



Argyle
Primary
School

NEWSLETTER

OUR VALUE FOR MARCH IS POSITIVITY



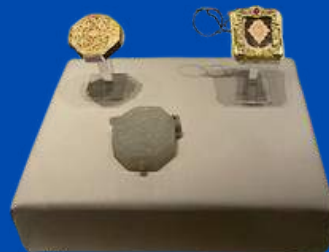
Argyle pupils attend 'Year 2 Reads!' ECR7 event at The British Library



HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week children have thought about the significance of religious beliefs and rituals in our lives. Many have continued to mark Ramadan – with some of our oldest children fasting and organising themselves to pray each lunchtime. They have listened to Father Chris talk about Holy Week and Years 1 and 2 visited Holy Cross Church with their Easter gardens. In school forum they shared their ideas and listened to one another's different approaches to special times. Our children have a good understanding of the importance of faith and are looking forward to spending special time with their families over the next two weeks. We have all worked very hard this term and we wish you a peaceful two weeks of rest, relaxation and celebration. Happy Easter, Ramadan wishes and ... when the time comes – Eid Mubarak.



Henry VIII bible and Tiny Qurans on display at The British Library

J. Wade
Head Teacher



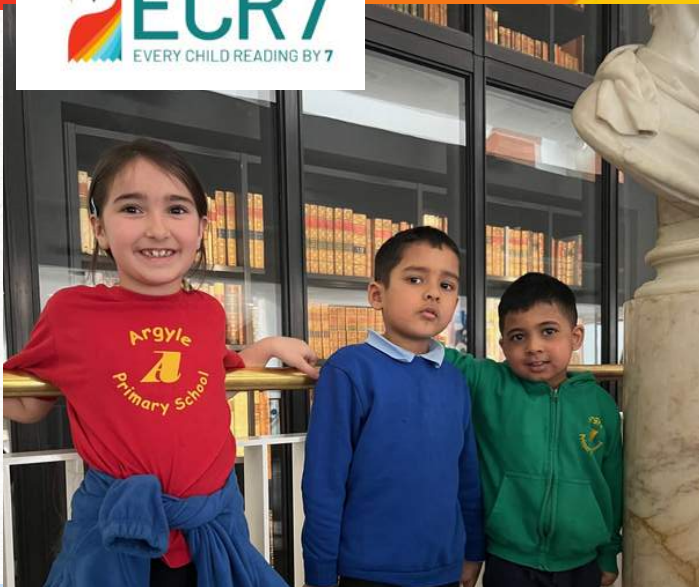
RECEPTION



In the final week of the Spring term, the children in Reception have been completing their exploration of the sea. They have learnt about different animals that live in the sea and have read a range of stories linked to the theme. This week however, the children looked further at world maps and learnt about the seven different continents. We also learnt about the five main oceans and thought about how people sailed across the oceans.

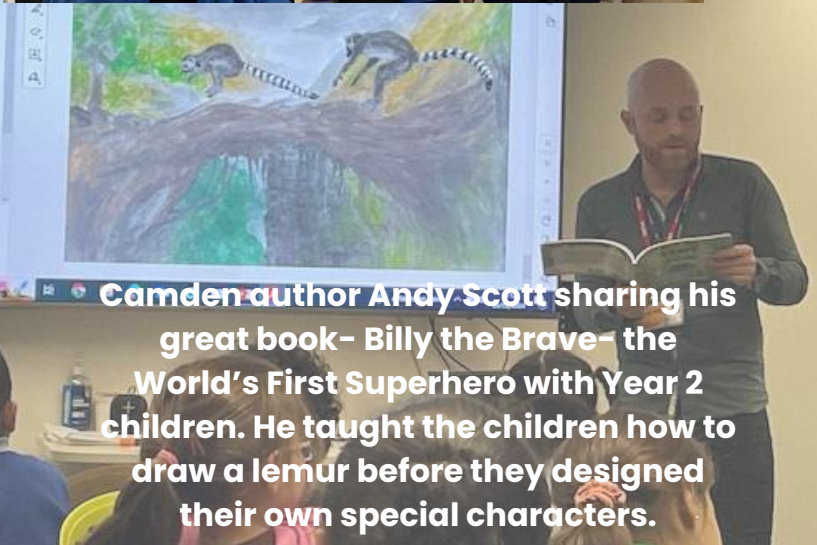
Our new topic will be Exploring Gardens and Growing. Over the Easter break the children will grow and care for their own bean plant. Please bring in your plants when you return to school on Tuesday the 16th April and we can continue to grow them in our garden.





