



Importance of Attendance

At Ark John Keats, we want all scholars to have the best possible attendance at school to enable each and every child to reach their full potential. Research has shown that there is a strong link between good school attendance, making progress in various areas of learning and achieving good results. Scholars who frequently miss school will definitely fall behind in their academic work and building relationships which will affect their future prospects. Some might think that this is not important when children are younger, but these are the years where they build a strong foundation in their education, social skills and emotional well being. Especially after the prolonged period out of school, it is even more important for our scholars to catch up and get on track with their learning and being part of our school community.

Parent and Carer responsibility:

If your child is between 5 and 16 years old and is a registered pupil at a school, it is your legal responsibility to make sure that your child has a suitable education through regular school attendance.

Parental support is critical in ensuring that children achieve in education, and support and guidance is always available from our school. We know that we need to work together with parents/carers to support our scholars to attend school and to be successful. We want all parents/carers to help their children by making sure they attend school every day and arrive on time. Doing this will ensure that your child feels confident, up to date with learning, and up to date with their circle of friends.

Attendance Competition:

We understand that our scholars might be unwell and need to then recuperate at home. We do want to encourage parents and carers to send your child to school unless they are really unwell. We have many exciting things in store for those scholars that are brave and come into school every day, even if they have slight sniffles. I heard Mr David mention something about scooters and a lucky draw!! All scholars that attended school every day from the 8th March—1st April will be in this lucky draw! Who knows if Mr David might buy more scooters for those who attend school every day from the 20th April—28th May... Attendance scooter winners to be announced first week back!

This Week's Attendance Winners!

EYFS

1st: Bond—96.20%
2nd: Gray—94.20%
3rd: Sharratt—91.60%
4th: Murphy—90.40%
5th: McKee—88.50%

KS 1

1st: Seuss—98.30%
2nd: Donaldson—97.50%
3rd: Harrison—97.10%
4th: Hughes—95.80%
5th: Ahlberg—92.90%
6th: Dahl—77.90%

KS 2

1st: Zephaniah—98.30%
2nd: Al-Kashi—97.90%
3rd: Somerville—97.10%
4th: Darwin—95%
5th: Bose—94.60%
6th: Latimer—94.40%
7th: Carroll—94.20%
8th: Blackman—93.70%
9th: Hubble—93.30%
10th: Potter—92.90%
11th: Jemison—88.30%



***Well done Bond, Seuss &
Zephaniah Class!***



Parent Meetings Please Read Carefully!

The school will close early on **26th April & 29th April** for teachers to have the opportunity to meet with parents through Microsoft Teams. These meetings will be arranged soon and you will receive an invite through the email account we have for you on our system. Make sure that you check your email account and junk mail for an email from AJK. On the dates mentioned above, scholars will need to be collected at their usual collection gates between **13:00-13:15** on both these days in order for parents and teachers to meet virtually. **The Nursery will however remain open for both the morning and afternoon sessions on the 26th April as well as the 29th April, and will have their normal collection times.**

Important Reminders

First Day of Summer Term:

20th April

Sibling drop off

Children need to bring a book to read/paper and pen to write/ draw with so they have something to do during this time.



!!!Homework Champions!!!

There has been some great homework this week in Years 2-6. Remember that we're aiming for 5 minutes of practice each day on DoodleMaths, DoodleEnglish, DoodleSpell and TT Rockstars (Years 3-6 only)! Please make sure that you have read the email sent earlier this week about changes to our homework rewards and consequences.

This week, our top classes for homework are:

DoodleMaths: Latimer

DoodleEnglish: Carroll

DoodleSpell: Carroll

TT Rockstars: Somerville

Well done! Who will manage to beat them next week?! We've also had some amazing individual efforts this week. The scholars below have earned the most stars on DoodleEnglish. Al-Kashi: **Muhammad**; Blackman: **Anjelika**; Bose: **Adnan**; Carroll – **Briana**; Dahl – **Guney**; Darwin – **Jada**; Harrison – **Lubna**; Hubble – **Darcie**; Hughes – **Karnel**; Jemison – **Sahil**; Latimer – **A'sharee**; Potter – **Delia**; Somerville – **May**; Zephaniah – **Shanae**

School Summer Uniform

Children will be expected to wear the correct uniform after the Easter holiday. As summer approaches all Scholars will be allowed to wear their summer uniforms after the Easter holiday.

This is a reminder of our summer uniform:

Summer Uniform:

- Light blue school shirt with buttons and a collar.
- Navy shorts; navy skirts or a navy pinafore (no summer dresses).
- Blue or black socks (no white/multicoloured socks).
- Black school shoes (no trainers or boots)
- Jumper (with or without sleeves) and a school blazer.
- School Tie
- Navy, Fuchsia or black hair accessories (long hair must be tied back)
- Summer P.E Kit:**
- Blue P.E shorts and a white collared P.E shirt with the school logo. Plimsols or black trainers.

Click here to see photos of our uniform:

<https://arkjohnkeats.org/sites/default/files/Uniform.pdf>

