

ARNESBY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

October 13th 2023



As we watch the trees change colour and the leaves fall, we reflect on what else has happened in school this half term. The children have been busy preparing for the Dance Festival, presenting their work in the first sharing assembly of this academic year and have sold cakes to raise money for the PTA, as well as all being film stars! Well done to all the children who have worked so hard this half term and have enjoyed their learning. Next half term, the focus will be on reading to ensure all children are reading and enjoying books as much as they can, which will help their writing and vocabulary. In the meantime, enjoy the half term break to recharge and refresh ready for the next exciting half term.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Cake sale

Thank you to everyone who both donated and bought cakes. We raised over £100!

Sharing assembly

The next sharing assembly is Endurance Class on Wednesday 1st November

RE trip

**Trip to the Mosque to show the children all they have learnt in class this half term in line with learning about life in modern Britain
Tuesday 24th October**

Look out for pyjama day when we all read books and share stories in our pyjamas!

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven" Ecclesiastes 3:1

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IMPORTANT School Information



Breakfast Club

8am—8.35am

each day

I am looking into the provision of breakfast and afterschool clubs and how we can improve our offer. Therefore, from the start of the new half term (Monday 23rd October), **all Breakfast Club places will need to be booked with school in advance please.**

If you need a breakfast club place for your child please ensure that you have **booked this by 3.00pm the day before or the Friday** before the following Monday. Registers will be generated at 3pm ready for the next morning so that we can cater for the children appropriately.

Please note that if children are not booked in using the school system they cannot attend the club, this is to ensure that our safeguarding procedures are adhered to and the school systems can measure its effectiveness.

Please book using the [My child at school](#) booking system and you will need to pay at the time of booking.

If you have booked and then do not use the booking you will still be charged. If your child is ill then please email the office for a refund.

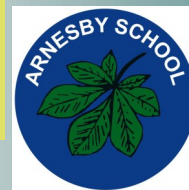
In an emergency if the school has to cancel the breakfast club we will let parents know as soon as possible by phone and/or class dojo.



Afterschool club offer and booking is also being reviewed and an update will follow in a future newsletter.

Mrs James

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

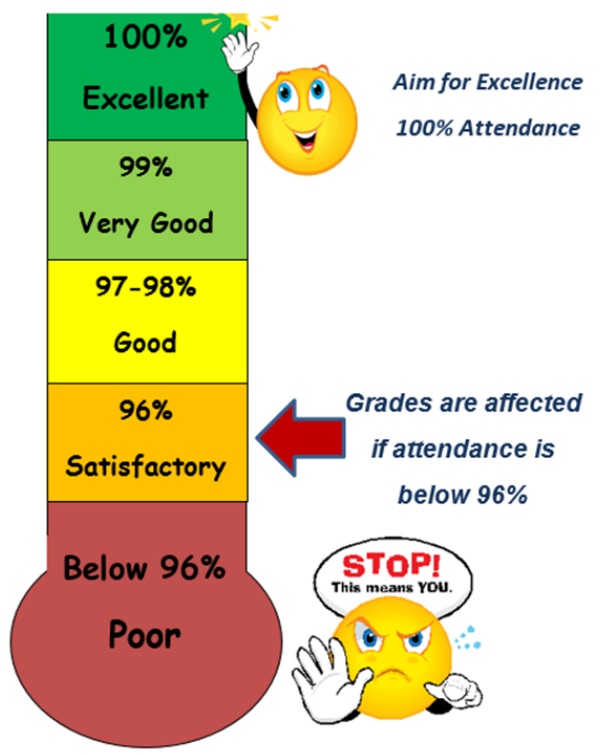


At Arnesby School attendance is one of our areas for improvement and as such is a priority.

We must have a high level of attendance across the school to ensure that all children are given the best education possible.

Please support us in getting your children in school everyday and on time.

It is vital that children are in school every day to maximise their potential.



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School attendance since the beginning of term is: 95.1%
which is below our expectation and target.

Once again a special shout out to year 2 for achieving 99.4%
this half term.

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Children arriving after 8.45 will be marked as late and MUST go directly to the school office for sign in NOT to the class as learning will have started.

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What's been happening in school?



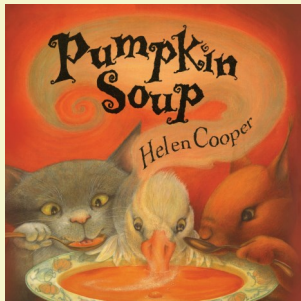
Peace Class—shining in art this week!



Peace class have had a busy half term learning about colour mixing and how to make secondary colours using watercolours.



They have been very precise in their painting and produced some really interesting combinations of colours and patterns and were eager to talk about their learning.



Reception children have used their learning about the book Pumpkin soup to create a painting using primary colours.



