

East Ardsley Primary Academy Newsletter

25/05/ 2018

Menu Week no: 1



Attendance: Congratulations to classes 6 who had 98.4% attendance this week - you were our attendance stars. Well Done to you all!

What we have been up to this week:

After the double whammy of F2A's Assembly and Class 8's Assembly at the end of last week we were all set for a good week in the run up to half term. Thank you to the fantastic staff and amazing children for sharing their learning in such a confident way for all the parents. It's such a good showcase for all their hard work.

Miss Holdsworth is starting her maternity leave after the half-term. We wish her well and look forward to meeting her new baby in the near future.

Mrs Fletcher has had a busy week with sporting activities for different groups of children of all different ages. They've enjoyed kwik cricket, a community sports day, dodgeball and football. We are lucky to have such a dedicated member of staff who makes sure our children are included in every available sporting activity. Unfortunately the rain stumped her at the last hurdle and our Race for Life event has had to be postponed.

We have also had children out rehearsing on violins and brass instruments ready for the Leeds Music Schools' Summer Concert next half term. It's a great opportunity for children who learn instruments across Leeds to get together and form an orchestra.

Year 5 have had a special visit this week from the Fire Service to work with them on how to make sure they keep themselves and others safe and what to do if they are ever caught up in a fire. Some other children in Year 5 were lucky enough to be a part of an English workshop organised by Mrs Hardcastle from a grant she applied for. We are very grateful to her for organising a number of fun learning events for our children across the term.

On a safety note can I please remind you that school policy is that children are not allowed on the trim trail or other school play equipment at the start or end of the school day.

Ms Talbot

Dates for your Diary

25.5.18	School closes
4.6.18	School opens
5.6.18	Resources Committee 5pm
6.6.18	Class photographs
7.6.18	PTFA Disco KS1 5 – 6pm KS2 6.15 – 7.15pm
11.6.18	Assessment Week
13.6.18	KS1 Sports Day—1.30 pm
13.6.18	Leeds Children's Mayor visit—2.30 pm
14.6.18	Information evening at Rodillian for Y6 children going in September
15.6.18	Class 1 Assembly
22.6.18	Class F2B Assembly
25.6.18	Robinwood Meeting for Parents of children in Y5
27.6.18	KS2 Sports Day 9.45 am—11.45 am 1.30 pm—3.20 pm
27.6.18	Information evening at Woodkirk for Y6 children going in September
29.6.18	Class 7 Assembly
6.7.18	Leaver's Assembly (Rodillian children-last day)
11.7.18	Transition meeting for parents Nursery to F2 3.35pm F2 to Year 1 4.00pm
16.7.18	Transition Week in school.
19.7.18	Leavers' Disco (Year 6)



PTFA Disco – 7th June

Don't forget the PTA are holding a children's disco on Thursday 7th June at East Ardsley Primary Academy. There is no theme so just come in your best disco outfit!! The evening will be split into F2 & Key Stage 1 (5-6pm) and Key Stage 2 (6.15pm to 7.15pm) and the cost is just £3.50 per child for F2/KS1 (including a drink, a packet of crisps and a chocolate bar or sweets) or £2.50 per child for KS2 (who can buy what they require from the tuck shop). All children should be dropped off and collected from the hall. Make sure you bring your form back by Monday 4th June if you want to purchase any of the last remaining tickets.

Saturday - Tingley Athletic Girls' Football Tournament

On Saturday morning, eight Year 5/6 girls represented our school in the annual Tingley Athletic Girls' Football Tournament. Five teams participated and played each other once.

Unfortunately we lost three games and drew one, but that didn't reflect how the girls played at all. Although they were disappointed with their results, they never gave up and showed amazing sportsmanship throughout. Well done to all the girls for a great morning of football.

Churwell went on to win the tournament.

Thank you to all the girls for giving up their Saturday morning for me. You were all brilliant!

Monday - Kwick Cricket Tournament

On Monday, eighteen children from years 5/6 took part in the annual Kwick Cricket Tournament which was held at Hunslet Nelson Cricket Club. The children were split into two teams. Sixteen teams were entered in total, from schools all across Leeds. They were split into four 'pools', with each team playing four games.

The rules and some aspects of the game of Kwick Cricket are very hard to understand (especially the bowling), until you get the hang of it, so it took a while for the children to get their heads around their first games. This didn't stop them hitting some fantastic shots and scoring 4s and 6s though.

For the rest of the games, the children were brilliant! Some superb runs were made and the fielding and bowling became second nature to some.

Both teams won and lost two games each, which was a great result. Team B finished fourth in the competition, with Team A coming fifth. All the children had a really enjoyable day and the beautiful weather made all the difference. Well done to all the children.