On Tuesday, Dahlia, Yaqub and Ahsan participated in a storytelling session corresponding to the Camden wide initiative, **Every Child Reading by 7**. The children met three authors who brilliantly captured the children's attention and imagination as they read from their books.

Dahlia exclaimed, '**All the authors were really kind. I like the Lizzy and Belle Mysteries book because the pictures are pretty and realistic.**' Yaqub added, '**I enjoyed listening to the dinosaur story, Billy the Brave, because it was fun and made me happy.**' Lastly, Ahsan summarised the experience as '**Great! I liked the Beast & the Bethany book.**'



Camden author Andy Scott sharing his great book- Billy the Brave- the World's First Superhero with Year 2 children. He taught the children how to draw a lemur before they designed their own special characters.



Entranced by the story teller

Highgate Woods

Linked to Science and last weeks learning the children explored the Highgate woods on Monday looking through carefully micro habitats to find minibeasts.



The bumblebee was on the tree but I do not know if it was alive because I did not go too close, it can sting!

- Mani

The woods is cold for some of the minibeasts

-Musa

The slug is sleeping inside the log

-Mascud

Easter Garden

The children in a small group made a class 'Easter Garden'. We took this to the Church and gave it to Father Christopher.



Father Chris asked - **What is kindness?**

Erhan - Showing respect.

Zelle - Sharing is kindness.

Hussein - Being fair to my friends.

Children then asked Father Chris (FC)
Nouran - When will the colours change in the church?

FC - On Saturday this church will become all golden.

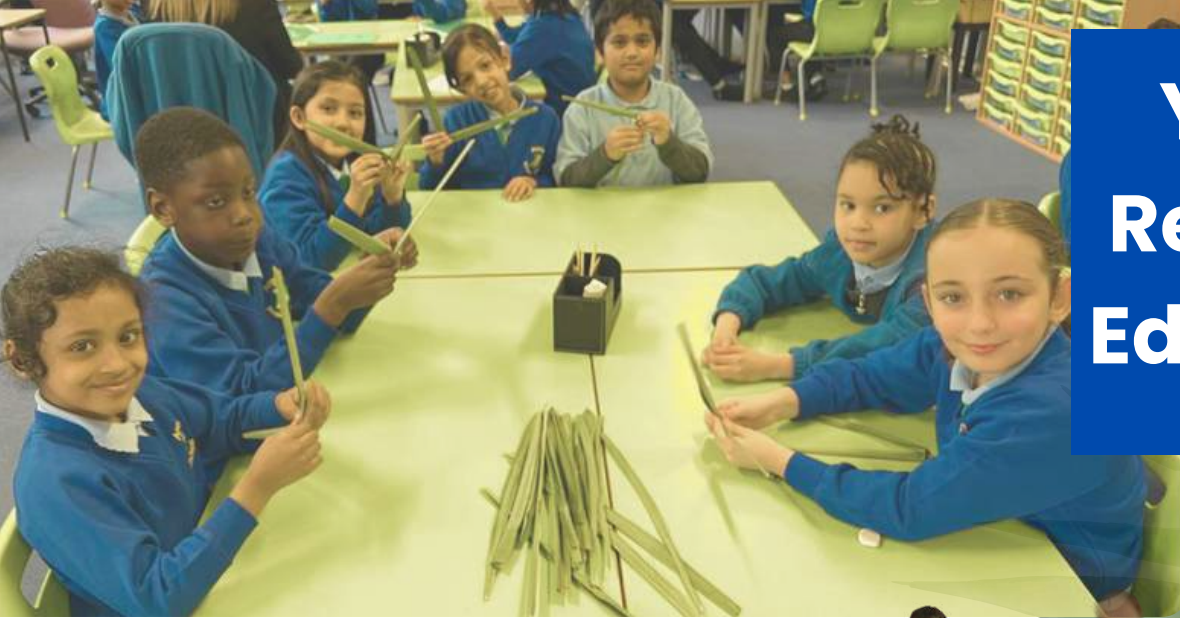
Marharyta - Why does the Easter candle have 2024?

