



Arunside Announcements Week Commencing Monday 15th July 2024

School Traffic and Infrastructure Issues

Many of you will be aware of the concerns that the Arunside community has about traffic and the associated infrastructure issues at school drop-off and pick-up times. A small working party has been established with the aim of improving safety for the whole community and you are invited to submit your feedback via a questionnaire by clicking on this [link](#).

Y5 trip to The Royal Mews – Buckingham Palace – Thursday 18th July

To ensure our trip runs smoothly on Thursday, we ask parents to note the following:

- Please can all children arrive at school and head to the ball court between 7:45-8:00am to be registered by their class teacher.
- At 8am, we will board the coach ready for a prompt departure at 8:10am.
- If your child/ren suffer with travel sickness, please ensure they have taken the required medication in plenty of time or wear a travel sickness wrist band.
- Children need to bring a packed lunch, bottle of water and a healthy snack.
- There are no cloakroom or storage facilities at the Royal Mews so children will need to carry all their belongings around with them in their school backpacks.
- Children must wear their school uniform (ties are not necessary) and comfortable shoes for walking. Please ensure they are prepared for all weathers.
- Children must not bring mobile phones/ electronic devices or money but can bring a small suitable activity to occupy them on the coach journey e.g. book, travel game, notepad and colouring pencils, etc).
- The coach is expected to arrive back to school by 4pm, however, this is dependent on traffic. We will keep the school office updated on our estimated time of arrival.

We hope the children and staff have a lovely day!

Family Reading

Our EYFS and KS 1 family reading on a Friday morning ended for the summer Term on 12th July. We do hope you have enjoyed the sessions and we look forward to welcoming you back in school again next year!

Reaching Families:

The Summer term dates for the Parent Support Group for parents/carers of children with special educational needs and/or disabilities have just been released. Further information can be found at: <https://www.reachingfamilies.org.uk/umbrellas.html> Our nearest venue is The Horsham Family Hub, (Three Acres, Horsham RH12 1RS) which will run on 17th July 2024.

Year 5 Parents Meeting re the Residential Trip to Marchants Hill in 2025

We invite parents of children in Year 5 to attend a meeting after school on Tuesday 16th July at 3:30pm to hear about the plans for the residential trip for Year 6 to Marchants Hill in Summer 2025. If you are unable to attend, the slides will be available on the school website shortly after the presentation.

Library Books and Reading Books

We sold a total of £1469.82 of books at the recent book fair which gives us an amazing total of £808.40 in commission to spend on books in the future. Thank you to everyone who visited the fair and who purchased books.



We will be collecting in all reading books from Monday 15th July, which means the children in Early Years and Key Stage One won't get a new reading book given to them on Tuesday next week. Please have a look at home for any books you might have and return these if you find one. Once the books are returned an audit will be carried out to get everything organised for September.

The children in Early Years, and Year 1, 2 and 3 will shortly bring home a summer reading challenge. Please encourage your child to complete these reading activities during the summer holidays and then return the completed sheets to school by Friday 6th September. The class who returns the most will have a treat of a film and snacks one afternoon.

We still have many library books that have not been returned. Please do have a good look through the book shelves at home. If a book is from the school library it will have a small barcode inside the front cover.

Key Dates for the Diary

- Tuesday 16th July - 3:30pm - Y5 Meeting about Marchants Hill 2025
- 18th July – Y5 trip to The Royal Mews – Buckingham Palace
- Friday 19th July – Reports home to parents
- Friday 19th July – Year 6 Leaver's Disco
- Tuesday 23rd July - 9:30am - Y6 Leavers Assembly for Y6 Parents
- Tuesday 23rd July Last day of Term
- Monday 2nd September – Inset Day
- Tuesday 3rd September – Back to school – Autumn Term 2024

Week 10 – Fun with Words

Think of a natural object and see if you can draw it. Can someone in your family guess your word?