Tuesday - Wheelchair Sports day

On Tuesday, Elizabeth Thornton went with Miss Haigh and Mrs Mallinder to a Wheelchair Sports Day event.

This was held at Huddersfield Leisure Centre, where Lizzie was able to use a sports wheelchair all day and was able to participate independently in tennis, basketball, table tennis and boccia, with children aged up to 18.

Lizzie has been a great representative for East Ardsley and we are very proud for all the effort she has put into playing sport. Well done Lizzie!

Wednesday - Dodgeball Tournament

On Wednesday, one boy and girl, each from Years 3-6 represented the school our annual Dodgeball Tournament, which was held at Birchfield Primary. Fifteen teams were entered and split into two leagues with each team playing five games which lasted for five minutes.

We were placed in league two with our first game against Birchfield 2.

This was quite evenly matched and as the whistle blew we had four players left in the playing zone whilst Birchfield had three; our first win and three points.

For our next three games, the team were just 'on fire'. Playing Gildersome 2, Westerton and Churwell, we knocked all the teams out well within the five minutes and had another nine points under our belts.

Our final game against Hill Top was again, another evenly matched one. Unfortunately, with only about 30 seconds left remaining, our last two players were hit in consecutive throws making Hill Top the winners.

As the results were announced, we still had hopes of playing in the final against Birchfield 1 (who had won League 1).

We finished joint first place along with Hill Top who also had twelve points, because they had beat us in the last game they were awarded it as a head-to-head win, putting them into final and not us.

To say all the team were disappointed is an understatement! They worked so hard and played some brilliant dodgeball so I too was gutted they hadn't gone through. One thing I can say though is that they were fantastic representatives of the school.

Well done to: Harry Webster, Grace Harrison, Amelia Hartley, Cameron Tasker-Ainscow, Isabel Bennett, Lincoln Kershaw, Phoebe Hill and Oliver Cox.

Thursday - PFI World Cup Football Tournament

Well, what a day yesterday was!! Our school football team took part in a 5-a-side, World Cup event which was organised by PFI, who own our school building. Our designated team was 'Germany'. The event was in Barnsley and PFI had organised coach transport with free hot food and drinks for all the players and families attending. The event was absolutely brilliant. Fifteen schools from across Leeds and Barnsley participated and were split into three leagues, playing games six minutes long.

Our first game against Joseph Locke School was completely dominated by us. Two cracking goals from Joshua, with amazing crosses from Lincoln, and we ended with a 2-0.

Our second game against Lacewood, was a little trickier. With Harry again in goal we were soon treated to another great goal from Josh, which put us in the lead. However, this didn't last long as a penalty was given against us for one of our players slightly stepping into the goal area (this wasn't allowed). We were a little upset about this because only a minute earlier the ref had said to 'play on' when this had happened at the other end of the field! Still, we fought on and were gutted when they scored another with only a few seconds remaining of the game. We had to settle for a 2-1 loss.

Back to it in our third game against Horsforth, with Andason having a turn in goal, Luke did a brilliant run and smashed the ball into the back of the net. A brilliant 1-0 win.

As the results were announced, out of the fifteen teams we had come best runner up with the most goals so were through to the semi-finals.

What a fantastic game this was against Spring Vale. The boys were on fire!! Goals from Josh and Andason gave us a great lead and with some superb defence work by Cavan and Ben we were confident of a win. A penalty awarded to us and smashed into the goal by Lincoln secured us a place in the final.

We were up against Lacewood again in the final as they had won our league. A real battle took place as both teams desperately wanted the win. Unfortunately for us, with only a minute remaining, Lacewood scored and we couldn't come back from it. To finish second out of fifteen schools is absolutely amazing and I am so very proud of all my boys. To say a tear or two was shed is an understatement (from all of us!)

Massive well done to my boys: Luke Parkin, Ben Waite, Cavan Appleyard, Lincoln Kershaw, Joshua Akita, Harry Smith and Andason Parnell. I am so proud of you for finishing in second place!

What an amazing week of sport!!

J. Fletcher

Helpful telephone numbers- Leeds Anti - Social Behaviour Team: 0113 222 4402

Childline: 0800 11 11 Leeds Domestic Violence 24 hour helpline: 0113 2 460401

Out of hours service for ongoing noise 6.00 pm -3.30 am: 0113 395 0143

NSPCC: 0808 810 800 Leeds Domestic Violence 24 hour helpline: 0113 2460401

Home Start-Support and friendship for families 0113 244 2419 or email office@home-startleeds.co.uk