

Newsletter 5th October 2018 Issue 21 News, information and events from Alexandra Primary

WE ARE LONDONERS MUSICAL SHOWCASE

On Friday 21st September we had a musical singalong to celebrate the start of year introductory topic, "We Are Londoners." The afternoon was a great success. Families and children had the opportunity to do some community singing before going into class to look at the work outcomes.

On a very blustery, windy afternoon the children (and families) sang their hearts out to a range of songs reflecting the musical legacy of London. Many parents made extremely positive comments after experiencing the showcase and the children's work in class.

Some of the comments included, "Great fun! The children and staff have worked so hard." Comments about the work and learning included, "Really enjoyed it — they have done a lot in a few weeks." "Thanks for the session so early in the school term. I enjoyed seeing them with their new teacher." Thankyou for your attendance, support and very positive comments.

We also need to thank Ms Kennedy, Ken and Mr Croall who worked tirelessly to make the topic and musical showcase the success it was.

ATTENDANCE

We continue to strive to improve attendance across the school community. Well done and thankyou to all of the parents who support us with this and ensure that your child continues to have good attendance.

If your child is unable to attend school it is important that you contact the school office to explain the reason for absence. We remind you that holidays will not be authorised during the school term—children have a total of thirteen weeks holiday over the year.

Currently the classes with the best attendance since the beginning of term are Espana 6 (98%), Venezuela 5 (98%) and Nicaragua 4 (97.7%).

We are hoping to see a significant improvement over the coming weeks from **Argentina 3** & **Costa Rica 1.** Well done to **Puerto Rico 5** whose attendance has **improved significantly** in the past two weeks.

A very well done to all of the classes who over the past two weeks have had **over** 98% attendance. The classes are Chile 2, El Salvador 6, Espana 6, Mexico 4, Puerto Rico 5 and Venezuela 5. A special mention and well done to Nicaragua 4 who had an attendance of 99.4% in the past two weeks.

Across the school many children continue to have **100% attendance:**Reception **-23**; Year 1 - **30**; Year 2 - **34**; Year 3 - **37**; Year 4 - **43**; Year 5 - **40** & Year 6 - **42**.

A special mention to **El Salvador 6** and **Mexico 4** who have **22 children** with **100% attendance** - well done. All of the children with 100% attendance are still in line for the bronze certificate this term as they strive for goal at the end of year.

Our value of the month is Pride

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CLASS ASSEMBLY

We have now had two class assemblies to start the year. It is clear that both year 6 classes and their teachers have very high hopes and aspirations for the year ahead.

As always, the assembly was really well attended with lots of positive feedback from parents.

We are now able to capture parents feedback at events such as class assembly with a comments sheet available to all who attend. Some of the feedback from the two assemblies so far include

- Children were well behaved; performance amazing; enlightening
- Develop children's confidence to speak louder

As regards the last comment, we are working hard across the school to develop oracy and fluent speaking in a range of situations; we hope to see this develop and improve over time.

Date	Class
12.10	Puerto Rico 5
19.10	Venezuela 5
Half Term	
2.11	Colombia 2
9.11	Chile 2
16.11	Bolivia 3
23.11	Argentina 3
30.11	Mexico 4
7.12	Nicaragua 4

KEY DATES

Autumn Term 2018

WC 8.10 YR 6
Residential Trip to
Suffolk

Thursday 18th
October
International Evening

Half term school closed Monday 22nd October—Friday 26th October

Return to school
Monday 29th
October

WC 12.11 Anti-Bullying Week

Thursday 13th December Pantomime Day

Friday 14th December

Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas dinner

Autumn Term ends Friday 21st December

Spring Term 2019

Return to school
Monday 7th January

WC 28.01 Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths Week (STEM)

Wednesday 13th
February
Parents Evening
2:00—7:00
School closes at
1:45



STARS SILVER AWARD AND FREE CYCLE TRAINING

Transport for London (TFL) **STARS** accreditation scheme inspires young Londoners to think differently about travel and its impact on their health, well-being and the environment. Each year STARS schools replace **13 million miles'** worth of car journeys with **walking**, **cycling** and **scooting**.

We are proud of our **silver award** and the work we did to achieve it. Our Year 6 children created Alexandra's own walking zone map, as a school we celebrated 'no cars day,' we invited in Dr Bike to service and repair the children's bikes and scooters.

We are now on our journey to **gold** so we can't wait for even more scooters, bikes and legs to be used to get to school instead of cars. This will not only help the environment but help to make the journey to and from school a safer and more enjoyable experience for all of our families. Thankyou Ms Bruce for your work to promote this important initiative.

If you live, work or study in Haringey you may be entitled to **free cycle training** with a qualified instructor. To find out more visit www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/haringey or call 0203 031 6730

PARENT READING AND PARENTS WORKSHOPS

Please continue to come into school every **Thursday** morning from **9:00** to **9:20** to enjoy and celebrate reading with your child. All teachers and children from **nursery** to **year four** will be delighted if you could come along each week to spend some precious moments promoting the joy and helping to give the gift of reading.

After the reading morning we run workshops to help support you to support your child's learning. If there are workshops you would like the school to run please contact the school office or speak to Ms Johnston.

Workshops we are running for the remainder of this term are in the table to the right.

Best wishes, Manjit Dulay & John Coggin **Leadership Team**

11.10	Visiting Wood Green Library
18.10	Ways to support your child learn their times tables
	HALF TERM BREAK
01.11	Exploring nature and the seasons Trip to Wood Green Common
08.11	How to support your child's early speech and language development
15.11	Using technology to support learning
22.11	Bookmaking for children's writing
29.11	Developing fine and gross motor skills
06.12	Making board games to play at home
13.12	Games that support maths skills