

Aragon School Newsletter

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Friday 23rd September 2022



Dear parents and carers,

I do hope you are all well. It's been a short fortnight for us as we were all off on Monday to pay our respects to the late Queen – but busy nonetheless.

I'd like to start my letter today with a couple of thank yous!

My first is to all of you who were able to come and support our sports days. It was so good of you and much appreciated. Thank you too, to Miss Ballantine who put so much time and effort into organising the events so well and efficiently. I also want to thank those of you who have made so much effort to get your children to school on time – we only had 3 children late today which is a record! Our attendance which had dropped to 93%, has risen to 96% since we came back in September. Thank you!! The children are going to have a special assembly on Monday with Mr Myers where he is going to launch our new attendance initiative based on the game of Monopoly!!

I'm sure you will have read my ParentMail about our PTA closing down. To everybody involved in all the fund-raising activities over the last few years, I would like to say a huge thank you and particularly to Amanda Curl and Gina Fuller who gave up so much time to organise such great events for us. We are all excited about the launch of 'Friends of Aragon' so watch this space for details!!

The filming for our new website last week went really well and the children did us proud – they were all interested in seeing the photographer and videographer but especially interested in the drone flying overhead!!

Next week, some pupils in KS2 are off to Wimbledon Bookfest to see authors, David Almond, M G Leonard, Noel Fitzpatrick and Maggie Aderin-Pocock – I'm sure they'll have lots of fun!

Have a great weekend!

Clare Ryder



Diary Dates

September

- 28th - Y6 Show Racism the Red Card
- 29th - Wimbledon Book Fest Y3,4,5
- 30th - Wimbledon Book Fest—Y6

October

- 3rd - Y6 Bikeability Week
- 10th - World Mental Health Day
- 18th - Parent's Evening
- 19th - Parent's Evening
- 19th - School Photo Day
- 21st - Wear Red Day
- 24th - 28th - Half Term
- 31st - INSET Day

November

- 1st - INSET Day



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Achievement Awards 12.9.21/19.9.21

6B - Phoebe for settling into Year 6 incredibly well!

6F - Julie for an excellent start to her time at Aragon.

5B - Primrose for being a model Year 5 student and being kind and helpful to everyone she works with.

5E - Ronnie for great participation and super effort in all subjects.

5L - Liam for excellent effort in our English lessons

4B - Yakub for a fantastic first week in Year 4!

4H - Leo for an excellent start to Year 4 and for writing excellent reading comments!

4J - Amelia for a fantastic first week back at school.

3A - Paige for fantastic effort and achievement in all lessons.

3AB - Sahana for 100% effort in her learning and behaviour.

3LB - Lucy for a fantastic start to Year 3!

2G - whole class for an amazing start to Year Two!

2R - all of 2R for a fantastic first week in year 2.

2W - whole class for a super start to year 2.

1B - Malik for settling in well and being a fantastic role model

IDV - whole class for having an amazing first week in Year 1!

1M - All of 1M for settling into Year 1 really well.

6B - Emily for excellent contributions to our new history topic 'Ancient Egyptians'

6F - Shreeya for excellent graffiti and street art work in our lessons.

5B - Ethan for excellent effort across all subjects.

5E - Dani-Girl for including super relative clauses in her English.

5L - Maisie for excellent effort in our English lessons.

4B - Lexi for an improvement in effort in all lessons.

4H - Buster for an excellent published biography!

4J - Oscar for his superb work ethic and writing a brilliant biography.

3A - Dhruvan for brilliant behaviour and learning.

3LB - Izyan for being a perfect role model in 3LB!

2G - Millie for excellent concentration and for always trying her best.

2R - Luca for his excellent effort and participation in all lessons.

2W - Umrah for an incredible story ending!

1B - Owen for settling in well and trying to continuously use his phonics in our writing lessons

IDV - Mason for being confident in his new surroundings and always showing he is ready to learn.

1M - Anaiya for amazing ideas in English

RC - the whole class for being amazing in their first week in Reception and for settling into Aragon school life with enthusiasm!

RP - Beatrix Potter Class for being amazing in their first week in Reception! Well done!

RT - All of RT for an amazing first week in Reception!

