

# Our value for January is Self-Belief

## Newsletter

Spring Term  
06th January 23



### Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to be back in school this week, full of a renewed sense of energy and wellness after our break. Staff started the week with a visit to London Zoo so that they could once again be inspired by the potential of learning outdoors using London's wealth of great resources. We all know London Zoo but wanted to think differently about cross curricular links and our drive to open pupils' eyes to opportunities in STEAM careers. Since being back in school, we have been talking to children about their resolutions or goals for 2023 and have been reminding them of the aspects of the Argyle Adventure that they will get to enjoy this term. There is a huge amount to look forward to...

**Jemima Wade, Headteacher**



**Wishing all our families,  
staff and our supporters a  
very Happy New Year.**

### Staff Training at London Zoo

Did you know that we have a whole school membership of London Zoo? This year 100% of our children will have the chance to visit the zoo and many children from year 2 up will visit more than once. Visits will be short and will focus on one animal or habitat in detail rather than on trying to look at every animal. Teachers are plotting out their focus so that learning is not repeated but deepened and extended.



### First Week back at School

Children across the school were happy to be back at school with their friends and were ready to continue their Argyle Adventure.



# PE timetable

Most classes have PE twice a week, please use the timetable to check your child/ren's PE days. Remember they need to wear their PE kits to school on these days and suitable, outdoor black trainers. Also, children in Years 1 to 6 do have a lesson outside so they may need a green PE hoody.

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday	Monday	Wednesday
	Friday	Friday	Thursday	Thursday	Friday	Friday	Thursday



PE T-shirts (£4.50) and Green hoody (£14.00) available to buy on SCOPAY.



## Community Notices



### MIDDAY MEALS SUPERVISOR

Get a better understanding of the lunchtime supervisor role in a childcare setting!



Learn how to gain employment in schools!



Mondays

21<sup>st</sup> Feb to 27<sup>th</sup> June



10am to 3pm



sara.siddiqui@westking.ac.uk to register interest

Course delivered in class

Westminster Kingsway College- Regents Park Site



### ESOL Classes

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Are you interested in taking ESOL classes to better your English? If we get enough parents interested then the school will organise classes.

Please click the link if you would like to show your interest and sign up:

<https://forms.gle/r7etdEavvdkUrPUD6>

There will be a drop-in session to register for ESOL classes on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 9-11 in the FLC.

**Please note**, this is an external course which will take place in the FLC and is not run by Argyle. Argyle is not advertising any midday roles at present, and completing this course does **not** guarantee that you will be selected for a midday job at Argyle in future if advertised.



# Year 4 visit The Camden Centre for Learning

On Thursday 5th January, Year 4 Onyx visited The CLC. They were learning how an Edison programmable robot works. They learnt how to give it commands and how to scan a barcode of instructions. Using its sensors, the Edison could track a line, respond to claps and avoid obstacles.

Once we knew how to program them, we used Lego to design super-robots and sumo wrestlers. The wrestling champions were Aaliyah and Liyana!



Zahra: I learnt that, if you put the robot on a reflective surface, it goes in different directions. On Edscratch, you had to choose reflective or non-reflective in the commands.



Ridwaan: Today's trip was all about learning how to program different robots. We used different ways to program them like bar codes and Edscratch.



Vanessa: We decorated our robots with Lego pieces and then we sumo wrestled with them! It didn't go too well- maybe the Lego pieces were too heavy. We removed them and they wrestled much better!



Faaduma: Today, on our trip, we made robots and used bar codes and Edison Scratch to program them. We gave them commands in different ways. My favourite one was when the Edison followed the torch light. I learnt that you had to keep the torch close enough for the Edison to see!





# EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Reception

The children in Reception came into school on Wednesday excited to see their friends and teachers, and share all that they had done over the holidays. This term promises to be another exciting and busy term, packed with lots of learning for all, including more speaking and listening workshops, phonics workshops and school trips to both Kidzania and the Natural History Museum.



This week, the children have been learning all about the Gingerbread Man. After watching a video showing him running through their classroom, the children eagerly wrote their own letters to him, encouraging him to come back and visit them. Additionally, they made their own gingerbread biscuits using skills such as measuring, mixing and rolling.

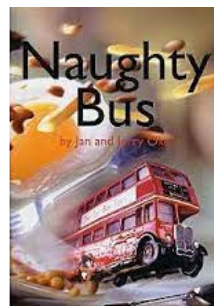


# EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Nursery

In Nursery, the children have welcomed some new friends who are just beginning at Argyle. It was lovely to see how friendly and kind our children were to the new arrivals. They were also able to clearly explain the rules of the classroom and why they are so important.

As the children are beginning a new topic called 'Transport' they listened to the story of the 'Naughty Bus' and then talked about different types of transport. They were then able to sort the different types into three categories based upon how they travelled—land, sea or air.

This term will also be a busy term for Nursery as there are trips planned to the Foundling Museum, the Transport Museum and workshops from the Teddy Bears Clinic and Bookstart. Additionally, every Friday, parents will be offered the opportunity to stay and play with their children. It was lovely to see so many parents engaging in play this morning!



# Attendance

	WK1	WK 2	WK 3	WK 4	WK 5	WK 6
Rec: Jet	86%					
Rec: Topaz	88%					
1 Jade	91%					
1 Ruby	90%					
2 Amber	91%					
2 Opal	95%					
3 Garnet	93%					
3 Pearl	93%					
4 Onyx	95%					
5 Quartz	96%					
6 Diamond	94%					
6 Sapphire	93%					
Total	92%					
Camden						

Well done to 5 Quartz who have attained 96% attendance.



# Dates for your diary

All entries on the calendar have been sent to the applicable parents via ParentHub, please check for more information. If you need any help with ParentHub, speak to the school office.

## January 2023

Monday 9th	<p><b>EVENT:</b> All Spring after school clubs begin for those who have signed up and paid.</p> <p><b>TUITION:</b> Catch up Clubs begin for the Spring Term</p>
Tuesday 10th	<p><b>CLUBS:</b> KS1 Fun/Fitness, KS2 Cooking &amp; KS2 Coding</p> <p><b>EVENT:</b> Speaking and Listening Workshop 2a for Jet Class</p> <p><b>TUITION:</b> Year 5 Richard Reeves Tuesday tuition begins for the Spring Term</p>
Wednesday 11th	<p><b>TRIP:</b> Selected pupils from Years 5 &amp; 6 visit Talacre Sport Centre to take part in a dodgeball competition</p> <p><b>CLUBS:</b> KS1 Netball &amp; KS2 Netball</p> <p><b>EVENT:</b> Speaking and Listening Workshop 2a for Topaz Class</p> <p><b>TUITION:</b> Year 5 Action tuition begins for the Spring Term</p>
Thursday 12th	<p><b>TRIP:</b> Year 6 visit Bletchley Park</p> <p><b>CLUBS:</b> KS1 Cooking &amp; 3&amp;4 Fun/Fitness</p> <p><b>EVENT:</b> Speaking and Listening Workshop 2b for Jet Class</p>
Friday 13th	<p><b>TRIP:</b> Selected pupils from Years 5 &amp; 6 visit Somers Town Sport Centre to take part in an athletics competition</p> <p><b>CLUBS:</b> KS2 Gymnastics</p> <p><b>EVENT:</b> Speaking and Listening Workshop 2b for Topaz Class</p>
Monday 16th	<p><b>EVENT:</b> Sign up for ESOL class in FLC 9am - 11am</p>
Tuesday 17th	<p><b>TRIP:</b> Selected pupils from Years 5 &amp; 6 visit Talacre Sport Centre</p>