



Friday 13th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to Term 2. I hope you and your children had a lovely half term.



Team AK Shining Brightly:

The children all looked amazing today in their spotty outfits to support Children in Need. We even had a planned fire drill today which they all approached very calmly even though they were dressed in spots!

Class 1 have been so excited to have received a letter from HRH The Prince of Wales. It was written by his representative on behalf of HRH but included a special message to Class 1 in response to a fabulous question they asked... 'Why does the Union Jack not have the Welsh flag represented in it?' They also sent a photograph and a resources pack for the children as a gift. The class were also delighted to receive a response from the Prime Minister and are awaiting news from the Queen! It is SO exciting, each time a letter arrives by post and we get to hand deliver it to the class.

The group of thoughtful children who set up stalls and raised money for chosen charities would like to thank you for supporting them. The children had chosen charities close to their hearts and made their own produce / tasks to sell. Well done to them, it was brilliant and thank you for your support. We will be sending money off to Sue Ryder, Cancer Research and WWF on behalf of the children very soon. I am very proud of our charity minded, thoughtful and caring pupils. We will do this again before Easter and aim to have a few more cakes for sale as they went rapidly!

Fireworks- thank you to all of you who helped! I am always so grateful for all the help given to FoAKS events. Thank you parents, friends, staff and children who give up their time to help and those who supported the event. It was a fabulous evening, so well organised and delivered with real Team AK spirit!

Last week we were visited by the new Deputy Director of Education for the Bristol Diocese, Liz Townend. She was very impressed by the school and she wrote to me to say:

What an inspirational school you are creating. The environment inside and outside was very special. . I thoroughly enjoyed my visit and it seemed to me that the school community is a thriving place with happy and committed children and staff. I was reflecting on how you are embedding the values for a 'fully human' life in to the life of the school with real success. We should all be very proud of this feedback. Our school certainly is a very special place to be.



Parent Consultation Evenings

Please be reminded that parents evenings are Tuesday 24th November 4.30-7pm and Thursday 26th November 3.30-6pm. The board to sign up on will be available on Monday from 3pm on the playground under the bike shelter canopy. If you are not able to come into school to sign up, please telephone the office to arrange an appointment on the form.

New to this parents evening, you will be given a helpful sheet with personalised targets for your child which will help you to support at home. We have done this in the style of our star challenge 1 star, 2 star and WOW. We hope this will improve the meetings by giving you more information similar to what we do in the Spring term meetings.

Reminder Parent Governor Vacancy

Please be reminded that we have a vacancy for a parent Governor. This is an exciting opportunity for one parent and for our school. See the letter sent out for more details.

Breakfast Club Christmas Special

After the successful Christmas session last year, it is planned again for Wednesday 16th December at 8am. There will be a special Christmas breakfast with a visit from Father Christmas and a gift. The cost is the usual £3, please book early to avoid disappointment. It was magical last year. Contact the office for more information or see Mrs Sampson direct.

AK School Improvement Plan Update

SIP Action 4: Forest Schools- Class 6 loved their session! They were den building, planning a new fire pit and seating area and stayed out learning in the pouring rain with a change of clothes. Everyone, including Mr Loveridge who was there to observe as a Governor were buzzing! Class 5 thought their session was fantastic. They made bug houses from wood which they sawed and dens which they absolutely loved. Please see class 5 page of the website for more on this.

SIP Action 2: Reading- the first two AK book club groups have taken place in Class 4. Mrs Hancock was very impressed with the groups and the children all gave me excellent feedback on the session. We are developing a reading corridor along from Class 6. It is exciting to watch it taking shape and books appearing along with a reading graffiti wall.

Kind regards,

S.L.Saville

Mrs. Saville

Head teacher

Please always check the calendar on our website www.akps.org.uk for dates.



Date	Event
Tuesday 24 th November	Book Fair all afternoon - all welcome
	4.30 - 7.00pm Parents Evening
Wednesday 25 th November	8.00am Breakfast Club Cooking Session with Kitchen Club £3
Thursday 26 th November	3.30 - 6.00pm Parents Evening
Tuesday 1 st December	9.00am Class 5 assembly for parents
Wednesday 2 nd December	1.30pm FoAKS pocket money stalls