

THE ARC SCHOOL OLD ARLEY WEEKLY REVIEW

Another brilliant week at Arc School has flown by, filled with curiosity, adventure and a touch of British weather mischief. Our Year 8 students embraced the excitement of the Big Bang Fair at the NEC and explored the National Justice Museum, while Willow Class pupils enjoyed a hands-on day at the Thinktank. Meanwhile, our intrepid Duke of Edinburgh students took to the water for a fantastic canoeing session. All of this happened against a backdrop of sunshine, showers and even a surprise hailstorm — sometimes all within the same hour. With Open Evening and our Engagement Reward Trips just around the corner, please keep an eye on the calendar; there's plenty more to look forward to in the coming weeks.



Antonio	Logan
Chase	Myles
Cobie	Noah E
Damian	Olivia
Ethan	Ryan
George H	Toby
George T	Tristan
Isaiah	Vinnie
Jack	
Kaleb	
Kodi	
Kyle	
Laylah	
Leah	
Leo	
Leon	



- **Learners achieving 90% or more**
Toby, Myles, Dylan, Laylah, Antonio, Gorge T, Damian, Olivia, Ethan, George H, Daisy, Leon, Leah and Kodi
- **Learners achieving 80% - 90%**
Isaiah, Cobie, Kyle, Cyrus, Josh, Vinnie, Leo, Jack, Tyler, Harrison and Tristan
- **Learners achieving 70% - 80%**
Nikolai, Noah E, Mason, Logan and Emily

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 21st July – Break up for summer holidays at 12.30pm

Wednesday 2nd September –
Return for a brand new school year 26-27!

Reminders:

Please reply to Sadie's email in regard to new uniform for September ASAP please.

If your child is absent for any reason, please inform the school before 9am on each day of absence via the school office on 01676 543200 or by email to r.benard@kedlestongroup.com or arcoldarley@kedlestongroup.com giving the reason for absence and an expected date of return.

Vote Question:

New question:

Out of the countries below, which would you most like to visit:

- 1) Barbados
- 2) Japan
- 3) Iceland
- 4) New Zealand



Voices of the earth (VOTE) focus this week: the world

The theme The World invites learners to explore the global connections that shape our lives, communities, and futures. It encourages students to reflect on their place in the wider world, understand the diversity of human experiences, and consider the responsibilities we share as global citizens. Through this theme, learners will develop curiosity, empathy, and a deeper awareness of global challenges and opportunities.

Kids say
the
funniest
things

Written by: everyone!

‘we really enjoyed the big bang fair- we got to do keyhole surgery on a dummy’

‘todays STEAM activities were good and it got really competitive’

‘we visited a court and got to role play, Kylie was the judge and Chase and Harlie pretended to be convicts!’



WhatsApp for Under 13's



WhatsApp has long been one of the most commonly used messaging apps by families, including some children under 13. While it can be a useful way for children to stay in touch with trusted adults and friends, it has also raised concerns around unknown contacts, group chats, location sharing and messages that parents/carers may not be aware of.

Meta has now introduced parent-managed accounts for WhatsApp. These accounts allow a parent or guardian to link their own WhatsApp account to their child's account and manage key safety settings.

What can parents manage?

Unknown contacts

Messages and group invites from people who are not approved contacts can be sent to the parent/carer for review.

Group chats

Parents/carers can decide which groups their child can join, helping to reduce the risk of children being added to unsuitable chats.

Location sharing

Location sharing is restricted, giving parents/carers more control over privacy and safety.

View once messages

Children using parent-managed accounts cannot receive "view once" messages, which helps reduce hidden or disappearing content.

Parent notifications

Parents/carers can receive updates, such as when a new contact is added.

Parent PIN

Settings are protected by a parent/carer PIN, so children cannot easily change safety settings themselves.

Why does this matter?

Messaging apps can feel private and hard for adults to monitor, especially when children are part of group chats. Parent-managed accounts do not replace open conversations, but they do provide families with more tools to support safer communication.