

## ARK Boys Singing Day



Boys from Years 5 and 7 came together to take in an incredible event. 270 boys from across ARK schools in London gathered together to dispel the myth that 'boys don't sing!' They all received certificates and badges for their efforts.

### P.E. Kit

As previously mentioned in the newsletter, we are experiencing a high number of pupils wearing incorrect trainers. Please ensure that children are wearing **plain white trainers** on their P.E. day. Where pupils are wearing incorrect shoes, they will be asked to change into a spare pair. If you have any queries about any part of the school uniform or kit, please refer to the following: <http://kingsolomonacademy.org/school-culture/uniform>

### Attendance procedures

Please remember that if your child is unwell and must miss a day of school you should call the school absence line to tell us. This should be done for every day of absence in order to authorise the absence. Absences will be authorised at the discretion of the school. In exceptional circumstances where a child has been off for more than three days, or where historical attendance is very poor, a doctor's note is required to authorise their absence. We thank you for your ongoing support with this.

### Appointments

We understand that occasionally pupils may need to miss a short period of school to attend emergency or inflexible appointments. These will be authorised if documentation is provided to your child's Head of Year in advance of the appointment. Any non-urgent appointments (e.g. dental/ doctors check-ups, opticians' appointments) should be made for after school, or for during the holidays. These will not be authorised during the school day. We appreciate your support in ensuring your child is in school and learning at all opportunities.

### Parent Coffee Mornings:

Week	Date	Topic	Led by
6	8 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>INSET</b>	<b>INSET</b>
7	15 <sup>th</sup> December	Secondary Curriculum at KSA	Ms Crompton

### Key Dates:

Please see below for key dates during half term 3. Key dates for the follow half terms can be found in last week's newsletter.

Half Term	Date	Time	Activity
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Half term 3	8 <sup>th</sup> January	15.15-17.45	Primary parents evening with sharing of assessment data, session 1
	15 <sup>th</sup> January	15.15-17.45	Primary parents evening with sharing of assessment data, session 2

### Parents evening

Please remember to log onto the parent booking system to book your meeting with your child's class teacher (link on the home page of the website). This will be a chance for parents to hear how their child is progressing and how they can be best supported at home with their learning. Personal log in details for all pupils were sent home last Friday.

Booking is now open for the January parents evening sessions.

### PSHE

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December we will be having our second session from our first PSHE cycle of this year. The children will be learning all about how to keep themselves healthy. We will be inviting parents from Years 5 and 6 to a workshop about sessions that will be delivered to pupils in upper key stage 2 on December 12<sup>th</sup>. The time of this is yet to be confirmed and will be emailed very soon. If you would like more information on the PSHE curriculum please refer to the following: <http://kingsolomonacademy.org/pastoral/pshe-curriculum>

### Clubs

This week marks the end of the Autumn term clubs. We hope that you have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the clubs that you signed up to. Letters for the new club cycle have been sent out and are now available to sign up to on the parent booking system. Please note that pupils should now be in full school uniform until the end of term unless it's a P.E. day.

### Sayers Croft

On Monday morning pupils from KSA and APG will come together and depart from Bell Street at 9:00 a.m. for our very first Junior School residential of the year! We are super excited to host this amazing trip and will keep the school Twitter feed updated with all of the fun and exciting activities that we carry out. We ask parents to drop pupils off as usual and those who wish to see their children off should remain on Bell Street. We look forward to sharing stories of the trip with you next week!

### This week's Junior School Attendance

**Target:** 96.5%+

Class	Attendance %
Derby	92.9%
Queen Mary	90.4%
UCL	98.8%
Newcastle	96.7%
Leeds	95.8%
Birmingham	95.5%
Warwick	99.2%
Nottingham	98.4%

**Have a great weekend!**

Ms. Kumar,

Head of Juniors.