



# Ark Swift Primary Academy

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## Friday 7 October 2016

### A Message from the Principal Jason Marantz

#### *Playtimes Get Even More Positive!*

Dear Parents

It has been another full and productive week here at Ark Swift. I am delighted to tell you that our playtimes got even more positive this week.

Whilst our lunch time playtimes have been very exciting and engaging, our morning playtimes needed to be more interesting and enjoyable. This week, we introduced positive playtime in the mornings as well. When the children went out to play on Wednesday morning, they found dozens of new games and activities including giant board games, a table tennis table and a reading bench filled with great magazines and books.

We have also increased the amount of adults on the playground.

Special thanks to Ms Burton for arranging this, and to our class teachers for preparing the children for the new games and activities.



### ATTENDANCE NEWS

Winners of this week's attendance awards were:

1 <sup>st</sup> place:	Edinburgh, Cambridge, Oxford, Goldsmith, St Andrews, Bristol – 100%
2 <sup>nd</sup> place:	Portsmouth 96.7%
3 <sup>rd</sup> place:	Bangor 95.5%

Our whole school attendance for this week was:

# 97.8%

Our attendance for the year to date is **96%** and our target for this year is **96%**, so we need to keep doing what we are doing!

We want your children to make great progress this year and we can only do this if you send your children to school, **every day** and **on time**.

### More playtime games on the Swift Playground



*Dream, Believe, Achieve*

## Getting to know...



### Ms Joan

#### Learning mentor for safeguarding and attendance

Ms Joan Aimable is a learning mentor who helps us ensure that all of the children in Ark Swift are in school and are kept safe. She also supports Ms Burton with behaviour mentoring. As our attendance lead, she will be working with families to ensure children are in school and on time. We are focusing heavily on using school time effectively, so attendance is very important.

*Each week the newsletter will introduce a member of staff so you can get to know his or her role a bit better.*



Each week we are delighted to recognise children who are selected as the class "Stars of the Week". These children have been recognised for doing something special this week.

Last week our stars were:

Year 1 Edinburgh	Hushayah
Year 2 Cambridge	Dahliya
Year 2 Oxford	Amelia
Year 3 Southbank	Rayan
Year 3 Goldsmiths	Darcie
Year 4 St Andrews	Wajma
Year 4 Portsmouth	Summer
Year 5 Hull	Khalil
Year 5 Bangor	Shyla
Year 6 Bristol	Yusra
Year 6 Trinity	Suweyda

## Dojo Champ Rewards



Children continue to earn Dojo points in class for great work and positive behaviour for learning. These are added up on a Friday to see who has earned a reward on the Dojo Champs Chart.

Every week, children who gain 50 dojo points join Mr Marantz and the principal's tea (ok, really they just eat a healthy cake!). Last week Mr Marantz had healthy cake with...

*Roda Abdul Aziz, Princess Williamson, Ryma Ait Ferhat, Ilhan Mohamed, Lulu Wilkinson, Zackaria Yusuf, Khadar Ali, Marcelo Tumielewicz, Rayan Benharou Rami, Zaara Miah, Zara Ahmed, Zhane Gordon, Zion Henry, Nabil Adur, Nicholas Amin, Raghad Daud, Kelsey Channer, Maryam Omar, Mohadder Balon, Ahmed Abdillahi, Alex Wysocki, Alia Fidow, Amir Miah, Bahira Sodal, Cedriz Galas, Darcie Webb, Elsie Baker, Maryama Hassan, Grivelma Galas, Hashim Abdalla Omar, Jenae Samuel, Adam Diah, Fatmata Jalloh, Quman Yusuf, Najma Ali, Wajma Yousofi, Mubahag Abdullahi, Ramzi Ahmed, Ezana Alexander, Ibrahim Ali, Ikhlas Diini, Amalia Dode, Anna Durmek-Jones, Jericho Edanio, Yacqub Elmi, Julianna Engele, Dean Griffiths, Manaal Haji Yuusuf, Ramadan Hassan, Rayann Hassan, Ali Hussain Shah, Mohamed Ismail Mohamed, Summer Jackson-Pollock, Aaron Jamieson, Maqdis Kadiye, Saeda Maye, Damian Mul, Victor Ogunyemi, Yunis Omar, Yahya Osman, Nathan Owusu-Frempong, Laila Ruff, Nadiya Sheikh, Amaris Singh, Jonatan Siwak, Mohamed Bakr, Liban Kadiye, Omar Belal, Yusra Ali, Georgia Barton*

## Ark Swift Reminders

**Meet the Principal next Friday 14 October 2016 at 2:30pm in the lower hall**

- Please remember to complete and return all data forms to the school office as soon as possible
- Please remember to send children in full school uniforms.