

15.9.23

So, the end of the first full week back draws to an end and we are back to capacity with our new EYFS children in full time for the first time today – and wow didn't they do well. It has been lovely meeting the latest additions to Silverdale, and yesterday I had a most enjoyable lunch time building sticklebrick models with a number of children on the EYFS playground, (I was rather proud of Peter the Giraffe!)

Across the academy this week the children have been fully engaging in their learning, making amazing progress already, and sharing their knowledge at any given opportunity. Alongside this week's newsletter is our first Reading Newsletter of the term, please take a couple of minutes to have a read through. Reading is so important for the children, and we would like to encourage you to read as much as possible with your children at home, this may be them reading a book to you, or you reading them a bedtime story. Many of the children took part in the Summer reading challenge, although the summer holidays are over, the digital version of the challenge still has two weeks to go.

Weekly Attendance Winners are:
EYFS – Year 3 – Maple Class – 97.4%
KS2 – Elderflower Class – 98.9%
Whole School – 93.4%

EYFS 2024

Open Events 2023! Find out more about your child joining our academy in September 2024 at one of our open events. Take a tour, and meet our inspiring teachers, Principal, and students.

To book your place today, visit: <https://bit.ly/3RdRQWa> #openday #startingschool

TIMETABBLE ROCKSTARS

Our first official week of TTRS has shown great participation across the academy, so this week's league table is based on % active. So in 3rd place are Elder with 93% active and joint 2nd place is Elderflower and Lime with 97% active and in 1st place with a MASSIVE 100% active is Juniper! Come on Silverdale we need to knock them off the top spot- Keep practicing and increase your rockstar status to ROCK LEGEND!!

SECONDARY OPEN EVENTS

Explore your child's future: Secondary School Open Days

Is your child embarking on their secondary school journey next September? Exciting opportunities await as we invite you to our secondary academy open days, also proudly affiliated with The University of Brighton Academies Trust.

The St Leonards Academy Open Days ([Home - The St Leonards Academy](#))

3 October 2023, 6:00-7:00pm
6, 11, and 13 October 2023, 9:00-10:00am

The Hastings Academy Open Days ([Home - The Hastings Academy](#))

25-29 September 2023, 9:30-10:15am and 10:15-11:00am
5 October 2023, 5:30-8:30pm

Please visit the academy website to book your place!



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SPORTS LEADERS AT SILVERDALE

Towards the end of last year, we asked children who were interested to apply for the role of 'Sports Leader'. The response was incredible, and in the end 60 children were chosen from Years 4, 5 & 6 for the role. These children have all volunteered to give up some of their lunchtime to help younger children at lunchtimes. Their role includes refereeing & setting up games, helping children who might be struggling to find a game to play and also helping out with all the lunchtime equipment. They started this week, and are already making a fantastic positive difference at lunchtimes.

YEAR GROUP UPDATES

This week we have seen the new children in Early Years grow in confidence each day. They have shown such resilience and courage. The story, 'Owl Babies' has supported the children too, it is about 3 owls missing their mummy, who then returns at the end, just like their grown ups do at the end of their school day. We are very appreciative of the understanding during this staggered part of the year and equally reassured how parents/carers value it too. Despite the slightly shorter sessions the children are very tired, but they will adjust to longer and busier days at school. We are amazed how quickly they are settling and adjusting to new routines, especially lunch times. The children are making friends naturally; reuniting with ones from nursery but happily creating new friendships. It has been a very positive start at Silverdale and we are so proud of all the children. Have a lovely and restful weekend; recharged for a full time week ahead. And so their magical journey begins...

Week two, and another busy week for Year One. We hope the children have told you all about their movements and pictures they have been doing in English and all about the number learning they have amazed us with! What else have the children been doing? ... ask the children about weather. Our Geography this week explored weather patterns! We have also spent time this week learning about Internet safety and how to stay safe when using technology. A super important topic for us this term. Reading books have been changed (this happens once a week) and Bug Club has new books and activities for your children to engage with over the weekend. Some of these might be familiar, but it is important to re-visit learning! Happy weekend!

In year 2, the children have truly been putting in their best effort across all subjects. In English, our young writers have astounded us with their mastery of persuasive language as they created advertisements for their very own cruise line. They incorporated impressive techniques such as alliteration, hyperbole, and questions. In Maths, year 2 has been diligently working on their place value skills, applying them to real-world scenarios involving money and measurement. In science, they've delved into the fascinating world of metals, learning about their properties and what is made of metal. In computing, Year 2 have been focusing on online safety, learning the importance of not sharing personal information and always seeking a trusted adult's guidance when unsure about online activities. Lastly, in History, the children have embarked on a journey through time, exploring how people travelled in the past and comparing it to the present. Have a wonderful weekend!

Year 3 have had a busy second week. In English, the children have continued work on Stone Age Boy. They have written character and setting descriptions using adjectives and adverbs. Here are a few of the amazing phrases we have read: *The smoke from the fire lit up the cave paintings they were sunset orange and amazing; Many years ago, a young boy was on a walk and he could see lovely trees, glistening water and blue skies; the trees were as straight as rulers. the cave was pitch black like the night sky.* Next week they will be writing an alternative ending to the story. In maths we have continued work on place value and different representations including money. Everyone has risen to the challenge of doing reasoning and problem solving. In science the children have been taking a close look at different rocks to see if they could identify which type they are. In RE the children listened to the Christian creation story then created their own collage of some of the amazing things in the world using magazines. We are continuing with the theme of online safety in computing. Well done to all the children for their hard work!