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Spotlight on Year 6

The Year 6 children have made an incredible start to the new school year! They are quickly learning how to maturely undertake the responsibilities of a Year 6 child to be role models to the younger children. Some of the pupils have been busy helping Miss Ballantine to run the younger years' sports mornings; we have had many applications submitted for the school council and soon, we will be deciding who will become the new house captains! This week, we started our new English unit 'Warhorse' and have continued to learn lots of new and interesting information about the Ancient Egyptians in our History unit. Next Tuesday, Year 6 will all have a 'Show Racism the Red Card' workshop and those who have bought tickets are getting excited to attend the Wimbledon Book Fest next Friday 30th September. Finally, the following week we have lots of pupils participating in a bikeability course. Busy times!



Train to Teach Webinar

Thurs 6th Oct

5pm - 6pm



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Phase Leaders

The below staff are our Phase Leaders. They are responsible for all of the children and staff within their phase, and support Mrs Ryder and Mr Gilbert in securing the best possible outcomes for the school. As parents, you are invited to contact the phase leader, who oversees your child's year group with any positive comments or queries.

- Miss Nicola Pearce is our Phase Leader overseeing Reception and Nursery
- Ms Anna Garcia is our Phase Leader overseeing Y1, Y2 and Y3
- Miss Ellie Ballantine is our Phase Leader overseeing Y4, Y5 and Y6

Ms Pearce

Ms Garcia

Ms Ballantine



You can contact them via email on aragon@aragon.merton.sch.uk stating who you wish to contact or via the school number on 020 8337 0505.

Curriculum maps

Updated curriculum maps are now on the website.

These maps give an overview of your child's learning in all subjects for the half term.

[Year 6 Curriculum Map](#)

[Year 5 Curriculum Map](#)

[Year 4 Curriculum Map](#)

[Year 3 Curriculum Map](#)

[Year 2 Curriculum Map](#)

[Year 1 Curriculum Map](#)

[Reception Curriculum Map](#)

Aragon Primary School Curriculum Map

Year 4			
English We will be studying a wide range of genres and creating pieces of writing based on the following stimuli: <i>Marshmallow</i> , <i>Suspense writing</i> My Teacher: Biographies <i>The Dreadful Messes</i> , Seasonal Poetry	Maths Order and compare numbers beyond 1000. Recognise the place value of each digit in a 4 digit number. Order and compare numbers beyond 1000. Round any number to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000. Add/subtract numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of columnar addition where appropriate. Estimate and use inverse operations to check answers to a calculation.	Science: Living things and their habitats Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.	PE: Netball - Children develop movement and ball handling skills. They learn simple attacking tactics as part of a small team, and start to think about how to organise themselves to defend their goal. Play with a basic court set-up.
Reading The Boy Who Bled The World Overhead in a Tower Book Stitch Head	Music: Mamma Mia! As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with the well known song Mamma Mia, children will learn and appreciate more ABBA hits.	Art: Pop Art Explore what constitutes art and why people's opinions on what art is often differ before delving into the Pop art movement, investigating a variety of works by Warhol and other Pop art artists and producing their own.	RE: Buddhism I can start to show an understanding of why people share it is difficult to be happy all the time. I can tell you some of the things Siddhartha did to try to be happy and explain why I think they didn't work for him. I can begin to show an understanding of what being 'happy' means to Buddhists.
Computing: General IT Review using the missing tool. Review using a document and making a folder. Formatting text using bold, italics, underlining and changing the colour font.	PE: Netball - Children develop movement and ball handling skills. They learn simple attacking tactics as part of a small team, and start to think about how to organise themselves to defend their goal. Play with a basic court set-up.	PE: Netball - Children develop movement and ball handling skills. They learn simple attacking tactics as part of a small team, and start to think about how to organise themselves to defend their goal. Play with a basic court set-up.	PE: Netball - Children develop movement and ball handling skills. They learn simple attacking tactics as part of a small team, and start to think about how to organise themselves to defend their goal. Play with a basic court set-up.

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Spotlight on Miss Grannelli

Hi there! My name is Miss Granelli and I have recently joined the lovely office team at Aragon as the Office Manager. I grew up in central London and I could see the London Eye from my bedroom window. In my spare time, I love going on days out with my two daughters, especially to the swimming pool at Guilford Spectrum. I also enjoy receiving parcels from my post man after an online shopping spree. I am super excited to get to know you all this year, feel free to say hi when you see me!



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Attendance 5/9/22-8/9/22

We know that sometimes illness can't be avoided but now we are fully re-open and trying to close all the gaps in the children's learning from the national lockdowns, we really would appreciate you getting your children into school everyday and on time.

