



# Our value for July is Gratitude



## Newsletter

Summer Term

21st July 23



## Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

If you read this newsletter regularly, you will know what an incredible array of learning experiences children enjoy at Argyle. You will know also that Ofsted judged Personal Development at Argyle to be outstanding in October 2022. You may not be aware just how inclusive we are - welcoming children from across the world, shortly after they arrive in London and welcoming children with a range of special needs. We believe that every member of our school community makes us a little richer.

You may also not know how we perform academically. Our inclusive approach means that we will not top league tables when they return in the Autumn, however, there are some really interesting headlines that we would like to share with you.

In Year 6 the percentage of children achieving the expected level in Reading, Writing and Maths was, in all three subjects, above the national figure.

To give an indication - our combined measure was 71% compared to a national combined of 59%.

At the higher standard (greater depth) 22% of our children achieved the higher standard in all three subjects compared to 14% across Camden -the national figure is likely to be much lower.

So, though we are never complacent, and know that data only tells part of our story, we do have much to be proud of at the end of a year in which we have worked our socks off! Thank you to you all for your support, have a fantastic summer!

**Jemima Wade, Headteacher**

## Good Bye Year 6...go and excel in the world



To our year 6 pupils, we wish you a smooth transition to secondary school. Always remember to try your best, believe in yourself, show kindness, take care of yourself, others and your environment, have a go at new things and be resilient.



**Your Argyle Adventure has ended.  
Use all the skills you have learnt here  
and build on them in your new  
school.**

**Make the most of the next chapter!**

# Good Bye, thank you and best of luck!

Today we say goodbye to Grace Lynch, who will be leaving Argyle after 18 years of service, she is retiring to spend time with the family. We are also saying goodbye to Ariana Chetty, Marta Comolat, Stefano Cioccheti, Anisa Ali, Mahbuba Faruque and Kye Enomoto. You have all contributed so much and are loved by our children.



# Thank You!



Every adult who works at Argyle makes a difference and their input is highly valued. We wish them all the very best.

## Joining us in September

In September new members of staff will be joining the classroom support team.

Daniel Sandman in 5 Amethyst, Larysa Koltsova in Emerald class, Rina Begum in Amber class and Saima Begum in Jet. Welcome to the team!



## Thank you to our volunteers

We would like to thank all our student teachers and reading and class volunteers who have helped our pupils over the year. We would like to give a special 'Thank you' to Cathy McGarry, Liz from Beanstalk, Sheila Green, Siju Begum, Doreen Kabangu, Jannat Hussein and Mahima Yasmin. We thank you for your dedication and service to our pupils, it is invaluable.

We would also like to send a massive 'THANK YOU' to the parents who have given their time and commitment to 'Friends of Argyle' for organising amazing events like the Eid parties and uniform drives to name a few. Farhana Begum, Surma Begum and Lamia Moudadou, you have been extraordinary.

# THANK YOU!

# Transition Day

On Monday, our pupils all experienced a taste of what it will be like in their new class in September. They spent the day in their new classes with their new teacher.



Old Class	New Class	New teacher
	Nursery Moonstone	Jo
Nursery	Reception Jet	Rachel
Nursery	Reception Topaz	Bethany
Rec & Yr1 mix	Emerald Class	Ms Tunu
Rec & Yr1 mix	Amber Class	Ms Campeau
Rec & Yr1 mix	Opal Class	Ms Robinson
2 Amber	3 Pearl	Mr Uddin & Ms Styles
2 Opal	3 Garnet	Ms Hadri
Yr 3 mix	4 Onyx	Ms Jones
Yr 3 mix	4 Quartz	Ms Quinn
4 Onyx	5 Amethyst	Ms Dent
5 Quartz	6 Sapphire	Ms Atkinson

# Celebration of Singing Assembly

On Wednesday, our pupils IN Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 2 treated parents to a mini concert of lullabies and songs from around the world.

Thank you Ms Pryce for getting all the classes ready to sing so beautifully and to all the parents who came along.