FC - A is Alpha meaning the beginning and the O is Omega meaning forever.

Ibrahim - like mosque is important for me the church is important for you.



Year 3 Religious Education



Year 3 students engage in a hands-on religious education lesson as they craft intricate palm crosses. Delving into the symbolism and significance behind the tradition, these young learners embrace the spirit of Easter while honing their creativity and understanding of religious practices.



“ When Jesus entered the Jerusalem, people started to pick huge leaves from palm trees and waved them with happiness to greet him. - **Adam M** ”



“ I enjoyed making crosses and talking about different holy symbols. - **Aisha** ”



FAMILY LEARNING CENTRE



Employment Workshop

Thank you to all the Parents and Carers who came along to the Employment Workshop on Friday.

Stephen who is an Employment Officer has many links and he helps with volunteering roles within the community, courses to support employment and has contacts with local companies. He is also able to help you explore and sign up for Apprenticeships that suit you and your family's needs. If you missed out this week and would like to get in contact with Stephen, please talk to Sharmina and she will be able to help you get in touch with him.

Flying Families

Flying Families has come to an end. A massive 'WELL DONE' to all the families for their commitment especially during Ramadan- your dedication did not go unnoticed!

Our families worked together building on new ariel skills each week and in the final session each family choreographed their own performance. The projects Community Lottery grant manager, Sophie Mathias, came along to see what our families have been working hard on.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

All entries on the calendar have been sent via ParentHub, please check your child's class channel for more information. Remember to check your ParentHub often and, as always, if you forget to open the app, it will email you all the messages you've missed.

MARCH 2024

Easter Holidays
Friday 29th March - Monday 15th April

APRIL 2024

Monday 15th

INSET DAY

Tuesday 16th

Pupils return to school at 8.40am

Event: Parents evenings for Nursery to Year 5 begin

Wednesday
17th

Trip: KS1 visit London Zoo from 10am - 3pm

Trip: Selected Year 3 & 4 girls at Football Tournament from 9.15am - 2.45pm

Thursday 18th

Event: Year 3 begin swimming lessons

Trip: Year 5 attend Earthfest Day at Granary Square from 9.30am - 3.15pm

Event: NHS Dental Fluoride Varnish Programme - Reception to Year 2

Friday 19th

Event: Eid Class Parties

Monday 22nd

Trip: Emerald class visit The Tate Modern Gallery from 10.15am - 2.45pm

Event: Afterschool Clubs begin

Tuesday 23rd

Trip: Amber class visit The Tate Modern Gallery from 10.15am - 2.45pm

Wednesday 24th

Trip: Opal class visit The Tate Modern Gallery from 10.15am - 2.45pm

Thursday 25th

Workshop: Diorama Theatre visit Year 5

Attendance & Punctuality



Week	6	7	8	9	10	11
Jet	89%	85%	96%	94%	83%	91%
Topaz	93%	93%	88%	89%	90%	89%
Amber	94%	89%	98%	93%	96%	95%
Emerald	93%	95%	95%	93%	90%	85%
Opal	96%	91%	97%	96%	98%	92%
3 Garnet	88%	95%	97%	96%	95%	98%
3 Pearl	91%	97%	99%	88%	94%	94%
4 Onyx	100%	97%	94%	87%	88%	91%
4 Quartz	99%	93%	98%	95%	91%	98%
5 Amethyst	90%	91%	98%	98%	95%	92%
6 Sapphire	92%	96%	99%	96%	98%	97%
Total	93%	93%	97%	93%	93%	93%
Camden	94%	94%	94%	94%	-	

Well done to
3 Garnet, 4 Quartz and
6 Sapphire
for attaining the target of
96% attendance this week.

Congratulations to
Emerald class for winning
the KS1 attendance cup the
Spring term.
And to **4 Quartz** for winning
the KS2 attendance cup.

Our whole school
attendance from
September to date is 94%.

Reporting Absences

Parents should report any absences to the school office by calling 02078374590 before 9.30am.

