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:

1st place: Edinburgh, Cambridge, Oxford, Goldsmith, St Andrews, Bristol – 100%

2nd place: Portsmouth 96.7%

3rd 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
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.

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…


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.