



Newsletter

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News, information and events
from Alexandra Primary

Our value of
the month is
Cooperation

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL AWARDS

We are delighted to report that this week Alexandra Primary school has been notified it has achieved the Bronze Award for Rights Respecting Schools. This award is a very clear indicator that the school is committed to being a Rights Respecting School.

Children and staff have worked extremely hard to ensure that as a school community we know and understand our rights and how they impact on our everyday life. We must offer a huge thanks and congratulations to Ms Stone, the member of staff responsible for leading on this in the school, she has worked with great enthusiasm to enable this prestigious award to be achieved.

We will shortly receive our certificate from UNICEF which we will display proudly in the office entrance to the school to celebrate this achievement.

Our next step is to strive for the Silver Award.

FAMILIES WEEK

Families Week is happening at Alexandra Primary during the week **Monday 21st – Friday 25th May**.

Families Week will be an opportunity for children to consider the question, Who am I? This question links to article 7 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, "Every child has the right to a name and a nationality". Our learning and celebrations will centre on the statement, **"There is Power in a Name."**

To introduce the week, children will attend a whole school assembly on Monday. Throughout the week, children will be using texts to explore this theme through Destination Reader and writing lessons. They will also create a piece of artwork and learning through a PSHCE lesson about families on the theme, "Different Families, Same Love."

Please come along to join in and celebrate this week on:-

- **Thursday 24th May** Parents are invited to join their child for the day in the workshop, A Day in Politics. (further information to follow later)
- **Friday 25th May** 2.30pm – 3.30pm: Gallery of children's work produced in Families Week in the ground floor hall.

We hope to see you at these events to celebrate Families Week with us.

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CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Class assemblies are on **Friday** morning in the main hall at **9.05**.

The class assembly gives the children an opportunity to share their work and their learning whilst developing skills of presenting to a large audience.

We had an outstanding assembly last week from year 5 Venezuela where all of the children presented their work with great clarity and confidence. Well done to Ms Mackey and all of the children in Venezuela class.

Also a very big thankyou to the parents and carers of the children in Venezuela class who attended the assembly to support in such large numbers.

ENABLING ENTERPRISE

This term Alexandra Primary began working with a company called **Enabling Enterprise**. They work in partnership with schools and employers to support children to develop the resilience and enterprise skills required to help prepare children for future success.

The project aims to develop a core set of eight employability skills and enterprise capabilities in all children: Aiming high, Staying positive, Listening carefully, Sharing ideas, Working in a team, Leading, Using imagination & Problem solving.



This term will see projects starting in Year 4 and EYFS.

Year 4 children will be designing a chocolate bar.

This will involve using their maths skills to decide the ingredients, creating a brand and producing a TV advert. Their work will be celebrated in an end of term **assembly** for parents on **Tuesday 17th July at 2pm**.

In **Reception**, the children will become fashion designers. They will learn about clothing and materials and create their own designs. The children will showcase their work in a **fashion show for parents** at the end of term on **17th July at 9am**.

The whole school will be taking part in a **challenge day** on **Thursday 24th May** (during families week) where families will be invited to join their children to work on a project where they will create their own political party.

COOPERATION IN RECEPTION

Reception children have been learning cooperative skills and the importance of clear communication. They have started a project in small groups where they build models by taking on certain roles; the architect asks for a specific Lego piece needed for their design, the supplier needs to listen to the specification, find it and pass it on to the builder who is the only one to put the pieces together in order to create the model. Using this hands on project has helped the children to practise their listening and co-operative skills as well as developing their vocabulary for describing.

Have a go at home with your family.

Best wishes,
Manjit Dulay & John Coggin
Leadership Team



Class

Date	Class
Friday 11 th May	5 Puerto Rico
Friday 18 th May	3 Bolivia
Friday 25 th May	3 Argentina
Friday 8 th June	6 Espana
Friday 15 th June	6 El Salvador
Friday 22 nd June	2 Colombia
Friday 29 th June	2 Chile
Friday 6 th July	1 Costa Rica
Friday 13 th July	1 Cuba

KEY DATES

Summer Term 2018

School closed -
Bank Holiday
Monday 7th May

WC 21st May
Families Week

Half term ends
Friday 25th May

School closed
Monday 28th May
-Friday 1st June

Staff INSET
school closed
Monday 4th June

Return to school
Tuesday 5th June

WC 25th June
Health, Fun and
Fitness Week

Friday 13th July
2:45 –3:00
Parents Open
Afternoon
(including reports
to parents)

Summer Term
ends Friday 20th
July at **2pm**

AutumnTerm 2018

Return to school
Wednesday 5th
September