It was mesmerising! It is amazing how talented children are at Argyle – **Esam's Dad**

Loved the fact that they sang a Bengali song. I will ask Ayoub to repeat the song at home and I will learn it from him – **Ayoub's Dad**

Hearing my daughter sing in Somali made me so proud. I like that the school represents everyone. - **Samira's mum**



It was nice seeing the children learn different songs from around the world – **Amaarah's Mum**

I took a picture and sent it to my Bangladeshi friend. The Bengali lullaby was so cute – **Dahlia's Mum**

## Year 6 vs Staff

Yesterday, pupils were treated to the annual teachers vs Year 6. This year there were relay races, javelin throwing and football tournaments to enjoy. Well done to all who took part. Teachers won by one point this year...though some Year 6's are still disputing the fact!



## Attendance Assembly

Today, fifteen pupils were awarded with a 100% attendance certificates and were given special prizes for coming to school everyday. Also, a large group of children who achieved between 96%-99% attendance were also given attendance certificates.

The children were excited to learn which classes won the coveted attendance cups for best attendance over the entire academic year, this year it was 2 Opal in Key stage 1 and 5 Quartz in Key stage 2. Well done!



# Patrick Bicknell Awards 2023

On Tuesday, five of our wonderful children became the recipients of the Patrick Bicknell Award 2023.

Mr Patrick Bicknell, a former pupil of the school set up the Award in 2017 to be given annually to children who have shown quiet determination, have made real progress, and who have displayed an ability to make the most of the opportunities they have been offered. Though choosing from our wonderful children can be difficult these children really stood out!

Huge congratulations to **Halima Saafi (3 Garnet)**, **Athena Pandia (4 Onyx)**, **Fartun Siyad, Saya Khallid (6 Diamond)** and **Zainab Shirzoi (6 Sapphire)**.

We know that they will make full use of the wonderful books and learning resources in their prizes. Enjoy!

**We would like to thank Mr Bicknell for his incredible generosity and thoughtfulness in providing such a wonderful gift to our pupils.**



## Attendance Awards



**Zunairah**  
– 6 Sapphire

**Mirna**  
– 6 Diamond

**Manal**  
– 6 Sapphire

**Grace**  
– 6 Diamond

**Asfia**  
– 3 Pearl

**Salma**  
– 5 Quartz

**Mao**  
– 3 Pearl

**Tayyibah**  
– 2 Opal

**Abubakar**  
– 2 Amber

**Rayyan**  
– 5 Quartz

**Yahya**  
– 5 Quartz

**Abdallah**  
– 2 Opal

**Hafsa**  
– Nursery

**Elisa**  
– Nursery

**Yara**  
– 5 Quartz

# Star Pupil Awards 2023

## Reception Jet



## Reception Topaz



## Year 1 Jade



## Year 1 Ruby



## Year 2 Amber



## Year 2 Opal



## Year 3 Garnet



## Year 3 Pearl



## Year 4 Onyx



## Year 5 Quartz



## Year 6 Diamond



## Year 6 Sapphire



Well  
done

WE ARE  
SO PROUD  
OF YOU



# Don't Stop Reading over the Summer!

## FIRST NEWS

The Summer Reading Campaign has been launched with our students in mind! The aim of the campaign is to keep students engaged and reading for pleasure at home by granting them the ability to access the Digital Edition at any time, throughout the summer holiday period.



Congratulations! Your child's school is taking part in the First News Education Summer Reading Scheme 2023, which entitles every pupil to a free two-month First News subscription.

