



## Newsletter

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News, information and events  
from Alexandra Primary

### ANTI- BULLYING WEEK AND ODD SOCKS DAY

The week beginning Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November is national Anti-Bullying Week organised by the Anti- Bullying Alliance; the theme this year is "Choose Respect." The children will be doing work throughout the week to identify what bullying is and showing them how to speak up and speak out if they are a victim of bullying or if they see bullying affecting others.

On **Monday 12th November** we are joining in with a national "Odd Socks" event to celebrate that everyone is unique and different. Please help your child to choose odd socks for the day. We hope this will help us spread a serious message in a fun way.

Please speak to your child about the work they are doing about anti-bullying and why it is important to stand up to bullying.

### ATTENDANCE

Good attendance and punctuality is important for your children to make progress and to have good academic attainment throughout their school career. The better a child's academic attainment the better future career and learning opportunities they will have.

We cannot authorise family holiday during term time - please ensure that you check the school term times before you book any family holiday.

We currently have eight classes with attendance above 97% (*Argentina, 96.7%, are just below*) Bolivia 3, Chile 2, Colombia 2, El Salvador 6 and Espana 6. The three classes with the best attendance since the beginning of term are **Nicaragua 4 (98.0%), Venezuela 5 (98.3%) and Mexico 4 (98.5%)** The overall attendance of Mexico class has improved in the past two weeks - well done.

A very well done to all of the classes who over the past two weeks have had **over 98%** attendance. Espana 6 (97.6%) and Colombia 2 (97.8%) are just below; five classes are above including **Argentina 3, Nicaragua 4, Venezuela 5 and Mexico 4**. Well done to **Chile 2** who have had an attendance of **99.3%** - very well done.

Across the school many children continue to have **100% attendance:-**  
Reception -**20**; Year 1- **25**; Year 2 - **31**; Year 3 - **23**; Year 4 - **36**; Year 5 - **33**  
& Year 6 - **33**.

A special mention to **Venezuela 5** who have 19 children and **Mexico 4** who have **20 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 **Gold** at the end of year.

## Our value of the month is Tolerance

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## CLASS ASSEMBLY

Class assembly is on a Friday morning in the main hall at 9:05; during the past two weeks both year 2 classes have shared their work and learning from the past term. The children shared their work with real confidence and were so well supported by their families who attended—thankyou for your support at these events.

Over the next few weeks year 3 and year 4 will be doing their class assembly (please check the table to the right). Assembly dates for the spring term (January, February & March) will be shared before the end of this term; the spring term assemblies will begin with year 1 in January.

Dates for the Christmas celebration events were shared on the class curriculum newsletter; they were also on the last school newsletter, they are on the website and also on the side bar of this page.

## CHILDREN IN NEED 2018

**Friday 16th November** is the Children in Need appeal day; at Alexandra Primary we are asking children to come to school on that day wearing items of **spotty clothing** ( children should not wear sports clothing including football kits).

We will collect donations to contribute to Children in Need. We suggest a contribution of £1 but please feel free to donate what you feel you can afford.

## THANKYOU

As you will be aware we had need to close the school in the afternoon on Monday 29th October due to lack of heating. We want to thank the parents and families of our children for your understanding and prompt arrival at school to collect your children.

## YEAR 5 PGL

We have only a small number of places left for the PGL residential trip in year 6 next year.

The trip for **next year** will take place from **Monday 23rd - Friday 27th September 2019**. If you are in **year 5** and would like to attend please speak to the office staff for a letter with the information for how to book your place.

## TAG RUGBY COMPETITION

Our children attended a Tag Rugby competition this week for children in year 4,5 & 6.

They were so proud and we were delighted that the children who attended finished 3rd out of a total of 32 schools—a wonderful achievement indeed.

## SCIENCE VISITOR

Children in reception, year 1 & year 2 had a visit from a scientist this week. The children were thoroughly engaged and amazed as he shared a range of scientific experiments. The children were so enthused and were talking about the experience with such animation.

## DIWALI

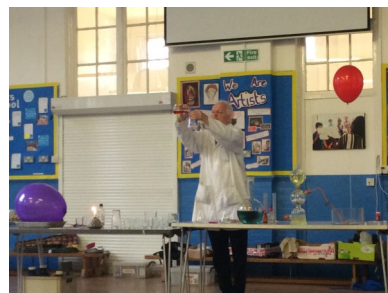
Happy Diwali to all of our children and families.

Best wishes,

Manjit Dulay & John Coggin

Leadership Team

Date	Class
16.11	Bolivia 3
23.11	Argentina 3
30.11	Mexico 4
7.12	Nicaragua 4



## KEY DATES

### Autumn Term 2018

**WC 12.11**  
Anti-Bullying Week

**Thursday 13th  
December**  
Pantomime Day

**Friday 14th  
December**  
Christmas Jumper  
Day & Christmas  
dinner

**Monday 17th (PM) &  
Wednesday 19th  
December (PM)**  
EYFS Nativity

**Tuesday 18th  
December**  
**9:00** year 1 & 2  
Nativity  
**2:00** years 3,4,5 & 6  
Carol Concert  
**3:30** Winter  
Celebration with staff,  
children and parents

Autumn Term ends  
**Friday 21st  
December**  
**School closes at  
2:00**

**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**

