

## totheparents

I hope that you all enjoy the two week break; I am looking forward to spending the first week on the upper junior ski trip.

The summer term offers a whole host of activities, events and opportunities that will make it both challenging and extremely enjoyable for all our pupils.

PS Hopkinson  
Headmaster

## gallerytrip



The Year 6 pupils turned art critics and artists recently, as they visited the Grundy Art Gallery in Blackpool.

The first part of the session involved looking at the work of two very different artists: Jennifer Douglas, a contemporary sculptor, and Utagawa Hiroshige, the 19th century Japanese artist who specialised in highly stylised woodblock prints. Pupils discussed the inspirations of both artists and were encouraged to talk about their favourite pieces.

The children then turned artists themselves attempting to recreate a picture of Blackpool in the style of Hiroshige inspired by Japanese music in the background. The children really enjoyed their afternoon.

## egghunt



Despite Easter being unusually early this year, it didn't deter over 30 families joining in the first Arnold Junior School Easter Egg Hunt. The afternoon was great fun and it was a delight to see the children in their Easter bonnets and hats and to marvel at the entries for the egg decorating competition. Even the local seagulls decided to join in the Easter Egg hunt, mistaking our toy chicks for something a bit tastier. We were also joined by Fit for Sport, who clearly enjoyed judging the Easter Bonnets and decorated eggs. The afternoon was rounded off with a few games of bingo, courtesy of Mr Storey, who has now secured a summer job on the Golden Mile!!

Many thanks to the PFA who helped organise the event and served refreshments throughout the afternoon. As well as being a fun afternoon we also raised over £350 for future School projects.

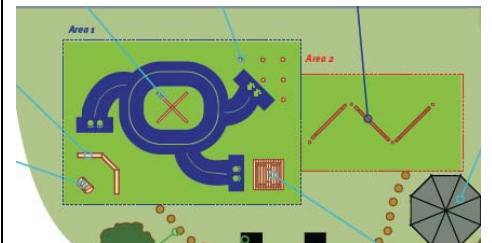


## kindergartennews

We are about to sign a contract with ESP, the company chosen to develop our Kindergarten play area. This means that the work will take place during the summer term and will mean that our Kindergarten pupils will benefit from the area over the summer months.

The development will include an extended wet play area, featuring a wigwam, weaving posts, story area and trim trail. There will also be a fence to enclose the area supplied by Funky Fencing of Lytham, which itself will incorporate planters.

This will be a great addition to the facilities here at Arnold and the Kindergarten pupils and staff will certainly enjoy the opportunity of playing outside on a stimulating, safe and secure play area.



*Plan of proposed play area*

## mrsbrown

I am sure you will join the School in saying a very big thank you to Mrs Brown, who has been providing maternity cover for Mrs Buck in Reception. Mrs Brown has proved to be a very popular teacher, both with the pupils and her colleagues, and has worked hard in ensuring that her pupils have received the expected levels of teaching and pastoral care. We all wish her every success in the future.

## parentchild

There has already been a very positive response to the Parent/Child Weekend at The Glaramara Centre. It really is a fantastic weekend at a great venue and is ideal for all ages. Remember to return your booking form as soon as possible as places are limited.

## summeruniform

Pupils will be expected to wear summer uniform following the May Bank Holiday when the children return to School on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May. If you have queries about what your child should wear after this date, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office.

## tescovouchers

We are once again collecting Tesco 'Computers for Schools' vouchers. There is a collection box in the main foyer.

## diarydates

**April 28<sup>th</sup> – May 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Year 4 visits to Almond Lodge

**May 5<sup>th</sup>:** Junior Choir Musical, 'The Tempest', 7.00 pm

**May 12<sup>th</sup> – May 16<sup>th</sup>:** Key Stage 2 SATs

**May 17<sup>th</sup>:** Junior School Open Morning

**30<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June:** Parent/Child Weekend, Glaramara

**June 10<sup>th</sup>:** Reception Parents Induction Evening, 7.30 pm

**June 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>:** Year 3 visit to Almond Lodge

**June 30<sup>th</sup>:** Infant Sports Day (afternoon)

**1<sup>st</sup> July:** Junior Sports Day (afternoon)

**10<sup>th</sup> July:** Junior Prize Giving/Year 6 Leavers' BBQ

## housepoints

	Weekly	Total
<b>Jebb</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>1619</b>
<b>Scott</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>1541</b>
<b>Ryder</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>1402</b>
<b>Dickens</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>1857</b>

## housegala

The House Swimming Gala was a tremendous sporting event from start to finish. There were 44 races in all, as well as Year 5 and 6 diving competitions, and the level of performance and commitment throughout was most impressive.



There were many outstanding individual displays and children received individual trophies for their endeavours. However, the gala is all about teamwork, and Scott were the worthy winners of the overall competition.



## parenthelpers

We are in the process of adding considerably to our School Reading Scheme. This will provide a great deal more depth to our scheme and ensure that our pupils continue to make excellent progress with their reading.

In order to protect the new reading books we would like to back them all with the old Blue Peter favourite: sticky back plastic. In order to do so we need some parent volunteers.

If you are able to help at the beginning of next term please let Mrs Woodhead (Y3) know.

Thank you in advance.

## happybirthday

A happy birthday from everyone at Arnold to the following children who have celebrated their special day recently or who will do over the next four weeks.

Benjamin	Armstead	1EA
Phoebe	Coulon	REC E
Benjamin	Shearer	REC E
Max	Green	KINA
Matthew	Garrod	6SO
Katie	Gay	KINA
Sophie	Thomas	6NO
Fenn	Breakell	1EA
Paige	Butcher	5NO
Sai	Kollipara	5NO
Harvey	Shaw	1EA
Michael	Coyne	5SO
Hattie	Ross	KINA
Ben	Turner	KINA

## infantcertificates

Every week in the Infant Assembly pupils are awarded certificates for doing all sorts of good things around school. The most recent winners are:

**Reception:** Emily Peacock, Joseph Hopkinson, Ben Mayhew, Annoushka Christopher

**Year 1:** Harry Baines, Olivia Broadbent

**Year 2:** Harrison Thomas-Cooper, Jakob Warrilow, Jenny Lucking, Cheran Saravanan

**Playground friends:** Sam Haythornthwaite, Timothy Phillips

## puzzlecorner

**Lateral Logic:** What falls but never breaks? What breaks but never falls?

**Arnold Anagrams:**

Romans tango jrs (actor/OA)

**Last Issue's Answer:**

**Lateral Logic:** He is playing monopoly!!

**Anagram:** Kylie Minogue

Answers in the next issue