Your school's Summer Reading Scheme coupon code is **SMR-E8CPQK4C**

To claim your child's free First News app subscription, just follow the instructions below:

1: Head to [subscribe.firstnews.co.uk/summer-reading/](https://subscribe.firstnews.co.uk/summer-reading/)

2: Add your email address, read and accept the terms and conditions and click 'Proceed to checkout'

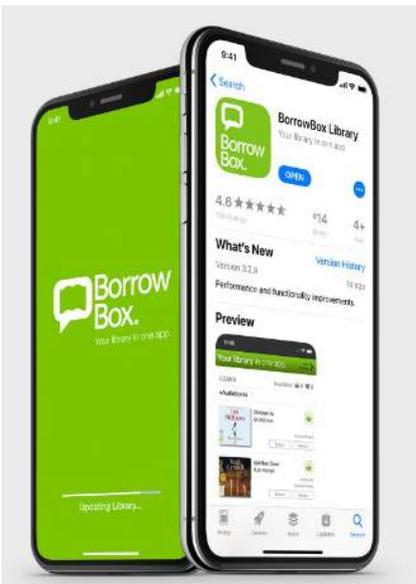


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**Don't forget: the Summer Reading Scheme code can only be used until 31 July 2023 at 23:59 GMT, and grants access for two months, free of charge.**



## BORROWBOX

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Listen to audiobooks in the park, on the train, in the car, before bed, the possibilities are endless with this app.

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2023

### How it works

Welcome to the Summer Reading Challenge! Take part online or at your local library.

Online

At your library



#### 1. Sign up

Click 'Join now' to create your account.



#### 2. Read books

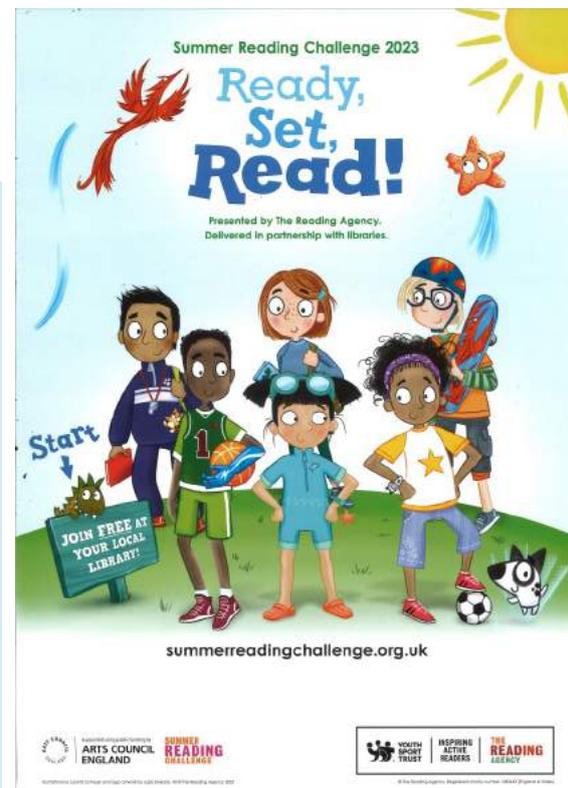
Set your reading goal and read anything you like! Each time you finish a book, add it to your profile and leave a review.



#### 3. Earn digital rewards

Unlock special online badges and a certificate to print at home when you reach your Challenge goal!\*

\*Physical rewards like medals are only available when taking part at select libraries.



# Attendance

Despite a very uncertain year our attendance for the year from Reception to Year 6 is **93.11%**.

Next year, we are aiming for 96% attendance across the school, so here are a few tips on how to keep your child's attendance high.

	Over the year
Rec: Jet	<b>88%</b>
Rec: Topaz	<b>88%</b>
1 Jade	<b>92%</b>
1 Ruby	<b>92%</b>
2 Amber	<b>92%</b>
2 Opal	<b>95%</b>
3 Garnet	<b>94%</b>
3 Pearl	<b>95%</b>
4 Onyx	<b>95%</b>
5 Quartz	<b>96% Well Done!</b>
6 Diamond	<b>94%</b>
6 Sapphire	<b>94%</b>

- Always book dental, optician and GP appointments outside school hours where possible. If it can not be avoided, book them for after lunch, this way your child get full attendance marks for the day.
- If you have an appointment in the morning after 9.15am, please bring your child to school first to be marked into the register. Tell the office and they will arrange collection of your child so you make your appointment. Do not keep children at home for 9.30am or later appointments.
- Do not book holidays during term time. If there is an exceptional circumstance, you must complete a form from the office before booking your tickets. The headteacher will consider your request. You may be fined if you take your child out of school without permission.
- Download ParentHub and ensure you are connected to your child's account which will allow you to track your child's attendance daily.
- Prepare school things (uniform, bag, homework etc. ) the night before.



