

Dear children, parents and carers,

I hope you and your families have all had a brilliant Easter break. The children have worked incredibly hard so far this year and I am really proud of them all. I am looking forward to our final term together and the children's last term at AK. This term our values are 'Service' and 'Truthfulness' and worship time in school will focus on this.

In English, we will be reading the book 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. Throughout this term, we will be writing a variety of text types to create a bank of writing in our portfolios. We will be continuing to recap grammar, punctuation and spelling too. In Maths, we will be focusing on measurement, ratio, algebra and statistics. In Geography, we will be studying extreme weather and in History this term we will be finding out about the Kingdom of Benin.

Home Learning

For this term, in the lead up to SATs, the children will continue to receive two pieces of homework a week. As normal, homework will go out on a **Wednesday** and will be due in on the **following Tuesday**. The first homework of the term will go out on **Wednesday 30th April**. Please can you ensure that both pieces of homework are completed at home and handed in on time each week; thank you for your support with this. In addition, our expectation is still that children read each day for at least 10-15 minutes. Children can read independently or to an adult daily. We expect every child to record their daily reading, even if it's just a short note, so that we can keep track of their progress. Please support your child by reminding them to complete this task each day - thank you.

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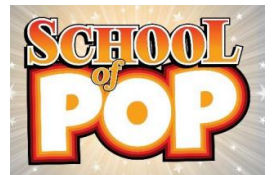
On Monday 23rd June, the children will be taught annual Relationships and Sex Education using the trusted Channel 4 teaching materials, which we have used successfully every year, as per our RSE Policy (which can be found on our school website <http://www.akps.org.uk/news/school-policies/>). The sessions will be taught by both Mrs Saville and I.

Leavers' Church Service - Monday 21st July

On Monday 21st July, there will be a leavers' church service at Holy Cross Church at 1.45pm. You are more than welcome to join us at the church to celebrate the children in a special service which the children will lead with Holy Cross Church. The children will be given special moving on books which are kindly gifted from the church.

2025 Leavers' Production - School of Pop!

I am delighted to share some very exciting news regarding this year's Year 6 end-of-year event! In place of the traditional leavers' assembly, our Year 6 children will be putting on a production titled 'School of Pop'. The children are incredibly excited about this as you can imagine! This opportunity will provide the children with an enriching and memorable experience as they showcase their talents and creativity on stage. The production promises to be a fantastic opportunity for our children to demonstrate their skills in acting, singing and dancing, while fostering both teamwork and confidence. All children will be given a speaking part unless they are completely averse to it. We are really excited about this and we look forward to your support as we work together to make this production a real success! Any support with learning lines at home will be greatly appreciated.



Performances of 'School of Pop' will take place on the following dates:

Monday 21st July at 6pm

Tuesday 22nd July at 11am (in place of already timetabled Leavers' Service)

There will be a small charge for the evening performance (to cover the cost of the production). Of course, you are more than welcome to attend both the evening and morning performances; ticket information will be sent out closer to the time.

Tuesday 22nd July - Rounders: Year 6 v Parents!

Traditionally, after the 11am leavers' assembly, parents leave the school premises to go for lunch together. Parents are then welcome to return to school for a 1.30pm start. In previous years, parents have worn t-shirts with baby/first day of school photos on however this is completely optional! Year 6 will soon be fine-tuning their rounders skills during PE lessons with Mr Miles in preparation...

General Reminders

Forest School sessions: Wednesday 30th April (more to follow after May half-term)

PE sessions: Tuesdays

Art Days with Mrs Dyminski: Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd May

SATs week: Monday 12th - Thursday 15th May

Class 6 London Residential: Tuesday 24th - Friday 27th June

Leavers' Church Service - Monday 21st July at 1.45pm

Class 6 Leavers Assembly - Tuesday 22nd July at 11am

Class 6 rounders match: children vs parents - Tuesday 22nd July at 1.30pm

Thank you again for all of your support this academic year - it is very much appreciated. Here's to a great final term!

Mr Hockaday