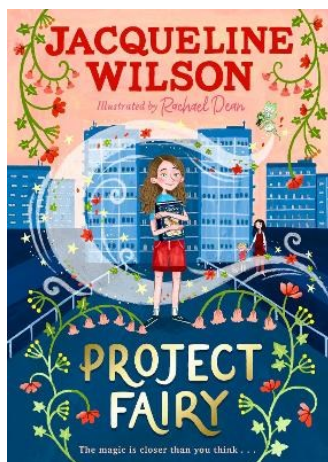
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5L	99.7%	1DV	96.3%
4B	98.2%	1M	97.1%
4H	95.6%	RC	96.9%
4J	97.4%	RP	95.7%
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Reading Matters: Click on the book to take you to a description!

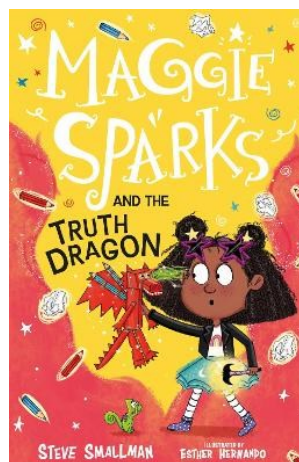
Y5/6



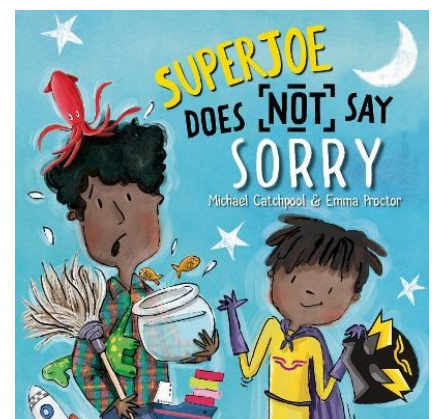
Y3/4



Y1/2



EYFS



Safeguarding

Children have a right to be cared for and protected; protecting them is everyone's responsibility. Here at Aragon Primary School, we have a duty of care to ensure that all users of the school are kept safe from harm.

We are committed to provide a secure and supportive environment in which children can develop and grow into mature and responsible people. Safeguarding children is an essential part of our holistic approach to ensure that children are protected from abuse and neglect and that every child reaches their full potential. To report a safeguarding concern or for any queries contact: kaldis@aragon.merton.sch.uk

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Little Wandle Letters and Sounds

At Aragon we value early reading and as such you may have noticed your Reception or Year 1 child talking about 'Phonics'! Aragon Primary School uses Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised, a complete systematic synthetic phonics programme (SSP) developed for schools by schools.



[Why not have a look at their 'Parent' page and see how to support your child at home with their reading. Click here.](#)

The resources on this page will help you support your child with saying their sounds and writing their letters. There are also some useful videos so you can see how they are taught at school and feel confident about supporting their reading at home. Find their full Reception and Year 1 teaching programme overview [here](#) to see what your child will learn and when.

[Click here ----->](#)



Phase 2 sounds taught in Reception Autumn 1

House Point Leaderboard

Unicorn  3677

Dragon  3356

Griffin  3212

Phoenix  3128

Spelling Shed



Class Winners

1. 6B
2. 6F
3. 3A

Top Spellers

1. Aananya 6B
2. Ashley 6B
3. Wali 6F

Times Table Rockstars



Class Winners

1. 3AB
2. 3A
3. 3LB

Rock Legends

1. Aananya 5A
2. Yakub 4B
3. Prathieha 5H

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Year 6 Parents

The application process for children born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012 starts on 1 September 2022. The closing date was 31 October 2022. If you have recently moved or your circumstances have changed an on-time application can be accepted up until 10 December 2022 if evidence is provided.

Applications received without an explanation or evidence will be processed as late applications and will not be considered until after all on-time applications. We would urge all parents to read through the starting [secondary school information online](#). (2023 booklet will be available shortly)



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Parking



We would like to remind all parents/carers to park considerately when collecting or dropping off children from school at any time, in Aragon Road and Tudor Drive. Aragon Road is not accessible to vehicles from 8.00-9.15 and 14.45-16.00 and is monitored by CCTV Cameras. The police will be patrolling and will continue to monitor drivers with covert and visible CCTV.

Glenthorne Banding Test

Please make sure that you register your child for the Glenthorne banding tests if you intend to list the school as one of your choices.



Goodfellows Estate agents are looking for an experienced administrator to join one of their local offices. This role would suit a bubbly personality and requires good customer service skills along with the ability to work well under pressure. Working days/hours are flexible to suit the right candidate, please contact samantha.bedford@goodfellows.co.uk for more information.

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