



Dear Parents/Carers

What a wonderful, and busy, term we have had! From parent workshops, to the real-life nativity, the Christmas Fair, music concerts and so much more. We are truly lucky to be able to offer our pupils such a diverse range of experiences and we could not do this without your continuing support. A huge thank you to all parents, staff and pupils who have worked tirelessly this term to ensure all our pupils have a bright future.

Sad goodbyes

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to two members of staff, Mrs Coffey and Mrs Al-Zeer at Christmas. Mrs Coffey will be leaving to take up another teaching position in Birmingham and Mrs Al-Zeer will be moving to London. We wish them both all the best and thank them for all their work at Ark Tindal - they will both be missed here.



Tindal Babies



We are delighted to announce that Mr Blake and his wife had a lovely baby boy, Rupert, at the beginning of December - congratulations to them both!

We can also announce that our Tindal family will soon be growing further. Dr Abbotts, Mrs Stokes and Mrs Zaman are expecting babies and we are sure you will join us in congratulating them.

Head of School's Homework

The winter period brings us so many opportunities and so I challenge the pupils to create a piece of work entitled, 'What winter is to me'. I always enjoy seeing the way our pupils let their imagination drive these pieces of work and they always look so wonderful displayed around the school.



Homework

As a school we have invested in Spelloidrome and Mathletics to ensure that pupils can consistently access their homework (and no one can forget to bring it home!). You should have received login details along with a user guide, if you haven't please speak to your child's teacher. Home work will be set weekly and must be completed by Wednesday of the following week. There will be a homework club for any pupils who do not have internet access at home - please let us know if you would like your child to attend.

Snow ❄️

Thank you for your patience during the recent snowfall. All decisions are made with the health and safety of our pupils, staff and parents in mind. We appreciate that each family faces different challenges to get their child to school in difficult weather so we appreciate the efforts made by all to be in school and learning every day.

Prefects

Our prefects are doing a sterling job making a difference to our school and our Head Boy and Girl are taking the lead in organising the team.

Finally, from all at Tindal may we wish you have Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you again at **6A-Dance on Thursday 4th January 2018**.

Best wishes,

Mrs R Eaton

Meet our Staff - Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Team

 <p>EYFS Lead</p>	 <p>Nursery Teacher and SENDCo</p>	 <p>Nursery Teacher</p>	 <p>Reception Warwick Teacher</p>	 <p>Reception Coventry Teacher</p>	 <p>Graduate Co-Teacher</p>
<p>Hello, I'm Mrs Ivins. I've been working in education for 8 years and teaching at Ark Tindal for 4 years. I grew up in a family of teachers so I always knew that I wanted to teach! I went to the University of Northampton to study for a degree in Early Childhood where I specialised in teaching under 5s. After that, I came to Ark Tindal to train to become a primary teacher with the Ark Teacher Training programme. When I'm not in the classroom I can usually be found spending time with my family and walking my dog, Jim!</p>	<p>My name is Mrs Tahira and I'm the school SENDCo and Nursery teacher. I joined Ark Tindal in July 2017 and have enjoyed every minute of my time here. I love being part of the whole community and hopefully making a difference. I have BA in Education from Goldsmith College, University of London with a specialism in the Early Years. I am currently doing my SENCO award at University alongside my role.</p>	<p>Hello, I am Miss Saboor and I am one of the Nursery Teachers. I joined Ark Tindal as a Receptionist in the Office in 2014, but I have a degree in Early Childhood Studies from Newman University and now teach in the Nursery. In my spare time I love to meet up with my friends and spend time with my family. I love working as part of the Ark Tindal community and with all of my colleagues.</p>	<p>My name is Miss Luhar and this is my first year at Ark Tindal and I am very excited to be teaching in Reception. I have an English Language degree from Aston University where I then went on to complete my teacher training in Early years. When I am not in the classroom, I love spending time with my family and reading! I am an avid reader and a keen traveller. I would love to explore the world, see new places and meet different people!</p>	<p>Hi, my name is Miss Burns! I originally trained as a mental health nurse, working in several different hospitals in Birmingham over 4 years. I re-trained as a teacher last year, teaching in Reception, which I love. I really enjoy being creative and making things with the children. I also really love animals and this is one of my favourite topics to discuss with them! I don't like eating meat because I am a life-long vegetarian. I also have a pet leopard gecko, named Ernie!</p>	<p>I am the Graduate Co-Teacher for Early Years. I obtained a BA in English and American Literature this summer at the University of Birmingham although I hail from St Albans, near North London. It is fantastic to be involved with the children's early development and to gain some experience in the varied world of teaching. I am an avid reader, and my favourite books growing up were those in the Harry Potter series. I also enjoy walking my dog, Rufus, and travelling as much as I can in the holidays!</p>