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'Children at the heart; Inspiring futures'

Friday 11th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have experienced the introduction of our magnetic lock gates this week and thank you for your understanding in working with us through some initial teething problems. The gates will be 'open' each morning and end of the school day to allow free access on and off site at these key times. They will then be 'locked' throughout the day and parents, carers, visitors will use the intercom system linked to the office to request access. Arrangements have been made for free access at the end of the morning session in nursery and the start of the afternoon session.

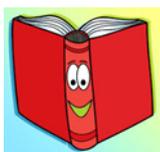
World Book Day Reading Challenge



WELL DONE to everyone who took part in our fundraising World Book Day reading challenge and THANK YOU to everyone who brought sponsorship money into school. We are absolutely thrilled to announce that YOU have contributed over **£3400**. This money will be used to develop our library and reading provision in school and we are so very grateful for this.

ALL children who fundraised were entered into a prize draw to win a mystery World Book day prize! The lucky winners were Harry C, Charlie R, Ruby S and Noah R.

Book Fair



Thank you to everyone who visited the Book Fair. We hope you are pleased with your purchases and we were thrilled to see so many children and families enjoying books. You also helped to raise **£925.86** for school so we can further develop our reading offer through school.

Picture News

Picture News is a resource we use to provide our children with opportunities to learn from the world around us. We look at and discuss a current issue and question that is linked to the news. This helps to open up the world for the children and broaden their interests so that they can make more informed decisions.

This week's issue is shown on the poster below. We would encourage you to talk about this at home with the children. There are no right or wrong answers, it is an opportunity to discuss opinions together.



Red Nose Day 

Next Friday 18th we will be celebrating Red Nose Day. Pupils are invited to come to school wearing red clothes or dressed as a super hero to support this year’s theme. We are going to undertake an endurance challenge throughout the day where the whole school will relay the challenge of keeping a parachute up off the ground all day! We will be super heroes!! If you would like to make a donation to this worthwhile charity, please click on the following link to be taken to the Red Nose Day donation page [Donate | Comic Relief](#).

Dogs

Please can we politely remind everyone that dogs are not permitted on the school site. This also includes them being carried in arms. Thank you for co-operation with this.

Monday 21st March

Children will be invited to come to school wearing **blue** and **yellow** on this day to develop and show understanding of the difficulties Ukraine are currently experiencing.



We have teamed up with Masterclass Education who are delivering essential items to the Ukrainian refugees. As it is winter and desperately cold, they are asking for people to donate any old clothing, blankets, bedding etc.

If anyone has any of these items and would like to donate, please do bring them to school and we will arrange collection. Anything you may have spare will be useful and every little helps. Thank you for your kindness in advance.

Attendance

RL	82.7%
RP	88.1%
1C	99.3%
1/2S	93.3%
2V	91%
3B	96.2%
3/4H	93.3%

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4S	95.9%
5AP	87.5%
5/6L	97%
6W	87.8%
Whole school	91.2

Congratulations to **5/6L** with a percentage in line with our school target of 97% and a special congratulations to **1C** who had the highest percentage this week!

Staffing

We currently have a vacancy for a Premises Supervisor. Please see our website for further information. <https://acktonpastures.ipmat.co.uk/our-school/job-vacancies/>

We are pleased to welcome Miss Lancaster back to school on Monday following her maternity leave. She will be working within upper key stage 2 and Early Years.

Mrs Davis has joined our reception class and Mrs Silcock has joined nursery.

Easter Events and Activities

We are excited to be making plans for reintroducing our decorated hat and egg competitions this year. We will also be holding our Easter Chocolate Raffle which has always been a huge success in the past! Further details will follow.



Term Dates

Friday 18th March – Red Nose Day

Monday 4th April – Class Photographs

Week beginning 4th April - Parent/Carer consultations

Friday 8th April – Break up for Easter

Monday 25th April – Children return to school

Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday

Thursday 5th May – Staff training day (school used for Polling Station) – school closed to children

Friday 20th May – Break up for Half Term Break

The Headteacher is the designated person for all child protection issues

Monday 6th June – Children return to school

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs R Taylor
Interim Headteacher