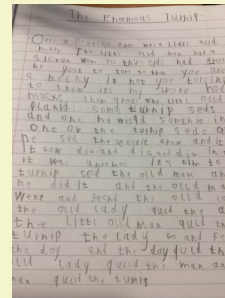
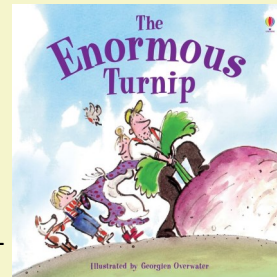
Peace class have been learning about more Autumn vegetables and the story of the Enormous Turnip this week .



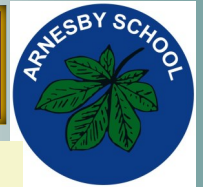
Well done Peace Class!



Children have been buying and selling fruit and vegetables in their farmers market stall. And writing some great stories about the enormous turnip too!



What's been happening in school?



Courage Class showed us how every child can shine in their learning.



Well done to Courage Class who were wonderful in the first sharing assembly of this academic year. They showed us what they had learnt in Science and how different foods had more or less fat than others and how we could be healthy by looking at the different food groups.



We learnt about function machines in maths and had a go ourselves! The characters from Stone Age Boy story showed us how much



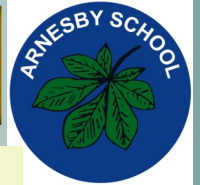
the children have learnt from the story about this time in history, including the three stages of the Stone Age era.



They wowed the audience with the Spanish song (about colours) along with actions and props. A thoughtful prayer helped us to think of how we are learning and growing together.

Well done Courage Class !





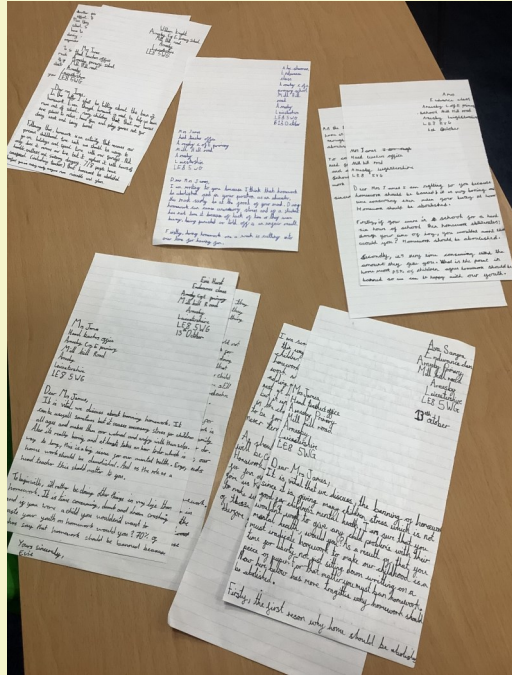
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Endurance Class

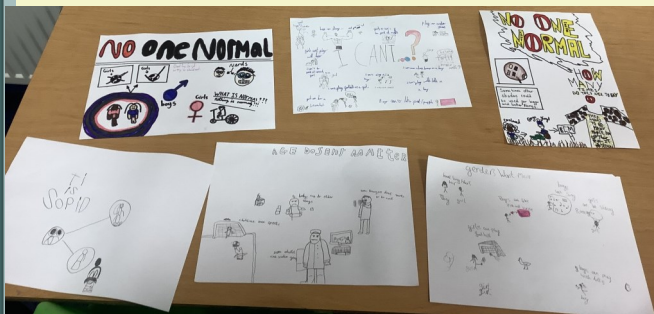
Shining in writing!

Endurance Class have been working incredibly hard over the last six weeks and I could not possibly be more proud of them. We have finished our persuasive letters - fully planned, written, edited and perfected. Hopefully now we can use their newfound powers for good rather than evil in this respect.

Maths has seen us deepen our understanding of multiplication and division as well as begin our investigations into mathematical order of operations - something everyone will be overwhelmingly enthusiastic to return to after half



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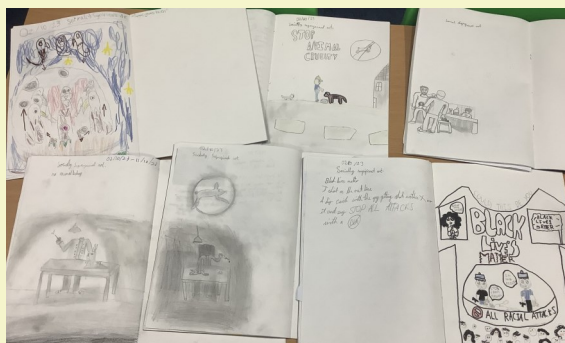
term!

PSHE has seen us looking at the potential harm caused by relying too heavily on stereotypes when dealing with other people and Endurance Class has worked hard to produce posters

to challenge the harm that these ideas can cause.

In Music we have been investigating Pharell Williams' hit Happy, learning about its artistic ancestry as well as learning how to sing it in harmony as well.

Art has seen us reach the end of our unit of work on Trailblazers and Barrier breakers - looking at socially significant artwork of our own.