## Reminders for the new school year

All parents of current pupils should be aware of their child/ren's new class for September. If not your letter is on ParentHub.

• All eligible pupils transitioning to Year 3 are asked to apply for Free School Meals on <https://accountforms.camden.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals/>

You are also reminded that Year 3 parents will have to pay for school lunches if not entitled to Free School Meals.

• School Meals are now **£2.52 per day or £12.60** per week.

• School uniform is available to buy over the summer on scopay app, look under 'Products'

• School uniform ordered over the summer can be collected on **Monday 1st September and Tuesday 2nd September from 10am – 2pm.**

• All pupils Nursery to Year 6 need a PE kit for September start.

• Reminder that all school shoes must be plain black, this includes PE shoes.

• Finally, make sure your ParentHub account is connected to your child/ren. Go to the app, look at the bottom of the page for 'school', if you can see your child's name you are connected. If not, click on 'add my child' and follow the instructions.



Plain black shoes only





## School Term and Holiday Dates: 2023-2024

### Autumn Term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (33 days)

Pupils return to school on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023

#### Half Term Holiday

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December (39 days)

**Christmas Holiday:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### Spring Term

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February (24 days)

Pupils return to school on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024

#### Half Term Holiday

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March (29 days)

**Easter Holiday:** Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### Summer Term

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024 (28 days)

Pupils return to school on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024

#### Half Term Holiday

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024 (37 days)

#### BANK HOLIDAYS

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 – New Year's Day  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Good Friday  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – Easter Monday  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – May Day  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Spring Bank Holiday  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024 – Summer Bank Holiday

#### INSET DAYS

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024

# Community Notices

## Summer Children's Workshops

Get creative this summer holiday with our fun family workshops. From sculpture to animation, there's something for everyone.



**SCULPTING PLASTER PEOPLE**  
Tuesday 25 July  
Learn how to create a plaster sculpture in this fun, messy workshop, supported by young people in the Museum's traineeship programme.

**FAMILY ANIMATION**  
Wednesday 26 July  
Come along to this creative stop-motion animation workshop delivered by artist Lily Ash Sakula.

**PLAYFUL SELF-PORTRAITS**  
Thursday 27 July  
Join this playful photography workshop with artist Jessica McDermott and capture your own unique self-portraits.

**FAMILY TREE SCULPTURE**  
Friday 28 July  
Create a huge collaborative sculpture inspired by a family tree with artist Laura X Carle.

Workshops run 11am-1pm & 2-4pm.  
Free for children, £3 for accompanying adults.

Golden tickets available: see website for conditions

For enquiries call 020 7841 3595 or email us at [learning@foundlingmuseum.org.uk](mailto:learning@foundlingmuseum.org.uk)

Book your place at [foundlingmuseum.org.uk/event/summer-holiday-workshops/](https://www.foundlingmuseum.org.uk/event/summer-holiday-workshops/)



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## STORY GARDEN

### SUMMER PUPPET PROGRAMME

25 July - 18 August 2023

## GLOBAL GENERATION



Every Tuesday - Friday  
11am - 3:30pm (with free lunch)

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- We deliver a series of well-being workshops over 4 weeks, each week bringing a new theme.
- Offers early intervention support to all young people aged 6 to 18.
- Designed to develop your skills to support your own emotional wellbeing, build resilience and confidence.
- Providing the opportunity to meet other young people, gain new skills and explore your emotional well-being.
- The service also provides information, advice and guidance relating emotional wellbeing and signposting too.
- Free to access service.

THURSDAYS  
10TH, 17TH,  
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11:30 - 13:30  
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