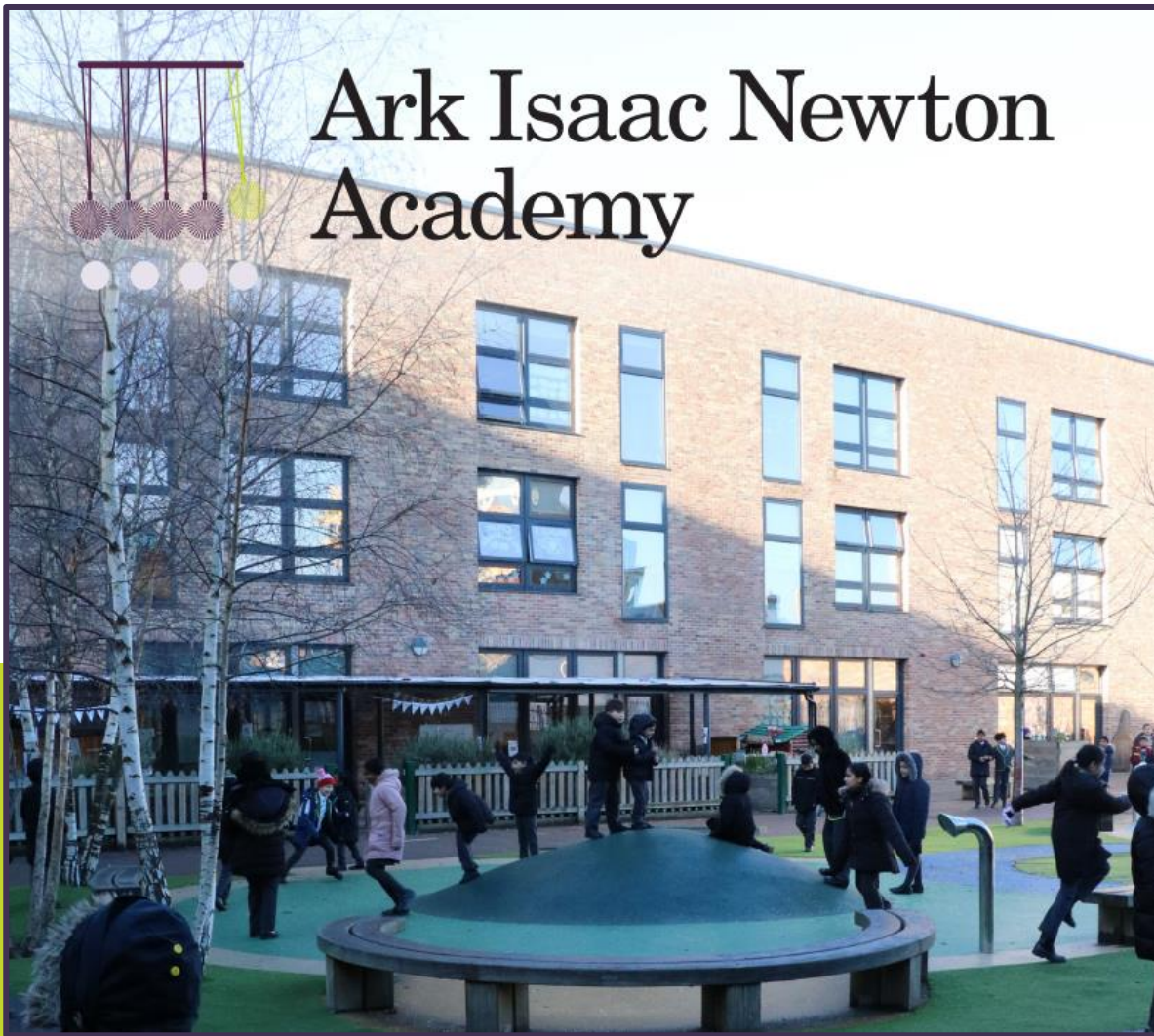




Ark Isaac Newton Academy



Primary Parent Information

10th May 2023

Welcome to our new Reception pupils and parents and carers!

Aims of the session:

- The School Day and the Reception Curriculum
- Family Dining
- Enrichment
- School Uniform
- IPay impact
- Admission Form
- Home Visits
- Story-time Transition Event
- Meet the Teachers
- Starting School in September



Our core purpose

At Isaac Newton Academy our aim is to equip every child with the knowledge, learning power and character necessary for success at university and beyond



The School Day

8.25 The gate is opened

8.45 Pupils line up outside their classrooms

8.45 Registration (including morning activities)

9.00 Assembly (Mondays & Fridays)

9.15 Phonics

10.00 Morning Break

10.15 Literacy Lesson

11.00 'Fruit and Talk' time

11.15 Maths Mastery

12.00 Story-time and handwriting

12.20 Lunch

1.20 Afternoon registration

1.25 Exploration learning time based around the half-term's topic

On Fridays, children will have music and PE lessons taught by subject specialists

3.20 Maths Meeting

3.45 Home Time

School closes early every Thursday at 3.00pm and at 4:00pm on Mondays when enrichments are taking place.



