



**Our value for September is
Friendship**



Newsletter

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Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new school year. A special welcome to all families who are joining us for the first time. We are delighted that you have accepted a place at Argyle and hope that your child will be happy here and will truly flourish. We look forward to getting to know you all well. The parent school relationship is a crucial one and we will work hard to build a really positive relationship with all of you.

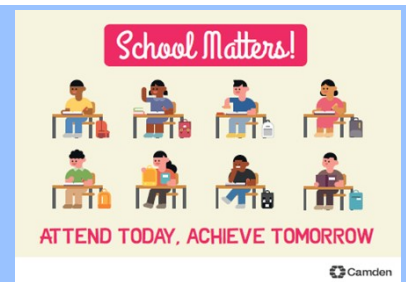
The new academic year has started in a truly momentous week. A new Prime Minister and a new monarch and the end of the second Elizabethan reign. We will remember this time.

As a school we have many challenges ahead. In this edition I share our School Improvement Plan priorities with you and in the coming weeks I will tell you more about how we intend to meet our priorities - and how you need to help us. It is very clear that children reach their potential when schools work very hard, when the child is supported to work hard and when families actively support school.

I am excited about how much we can achieve together this year.

Jemima Wade, Headteacher

Welcome to the academic year 2022 - 23
This is the Autumn Term
There are 70 days in this term



Attendance - Must Improve!

I would like to say a special THANK YOU to all families who ensured that their children were in school from the very start of term -Monday. Overall attendance this week has been inadequate with only 80% of the school here on Monday, so this is an area where we clearly need to do better! We expect all children to attain and maintain 96% attendance or higher.

Here are some ways to keep your child's attendance

1. Do not book holidays during term time. If there is an exceptional circumstance, you must complete a form from the office before booking your tickets. The headteacher will consider your request. You may be fined if you take your child out of school without permission.
2. Always book dental, optician and GP appointments outside school hours where possible. If it can not be avoided, book them for after lunch, this way your child get full attendance marks for the day.
3. If you have an appointment in the morning after 9.15am, please bring your child to school first to be marked into the register. Tell the office and they will arrange collection of your child so you make your appointment. Do not keep children at home for 9.30am or later appointments.
4. Download ParentHub and ensure you are connected to your child's account which will allow you to track your child's attendance daily.
5. Prepare school things (uniform, bag, homework etc.) the night before.

Argyle's past pupils excel at GCSE

We wanted to share the success stories of some of our past pupils who have excelled this year in their GCSE examinations. There are also some outstanding ex Argyle 'A' level results at Camden schools which have been celebrated on secondary school websites..

Below are the official statements from Regents High School of the outstanding individual performances from past Argyle pupils:

Nadia Hussain, who joined Regent High School from Argyle Primary School, achieved an **absolutely incredible 11 grade 9s** in Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, English Language, English Literature, French, Further Mathematics, Geography, Mathematics, Product Design and Physics. Nadia is this year's highest achieving student, and the highest achieving student in the school's recent history. Nadia said that she was most proud of her Further Mathematics grade, and will take that with her as she moves to King's Mathematics School to study A Level Further Mathematics, Mathematics, Physics and AS Level Economics, with a view to then progressing on to university. Nadia advised younger students to 'take your mocks seriously to prepare for your revision, and to use past papers'. Nadia said that Regent High School prepared her for her exams 'really well', and attributed that to her achieving so highly today.

Abdalla Batah was a pupil at Argyle Primary School and was awarded six grade 9s in Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Geography, Mathematics, and Physics, as well as one grade 8, one grade 7 and two grade 6s. He is most proud of his grades in Mathematics and Physics, and will use this success to study those subjects and Geography at Regent Sixth Form. He plans to study Software Engineering at university. Abdallah told younger students to 'start as early as you can', and to 'follow your own path if others don't work'. He would recommend Regent High School because the teachers are 'really helpful'.