Year 4 have had a great second week! In English and DR, the children have been reading our year group text 'The Mousehole Cat'. At the start of the week, they made predictions about the story based on the front cover and the blurb. We have also been focussing on adventurous language linked to storms. The children have been working on applying this language within their descriptive writing. In geography, they have been researching facts about

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Mousehole (a real life village in Cornwall). As we move through the term the children will continue to make comparisons between the two locations. In maths, the children have continued with their work on place value, developing their understanding of tenths and hundredths. They have applied this learning to a variety of questions, allowing them to deepen their understanding. In music, the children really enjoyed exploring the concept of body percussion. They had a go at creating various sounds and rhythms using their feet, hands and torso. Date for your diary - On Tuesday 10th October, we will be hosting a quick parents meeting (in Lime class) about the statutory Times Table assessment that your child will complete towards the end of the academic year. The meeting will be held at the end of the school day, please meet us on the KS1 playground at 3.20 (or once you have collected your child/children).

Year 5 have had another great! In DR, we started reading our book, which is called 'The Lion and the Unicorn'. This is about a little boy called Lenny, who was evacuated, during World War II. This has tied in with our English this week, as we have been looking at diary entries. On Friday, the children wrote an entry from Lenny's point of view. In maths, we have continued with place value, however, this week, we have been looking at decimals and measure. In history, we have been learning about how the war started. In geography, we have been identifying what makes up the British Isles. For computing, we have continued to learn about online safety. IN PSHE, we were looking at Children's rights. We hope you all have a lovely weekend and we cannot wait to see you all on Monday.

This week Year 6 have enjoyed getting stuck in to our English novel 'Who Let the Gods Out?' where we have met our main character Elliot, and an immortal constellation girl called Virgo. We know that Elliot has a tricky home life and cares for his ill mum and he is finding the bills tricky, this week we have been practicing our formal letter writing ready for next week when we write as Elliot to his loan company to request an extension to his mum's loan. In maths we have been working hard revising our place value skills, focusing particularly on ordering and comparing decimal numbers. We played a great game called Yoikes which really helped us understand the order of decimals. In Art we started to look at Greek Vases, looking carefully at designs and understanding how the Greeks once used them. In Computing we started our Online safety topics, having great discussions about how useful and fun being online can be, but then how much of worry it can be if we don't use it safely. We've kickstarted our RE learning too having great debates about the creation of Earth and why people believe different things about the creation of the world – touching upon Christianity beliefs and scientific/non-religious beliefs. We've also had fun this week looking after our pet Llamas by revising Grammar topics on Rollama, and practicing our Times Tables on Times Table Rockstars. Next week we dive into the world of rounding numbers and look forward to writing our formal letters, and starting our science topic of Light. Have a great weekend!

ATTENDANCE:

We continue to use the direct email for our Attendance Officer. If your child is absent, please report this via attendance@silverdaleprimaryacademy.org.uk rather than phoning the office.

Have a great weekend and we will see you all Monday morning

Mr Morris & the Silverdale Team



Dates for your diary 2023-24

20.10.2023 – INSET

4.11.2023 – PTA #legendary Silverdale Bonfire and Fireworks (Times TBC)

9.11.2023 - All years - Influenza Nasal Spray programme – Information to follow.

21.11.2023 – New EYFS open event (Sept 24 intake) 10.00am

28.11.2023 – New EYFS open event (Sept 24 intake) 2.00pm

6.12.2023 – New EYFS open event (Sept 24 intake) 4.00pm

2.1.2024 – INSET

9.2.2024 - INSET

28.3.2024 – INSET

22.7.2024 – INSET

23.7.2024 - INSET

OUT OF ACADEMY OPPORTUNITIES



Ark Alexandra Academy

*“Meet our teachers and hear
from our Head of School to see
what makes us great”*



Open Evening

Thu 21st Sept 2023 from 4:30pm to 7:30pm



Location

Ark Alexandra Academy
Helenswood Campus, The Ridge
St. Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN37 7PS



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Mr Zak Vice



Open Evening

You are warmly invited to attend our
Open Evening on Thursday 12 October
6.00-8.00pm.

Open Morning Tours will be held 9.10 & 10.10am
on 9th - 10th - 11th - 16th & 17th October.

Advance booking for the **Open Morning** tours is
essential; please contact Reception on
01580 880360 to book.

*Tour spaces are limited, so please book early
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Hastings & Bexhill RFC

RUGBY IS BACK!!



THE MINIS & JUNIOR 2023/24 SEASON STARTS THIS WEEKEND



Rugby at H&B returns this weekend for the Minis and Juniors.
Whether your new to the game or coming back for another season.

Minis Rugby - Under 7s through to Under 11s - Sunday mornings from 9.30 to 11am;

Junior Rugby - Under 12s through to Under 18s - Wednesday evening from 6.45 to 8pm and Sunday mornings from 11.30am to 1pm

Girls Rugby - Under 12s to Under 16s - Wednesday evening from 6.45 to 8pm and Sunday mornings from 11.30am to 1pm

FIRST SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2022

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