dealing with cancer.

This was a charity close to Mrs Parish's heart and I know she would have loved the fact that we have given the donations to them.

