



## Newsletter 17 March 2017 Issue 12

News and events from  
Alexandra Primary

## Our Value of the Month is: **Happiness**

### DEPUTY MAYOR VISITS ALEXANDRA PRIMARY



during Maths Week.

The Deputy Mayor also spent time in some sessions of Class Council. This new way of approaching school council ensures that all pupils from across the school are part of the council, not simply two or three children who get elected for the whole year. The children worked in teams to

This week, we were delighted to welcome Joanne McCartney, the Deputy Mayor of London to our school. Her area of responsibility includes Education and Childcare. While visiting classrooms, Joanne McCartney talked to pupils about their learning, she saw first hand the range of investigations they were engaged in



debate, to share their opinions and raise issues. The Class Council takes forward projects and is involved in planning things like the charity work the school undertakes. Their latest project was to plan Red Nose Day.

Earlier this month, Claire Kober, the leader of the Council visited the school. She toured the classes looking at Daily Supported Reader in Year One and Destination Reader in other year groups across the school. The Leader of the Council was very impressed with the



wonderful behaviour for learning she saw across the school. Alexandra Primary pupils' enormous enthusiasm for learning was evident in every classroom. Claire Kober also saw our wonderful singing assembly and commented on the inspirational rendition of the school song, 'Aspire, Achieve, Enjoy'. A marvellous performance by all our amazing pupils!



### INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- Deputy Mayor Visit
- Maths Week
- Red Nose Day
- Assemblies
- End of Term Celebrations

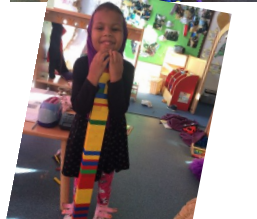


## MATHS WEEK

Over the last 5 days children have been enjoying Maths Week. Alexandra Primary has been celebrating all aspects of number and problem solving. The whole school's Maths this week focused on investigations and learning number facts such as times tables. On Monday and Tuesday, children were engaged in working on investigations that developed their reasoning skills. On Wednesday, we welcomed parents into school to learn times tables with their children in class. A range of games such as 'Ping...Pong' had parents and children counting in multiples or rapidly recalling their times table facts.

Thank you to all the families who came for the 'drop in' maths session.

Thursday and Friday's lessons focused on Maths and Art. Classes used Art to inspire work on a range of Mathematics including: tessellation, symmetry and angles. Year 4 class engaged in an exciting Maths Treasure Hunt. The week ended with a celebration of the learning. Pupils and families visited the Main Hall to see the displays from each class and share the wonderful Maths learning from this very successful week. A huge thank you to our Maths Leader, Gill Foster and all the team for making Maths Week such an exciting and inspiring experience. Thanks also to our pupils and their families for their wonderful work in promoting numeracy in our school.



## KEY DATES

### Spring Term 2017

#### Parents Evening

Tuesday 21st March &  
Wednesday 22nd March

#### Red Nose Day

Friday, 24th March 2017

#### End of term finish date:

31st March 2017 at 2pm

### Summer Term 2017

#### School closed for teacher training

Tuesday 18th April 2017

#### Return to school

Wednesday 19th April 2017

#### Half Term:

Monday 29th May 2017—  
Friday 3rd June 2017

#### Return to school

Monday 5th June 2017

#### School closed for teacher training

Monday, 3rd July 2017

## RED NOSE DAY



The school's Class Council has been working on the plans for Red Nose Day. A flyer will go out this week to share their ideas with families. We are looking forward to enjoying the day and

raising money for children here in the UK, and in other countries, who are not as lucky as we are at Alexandra Primary.

## ASSEMBLIES

The Class Assembly schedule for this term is on the website and the school APP. Also, the school will text reminders for families each week. Year One are delivering the last two assemblies this term. Dates are in the table opposite. Thank you to Bolivia and Mexico classes for their wonderful assemblies. It was amazing to hear about all your learning and everyone was impressed by how confidently you all performed. Well done

24th March 2017	1 Cuba
31st March 2017	1 Costa Rica

## END OF TERM CELEBRATIONS

At the end of the Spring term we are having two events. On Tuesday, 28th March, we will be holding Alexandra Primary Spring Music Recital to celebrate the wonderful achievements in music this term. The times will be 9.20am and 2.30pm. Invitations will be sent to parents next week. On the last day of term, we will finish the day with an Easter Parade at 1.30pm. More details to follow.



Best wishes,

Manjit Dulay and Michelle Ginty  
**Leadership Team**

