



# ARK SPRING NEWSLETTER 2025



Welcome back to ARK for the Spring Term. It is lovely to have already seen so many familiar faces, in addition to some new ones. You may even have noticed that I am getting slightly better at putting names to faces. I'm not completely there yet, however, so please be patient with me!

I have made some new flyers with a [blue QR code](#) that should take your friends straight to the booking page in Eventbrite. I hope that you will take some to share with your community, and to invite your friends along to join us.

**ON NOW:** I have planned an exciting programme for Ark this term that I'd to share with you. The theme this term is:

## JESUS: THE GIFT

The idea of receiving gifts at Christmas time is something our toddlers start looking forward to as soon as the shops start selling Christmas trees in October, if not sooner! This term I am exploring the idea that Jesus is God's gift to us all, not just for Christmas, but for every day of our lives.

We will unwrap special events in Jesus' life together to help our toddlers to get a feel of who Jesus was then, and who He is now for them. We will be hearing about Jesus' free meals for 5000 people, his miracles and amazing stories, his wisdom and understanding, and most of all his love for everyone, no matter what they may have done. I hope that our toddlers will feel a little of the excitement and anticipation the crowds would have felt back then when Jesus came to town!

**ON NOW:** 'Pit Stop' is our new after school club on Wednesdays each week, from 3pm-4.30pm. It is for Primary School children and their families. There are hot and cold drinks, home-made cookies, board games, activities and the opportunity to have a chat whilst the children socialise and play games together. No booking needed, simply turn up and bring your friends and family.

### COMING SOON:

**EASTER MESSY CHURCH:  
Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 4-6pm**

This event is suitable for all the family and is already open on Eventbrite for bookings. There will be seasonal crafts and fun events, including an egg hunt and cake decorating. Party food will be available for the children, with hot drinks and light refreshments for the adults. It is not to be missed, book your place now!

### WATCH THIS SPACE:

We have another Messy Church planned for May to celebrate Pentecost, and a Holiday Club planned for July when local schools have broken up for the summer holidays. Watch this space!

## DATES FOR ARK THIS TERM

**JANUARY: 8<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup>, 22<sup>ND</sup>, 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**FEBRUARY: 5<sup>TH</sup>, 12<sup>TH</sup>, 19<sup>TH</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>**

**MARCH: 5<sup>TH</sup>, 12<sup>TH</sup>, 19<sup>TH</sup>**

**APRIL: 2<sup>ND</sup>**

## HOUSE KEEPING

The outside door will be locked at 10.30am for your safety. Please call Victoria: **020 8295 1550** or Catherine: **07533 665505** if the doors are locked on your arrival. Thank you and enjoy!

We would like to remind you to take your toddlers' nappies home with you for disposal, in order to keep our facilities clean and fresh for everyone. Thank you for your understanding.