With history we have been focussing more closely on the role of European powers in the transatlantic slave trade and thinking very carefully and maturely about the impact this has had on the world at large. And in RE we draw to the conclusion of our unit on Islam with a discussion on the role of the Mosque in Muslim communities in the UK.

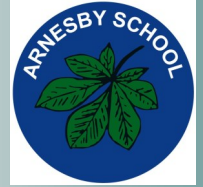
Well done Endurance Class!

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What's been happening outside school?



Dance Festival

Everyone shining in the spotlights!

Arnesby participated in their 29th Dance Festival this week and the children of Courage and Endurance Classes gave us performances to be remembered!

The theme of this year was Around the World in 60 minutes and in true Arnesby style we embraced the alternative option and chose Narnia as our country.

After an emotional farewell at the station, four children went on an exciting adventure to a frosty and magical land where they defeated the White Witch to protect their loyal Lion, Aslan.

We are so proud of everyone who took part this year. Our children worked so hard and fully engaged in the rehearsals and performances. Children showed great teamwork by supporting each other, overcoming their nerves to show great resilience. Well done to our year 3 pupils who made their dancing debut this year.

As always these events need a lot of preparation and organisation and we would like to thank Mrs Debbie Hartley for her wonderful choreography, Mrs for help with the superb costumes, Mrs Mitchell D'Arcy for organising the trip, staff helpers and all the parent helpers who gave their time (and make-up skills) to ensure that this was a wonderful experience for the children at Arnesby School. Well done, such a great example of our caring and supportive community.



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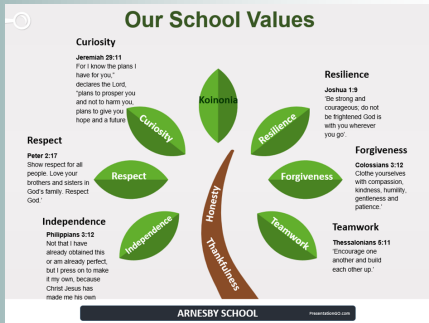
Vision and values



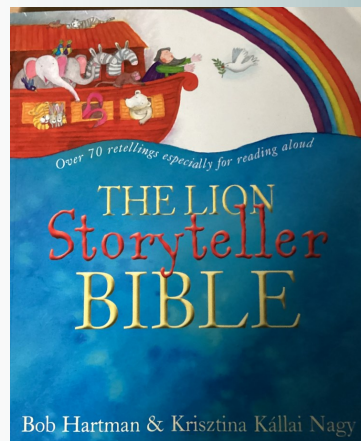
"Where every child shines"

Our Vision:

It is an important part of our school ethos and reminds us of the importance of our actions. Our actions allow us to let our light shine. Our actions allow us to share the light of Jesus with those around us.



Our school values help us to support our vision to give the best possible holistic education to the children at Arnesby School.



In Worship we have just started to work our way through the Storyteller Bible and learn about the chronology of key stories in the Bible.

These stories are very interactive with actions and sounds and are great fun! We reflect on how these stories fit in with our values and how we can apply this to life today.

READY

- Wear correct and smart uniform at all times
- Attend all lessons on time
- Be ready to learn with the correct equipment and a positive attitude
- Show a determination to do your best
- Persevere to be the best you can be

RESPECTFUL

- Always sit where you are asked to sit
- Listen carefully when a teacher or another pupil is talking
- Speak respectfully to your peers and adults in the school
- Always use good manners and be kind to others at all times
- Keep the school tidy and litter free

SAFE

- Walk sensibly in school
- Do all you can to promote equality and fairness
- Act as a positive role model to others
- Keep you hands and feet to yourself
- Think before you speak

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

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Information



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FRIENDS OF ARNESBY PRESENT:

ARNESBY PRIMARY SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT



THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

17:00 – 19:00

ARNESBY VILLAGE HALL

£8.00 PER TICKET

TICKET INCLUDES: PIZZA,
DRINKS, POPCORN AND
SWEETS

TICKETS ON SALE AFTER
OCTOBER HALF TERM

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ◆ Saturday 25th November **Christmas Craft Afternoon** 2pm-4.30pm in the Village Hall
- ◆ Thursday 15th December **Bottle Tombola** 3.15-4pm in the Learning Lodge

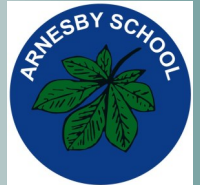
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Keeping Children Safe



At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.

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1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online; listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.



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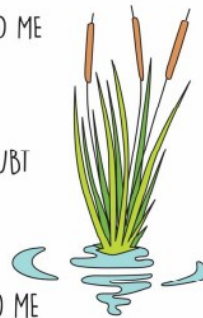


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Outdoor Activities for Mindfulness

www.thepathway2success.com

- Gardening
- Taking a Walk
- Blowing Bubbles
- Watching Wildlife
- Watching Clouds
- Going on a Scavenger Hunt
- Mindful Breathing
- Drawing with Sidewalk Chalk
- Reading Under a Tree
- Walking Barefoot

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