The Reception Curriculum – Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

The curriculum will provide every child the opportunity to develop the following skills:

- Communication and language
- Personal, social and emotional development
- Physical development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design



The Reception Curriculum

- Literacy daily
- Phonics daily – Read Write Inc.
- Maths daily – Maths Mastery (concrete, pictorial, abstract and Maths Meetings)
- Fine motor skills development daily – handwriting practice
- Themed topic-based lessons
- Music, RE, PE, PSHE, drama
- Story-time daily



BRIDGES

Dispositions and Characteristics



- B = Bravery
- R = Resourcefulness
- I = Integrity
- D = Discovery
- G = Grit
- E = Emotional Intelligence
- S = Self Discipline

“We build too many walls and not enough bridges.”



BRIDGES at the Academy

- A BRIDGES assembly every Monday
- BRIDGES language used in lessons
- BRIDGES vocabulary around the school and in classrooms
- BRIDGES highlighted in weekly newsletters for parents to refer to and support learning at home
- BRIDGES progress recognised in Friday assemblies
- A shared language with the secondary staff and pupils



Family Dining at ARK Isaac Newton Academy

- Every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is entitled to a free school meal every day
- Everyone eats lunch together, in the dining hall
- No one goes home for dinner
- Lunch is freshly cooked and prepared on site daily
- Vegetarian, halal and non-halal options are available every day. We cater for those with allergies
- A free piece of fruit or a vegetable is available every day
- No food or drink from home
- Milk is also provided for all children in Reception



Enrichment

- All our staff offer a free club so that every child can take part in a fun, extra-curricular activity each week!
- 3:00pm to 4:00pm every Monday



Uniform

Items which must be purchased from Khalsa Schoolwear:

- Blazer, jumper/cardigan, tie, PE kit, book bag/back-pack

Items which are optional:

- Rain jacket

Items which can be purchased from the high street:

- White shirts/blouses, grey trousers/skirts, socks & black shoes
- Every item of clothing must be clearly labelled
- Day to purchase uniform at the end July at INA



Essential Items

These are items that must be brought to school.

- Book bag or back-pack
- Reading book and reading record (from January)
- **A spare change of clothing**



Cashless Ipay Impact System at Isaac Newton Academy

- Payment for trips
- Payments for Breakfast and Afterschool Club
- Lunches (from Year 3 onwards)



Primary Admission Form

- As your child joins the INA family, we will need to collect information from yourselves, via our Primary Admission Form.
- The link for your Primary Admission Form can be found on your 'Welcome to INA' letter, which we have emailed to you.
- All families need to submit their completed online Admission Form for their child and signed up to a Home Visit by Tuesday 16th May.
- If you have any queries regarding the online Admission Form, please email primary@isaacnewtonacademy.org or phone 0208 911 6666.

Home Visits

- Once you have completed your online Admission Form, we can carry out a home visit.
- An opportunity to get to know each child and yourselves
- A chance to discuss progress and achievements from pre-school or home
- We can clarify information on the admission form
- We will discuss Parent/Carer Handbook (Policies & Procedures/Home Academy Agreement)
- We will answer any questions
- It will last approximately 30 minutes.
- Your child will also need to be present for the home visit.



Story-Time Transition Event

- In June this year we will hold a story-time event, where you will be invited to meet the teachers and for your child to experience the school environment.
- The teachers will read a story with the children.
- Parents/carers will have a chance to look through key resources, chat with teachers and see the learning environment in a neighbouring classroom.
- These events will take place between 22nd and 28th June 2023.

Meeting the Teachers



Ms West
Head of Primary



Ms Haines
Principal



Meeting the Teachers



Mr Marshall-Jones
Vice Principal



Ms Jeremy
Assistant Principal



Ms Chowdhary
Associate
Assistant Principal



Meeting the Teachers



Ms Vincent
Administrative Services
Lead



Ms Uddin
Early Years Lead

Reception Team

Ms S Hussain

Ms Raje

Ms Shehzad

Ms F Hussain

Ms Venugopalan



Starting School in September

- First day of school – **Wednesday 6th September** for one hour and 15 minutes. Parents will stay and meet with the a member of the Primary Senior Leadership Team, and the children will explore and play in their class with their new teacher and classmates.
- Second day of school – **Thursday 7th September.** Parents will drop off their children and they will stay in school for two hours. One hour in class with their teacher and one hour experiencing lunch.
- From **Friday 8th September** children will be in school full-time.



Key Dates

- Home Visits will run between 17th May and 20th June 2023
- Story-time Transition Events will run between 22nd June to 28th June 2023
- Uniform Purchase Day at INA: Tuesday 25th July 2023
- Meet the Teacher: Wednesday 6th September 2023 (1 hour and 15 minutes visit - times tbc)
- Children Start School: Thursday 7th September 2023 (2 hours including lunch)
- First Full Day: Friday 8th September 2023



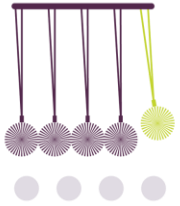
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