

ARNESBY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

March 22nd 2024



As the Spring term draws to a close, I would like to thank all the children at Arnesby School for working so hard this term. It seems a long time since Christmas and you have all progressed cheerfully and well. We have lots planned for the Summer term including another Sports Day and so much learning and fun to look forward to.

I would also like to give a special thanks to the School Council for their work this term in getting ideas from their classmates so that we can run some events such as Board Games Night and Animal Day—keep up the good work!

I now hope that everyone has a well earned rest over the holidays and is fully recharged when we are back on Monday 8th April (KS2 with swimming costumes).

Do remember to check out our social media and pass on our good news stories to others to spread the word about **Arnesby School—A small school with a big heart!**



Have a very happy Easter

Mrs James

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

*Visits in school for prospective parents
Please book an appointment with the school office.*

Friday 12th April

***Air Ambulance service assembly.
WEAR SOMETHING YELLOW & £1 donation***

Animal Day Tuesday 16th April

Please let the school office know if you have any animals you would be able to bring into school to show the children. We are creating a timetable to ensure animals are not stressed.

URGENT—Monday 8th April

KS2 Swimming lessons starts. This is a change from it being scheduled for a Friday. The pool had double booked the time slot and we are now scheduled for Monday afternoons. Please ensure children have the correct clothes and equipment for the day.

Matthew

Jesus as the King

Mark

Jesus as a servant

Luke

Jesus as the saviour

John

Jesus as God

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SPRING TERM

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End of school:3.15pm

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Birmingham Sealife Centre



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On Tuesday 19th March we all had a wonderful trip to the Sealife Centre which has enriched this term's learning and has given us some good ideas to explore to be Courageous Advocates and agents of change in school by looking after our Oceans and the world around us.

When asked what were their favourite parts of the day, the children said:

"The glass tunnel was probably my favourite because of the sharks, they were so energetic!" Morgan

"I liked seeing the penguins from all different angles like above the water and on the ice and below the water" James

"Spotting all the jellyfish"

"I really enjoyed looking at the otters and I loved the huge tunnel" Emily

I liked to see the fish I've never seen before" Alec

I enjoyed when the archer fish were spitting at the target. I enjoyed seeing jellyfish, sharks and stingrays"



"Being In the tunnel and seeing the fish all around me"
Ava

"Seeing the turtle swim."



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

School attendance since the beginning of term is: 93%

Please help us by getting children into school everyday.

A special shout out to year 1 who are at 98% attendance

Well done!

5 children have had 100% attendance over the last two terms!

Well done! (You know who you are!)

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Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 Days off school	100%	perfection!
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	EXcellent!
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned

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Children arriving after 8.45am 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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Section 1

Autism – The Differences



Differences in communication and behaviour

Some autistic people find using words difficult.



Differences in thinking and understanding

Some autistic people get upset by changes to their daily routine.



Differences in senses

Some autistic people get overwhelmed by loud noises, strong smells or bright lights.



Section 1

Making friends at school

We know that difference is great, but sometimes it can be hard when you think differently.

It can make you worried about making friends.



It can be hard if you don't like the same things as other people.

It can make you feel like no-one wants to play with you.



Section 2

How can we be better classmates?



How can we be kind to one another?



How can we support each other?



How can we support our autistic classmates?



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Keeping Children Safe



In preparation for any warmer weather or time outside in cold weather , bicycle safety is important.

If your child wants to use their bike at home or travel to school by bicycle, make sure that they can be seen easily.



Here are a few tips to help:

Always wear bright-coloured or reflective clothing. Loose-fitting clothing should be avoided (it could get caught in wheel spokes) and sturdy, closed-toe shoes.

Don't ride when it's dark but if your child rides at dawn or dusk, make sure they use reflectors and lights.

Ensure your child has safe

control of the bicycle. Both hands should be kept on the bike's handlebars.

Books and other items should be carried in a backpack.

Make sure your child can hear oncoming traffic. Children should be supervised in their journey to school and be able to store their bike safely

in the bike shelter.



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Easter in the countryside



In school we have been thinking about God’s wonderful world and how we can protect the seas and oceans and the countryside around us.

We are enjoying our litter picking and realise that although this is only a small action it is helpful in keeping our environment healthy.

With animal day coming up in the Summer term we will be learning more about domestic and farm animals which we might spot whilst out walking over the Easter break.






The Countryside Code

Respect other people

- Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors
- Park carefully so access to gateways and driveways are clear
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Follow paths but give way to others where it’s narrow

Protect the natural environment

- Leave no trace of your visit, take all your litter home
- Don’t have BBQs or fires
- Keep dogs under effective control
- Dog poo - bag it and bin it

Enjoy the outdoors

- Plan ahead, check what facilities are open, be prepared
- Follow advice and local signs and obey social distancing measures



Enjoy,
be safe



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