Please do not leave messages on the answering machine.
A member of staff may call you again to discuss the absence.

Please do not send emails to the admin inbox.

Every School Day Counts

REMINDER OF SCHOOL HOLIDAY & TERM DATES 2023 – 2024



Easter Holidays: Friday 30th March 2024 – Friday 12th April 2024

Summer Term 2024 (65 days)

Summer 1: Monday 15th April 2024 – Friday 24th May 2024 (28 days)

Pupils return to school on **Tuesday 16th April 2024**

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024 – Friday 31st May 2024

Summer 2: Monday 3rd June 2024 – Wednesday 24th July 2025 (37 days)

Summer Holidays: Thursday 25th July 2024 – Friday 30th August 2024

Inset Days

- Monday 15th April 2024
- Monday 17th June 2024

Bank Holidays

- Good Friday Friday 29th April 2024
- Easter Monday 1st April 2024
- May Day Monday 6th May 2024
- Spring Bank Holiday Monday 27th May 2024
- Summer Bank Holiday Monday 26th August 2024

2024–2025 Autumn Term 2024 (73 days)

Autumn 1: Monday 2nd September 2024 – 25th October 2024 (38 days)

Pupils return to school on **Wednesday 4th September 2024**

Half Term: Monday 28th October 2024 – Friday 1st November 2024

Autumn 2: Monday 4th November 2024 – Friday 20th December 2024 (35 days)

Christmas Holidays: Monday 23rd December 2024 – Friday 3rd January 2025

Caterlink Dinner Menu

Summer Term 2024

Spring Summer 2024	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE	Option One NEW All-Day Breakfast (V) Option Two Chicken, Cheese & Tomato Pizza slice (V) Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Apple Flapjack	Option One Hearty Penne Bolognese Option Two Beef Penne Bolognese Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Peach Upside Down Cake and Custard (V)	Option One Glamorgan Sausages, Mash Potatoes & Gravy Option Two Chicken Sausages, Mash Potatoes & Gravy Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Yoghurt & Fruit (V)	YAMAS! Option One Cheese Whirl with Rice, Tzatziki & Salad (V) or Greek Chicken Pitta with Rice, Tzatziki & Salad Option Two Greek Chicken Pitta with Rice, Tzatziki & Salad Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Eves Pudding (V)	Option One Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce Option Two BBQ Quorn with New Potatoes Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Yoghurt & Fruit (V)
WEEK TWO	Option One Chicken Pasta in smooth tomato sauce (VE) or Option Two Carbonara Pasta with Toppings (V) Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert NEW Iced Biscuit & yogurt	Option One Homemade Lentil & Bean Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce Option Two Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Apple Crumble with Ice Cream (V)	Option One Quorn Roast, New Potatoes, Stuffing and Gravy Option Two Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Fruit Medley & Yoghurt (V)	Option One Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry and Rice Option Two NEW Chicken Fajitas with Rice Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Jelly with Mandarins	Option One Fishfingers or Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce Option Two NEW Herby Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Yoghurt & Fruit (V)
WEEK THREE	Option One NEW Vegetable Stack with Rice (V) Option Two Beef Bean Chili with Rice Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Peach Crumble with Ice Cream (V)	FIESTA ESPAÑOL Option One Spanish Spiced Balls with Potatos Bravas or Chicken Paella with Potatos Bravas Option Two Chicken Paella with Potatos Bravas Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Summer Lemon Cake (V)	Option One Parsnip and Sweet Potato Loaf, New Potatoes, Gravy Option Two Roast Chicken with New Potatoes & Gravy Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Fruit Platter & Yoghurt (V)	Option One Classic Mac & Cheese (V) Option Two Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Chocolate Shortbread	Option One Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce Option Two Cheese & Bean Pasty with Potato Wedges (V) Vegetables Vegetables of the Day (V) Dessert Yoghurt & Fruit (V)

MENU KEY

Added Plant Power
 Wholemeal
 Vegan
 (V) Vegetarian

Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings: Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise, Cheese (V) - Bread freshly baked on site daily
 Daily salad selection
 Fresh Fruit

ALLERGY INFORMATION:

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.

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 feeding the imagination

Our New Menu

The lunch menu will be available in the SCOPAY app in April.