Mohamed Cheddar, who came to Regent High School from Argyle Primary School, was awarded two grade 9s in Biology and Chemistry, four grade 8s, one grade 7, three grade 6s and one grade 5.

Mahida Ahmed, who also went to Argyle Primary School, achieved one grade 9 in Mathematics, seven grade 8s, one grade 7 and two grade 6s. Mahida will be studying Economics, Mathematics and Psychology at UCL Academy, before then continuing her studies at university and working in the finance sector. Mahida appreciated the 'variety of offer and good teaching' at Regent High School, and reminded new Year 10 students that 'it is an important year; revise early on so that you are less stressed later'.

Sarina Motlagh who attended Camden School for Girls who achieved thirteen GCSE's and was awarded twelve 9s and one 8.

Congratulations to all of our past pupils who have achieved their GCSEs and A levels who are now on their way to college and university to continue their individual learning journey.

We wish you all the best of luck.



School Improvement Plan Priorities 2022-23

Key Priorities

Priority 1- Disadvantaged

1) Continue to ensure that the school closes the gaps in the attainment of disadvantaged pupils where they exist.

Priority 2- Early Career Teachers

2) Ensure that Early Career teachers are expertly inducted and supported throughout the academic year so that the quality of teaching and learning in their classes enables pupils to make at least good progress.

Priority 3 – SEND

3) Continue to develop staff skills and knowledge in relation to SEND, refining understanding of best practice and good progress for children with a range of SEND needs so that pupils with SEND continue to make the best possible progress.

Dates for your diary

All entries on the calendar have been sent to the applicable parents via Parethub, please check for more information. If you need any help with ParentHub, speak to the school office.



IMPORTANT
DATES

Monday 12th September	Event: Year 6 Welcome meeting PE: Year 3 & Year 5 -the same day each week for the Autumn term
Tuesday 13th September	Event: Year 4 Welcome meeting PE: Year 2, Year 3 & Nursery -the same day each week for the Autumn term
Wednesday 14th September	PE: Reception & Year 1 PE: Swimming Year 6 -the same day each week for the Autumn term
Thursday 15th September	Event: Year 5 Welcome meeting PE: Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6 -the same day each week for the Autumn term Event: Governors Meeting
Friday 16th September	Event: Year 1 Welcome meeting Event: Coffee Morning 9am - 11am PE: Year 1, Year 4 & Year 5-the same day each week for the Autumn term
Monday 19th September	Event: Year 2 Welcome meeting Trip: Year 6 leave for residential to Little Canada Trip: Year 4 visit Greenwich Music: Instrumental Lessons begin
Thursday 22nd September	Event: Year 3 Welcome meeting
Friday 23rd September	Trip: Year 3 to Chiltern Open Air Museum
Monday 26th September	Event: Reception Welcome meeting



School Term and Holiday Dates: 2022-2023

Autumn Term

Thursday 1st September – Friday 21st October 2022 (35 days)

Pupils return to school on Monday 5th September 2022

Half Term Holiday

Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

Monday 31st October - Friday 16th December (35 days)

Christmas Holiday: Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January 2023

Spring Term

Tuesday 3rd January – Friday 10th February (28 days)

Pupils return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2023

Half Term Holiday

Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February

Monday 20th February - Friday 31st March (30 days)

Easter Holiday: Monday 3rd April – Friday 14th April 2023

Summer Term

Monday 17th April – Friday 26th May (28 days)

Half Term Holiday

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2023

Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July (34 days)

BANK HOLIDAYS

Monday 2nd January 2023 – New Year's Day Bank Holiday
Friday 07th April 2023 – Good Friday
Monday 10th April 2023 – Easter Monday
Monday 1st May 2023 – May Day
Monday 29th May 2023 – Spring Bank Holiday
Monday 28th August 2023 – Summer Bank Holiday

INSET DAYS

Thursday 1st September 2022
Friday 2nd September 2022
Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Friday 21st April 2023
Thursday 28th June 2023 or
Friday 29th June 2023 TBC