



Friday 20th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

Exciting developments in the school grounds

The willow tunnel is looking fantastic, the children will love it in the summer months. Ms Noonan and Mrs Gray are now making a willow tepee for the children near the treehouse which is super exciting for the children- all as a result of the money you raised in the cake sale and the volunteer help of our two kind parents.

The Reception Class outdoor learning area is certainly taking shape, it is looking brilliant and the stunning outdoor tables have arrived to go into the area once it is complete, which will hopefully be by next Wednesday. Class R are then setting to work on their mud kitchen and installing their new play house.

The next project for the school grounds will be unveiled after Easter, once the Reception Class area is complete. It is something which will make our outdoor area even more fantastic and outdoor learning even better for the whole school.

Netball Success

Team AK netball team were super smart and fantastic on Tuesday as they played in the finals at Kingshill. They won lots of their matches to get them further than they got last year and into the semi-finals. They finished 4th overall out of 9 teams! The standard was very high for this level of netball and the girls represented the school beautifully. Well done to Holly (Y5), Kirsten (Y5), Hannah (Y6), Becky (Y6), Poppy (Y6), Erin (Y6) and Isobel (Y6). Thank you to the parents for support with the lifts and superb side line support and spirit. Huge well done to Miss Igoe who has trained the team all year and proudly supported them in the finals.

Cirencester Mock Trial- More Success!

This week, when we received the cup and presentation for Erin (Y6) for winning court reporter we were absolutely delighted to be told that we had also won 2nd place out of 24 scripts, so a double success for Team AK. Second place went to Caitlin (Y6) for her court report and she was delighted as we were for her. More writing success for our school- wonderful!

Class 1 assembly delight

All of the children in class 1 produced the first of our infant class assemblies this week and we heard every word. They performed a super team poem, shared art work and messages for people who care for them and taught us all about the human body, wowing us with their facts! We were really proud of them all and the turn out from parents and carers was excellent, thank you for your support. I have included the dates for Class R and Class 2's class assemblies below so you have advanced notice. We are looking forward to the Year 3 & 4 production of Jack and the Beanstalk, Roald Dahl style next week!

Eclipse at AK

We hope you all got the chance to enjoy the experience of the eclipse. Each of our classes learnt about the eclipse before watching it on the BBC live link, the look on their faces was priceless. Lots of learning will have taken place this morning from this rare experience for all of our children whether in school or with you- perfect!

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The Cheltenham Gold Cup visited our school!

This morning one of our Governors visited the school with the original Gold cup 2015 to share it with the children, as it was won by a horse which he joint owns and was locally born in Oaksey. Mr Waller only had the cup in his possession for two days and we wanted to share this rare opportunity with the children whilst talking about courage and determination and sharing in local success. It was very exciting indeed.

FoAKS disco next Thursday

We are looking forward to this event. Please can you ensure that no ipods/ ipads/ tablets are brought to the discos, they are not required and we cannot be responsible for them. Thank you.

The Easter Star Challenge for Home

Can you and your child have a think about what makes a **successful learner**. This is the star challenge for Easter. We will be displaying your work after the holidays in our hall. Try any level of challenge from the star challenge (one star, two star or Wow) below- on A4 sized paper or card please - be as creative as you like.



Design an AK Learning Superhero



Write down all the learning powers you need to be a successful learner (e.g. ask questions, persevere, be a good listener, be independent, be organised etc.

WOW- Draw your AK Learning superhero and surround them with the learning powers you think a successful learner needs as an A4 poster.

Please remind your child to name their work on the front so when displayed, we can see who it belongs to.

Dates for your diaries:

Tuesday 24 th March	6.15 pm Class 3 & 4 evening production (tickets on sale £1 each)
Wednesday 25 th March	Easter Breakfast Event - book your child in now. 6.15 pm Class 3 & 4 evening production (tickets on sale £1 each)
Thursday 26 th March	School Discos organised by FoAKS (more details to follow)
Friday 27 th March	9.00 am Hero and Heroines Assembly for all 1.30 pm Easter service in the church - all welcome. A lovely way to end Term 4 together.
Monday 13 th April	8.55 am Summer Term begins
Wednesday 15 th April	Grand opening of the new reception outdoor learning area with a reading breakfast for parents and carers of Class R children. Governors invited to attend.
Tuesday 28 th April	9 am Class R Assembly in the hall for parents, carers and grandparents.
Tuesday 16 th June	9 am Class 2 Assembly in the hall for parents, carers and grandparents.

All dates can be found on our website in the calendar. www.akps.org.uk

Next week, the children and staff will write for the newsletter to share some highlights from their learning this term with you. There will be NO Dressing Down Day next week as we have had two dress-down days and charity fundraisers in the last couple of weeks, thank you.

Kindest regards,

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