Newsletter
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News, information and events
from Alexandra Primary

DEBATE MATE TEAM

The wonderful students (Latifah, Salman, Nora, Aaliyah, Aima, Drishika, Lily, Isa, Edward, Hanan, Mahamed & Ryhen) who attend Debate Mate at school, recently entered the London Debate Mate Finals where they managed to win three out of four debates. Although not successful in winning the overall competition, they did mange to defeat the school who became eventual champions.

The children behaved in an exemplary way and debated maturely with great articulation, oozing confidence whilst displaying humility. We are very proud of them.

We will be having an in house **Debate Mate Competition** at Alexandra Primary on **Wednesday 22nd May** at **4:00** in the main hall. This will be an opportunity for the children to share their skills with the school community, particularly their families and friends.

We also give big thanks to **Mrs Spencer** for her hard work in promoting this event and empowering the children to develop such confidence with public speaking.

ATTENDANCE

Some classes have recently had poor attendance either side of the Easter holidays. The children have 13 weeks holiday in a year (one quarter of the year) so should not be taking holiday time away from school to extend holidays. We will not authorise holidays in school time.

Overall attendance in the school including reception is currently **95.4%**; attendance for year 1 to year 6 is **96.1%.**

We are hoping to see big improvements in attendance during the summer term from **Costa Rica 1** (92.8%), **Panama** (92.1%) and **Paraguay** (90.4%).

Best attendance in the past two weeks		
	Class	%
1	**Bolivia 3**	**98.3**
2	**El Salvador 6**	**97.8**
3	**Venezuela 5**	**97.5**
4	Colombia 2	97.4
5	Mexico 4	96.7

Best attendance since September		
	Class	%
1	**Colombia 2**	**97.4**
2	**Venezuela 5**	**97.2**
3	**Mexico 4**	**97.1**
4	Espana 6	96.8
5	Bolivia 3	96.6
6	El Salvador 6	96.3
7	Chile 2	96.2
8	Nicaragua	96.0

Our value of the month is Cooperation

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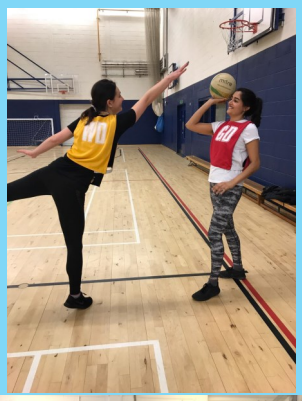

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CLASS ASSEMBLY

See the table for class assemblies this term. Check the website and newsletters for upcoming celebration assemblies and the summer musical showcases.

We had a fantastic class assembly this morning with **Mexico 4**. The quality of learning, the confidence with which the children spoke and the brilliant modelling of maths strategies for multiplying, reflected the excellent teaching of **Ms Corales** with these children throughout the year.

Date	Class
3.5	**Mexico 4**
10.5	**Nicaragua 4**
17.5	**Bolivia 3**
Half Term	
7.6	**Costa Rica 1**
14.6	**Argentina 3**
21.6	**Cuba 1**

HEALTHY SCHOOLS

Now it's warmer and lighter in the evenings an active thing to do is **take a walk**. It's a great chance to catch up with friends or family and be healthy. You could even chant your times tables as you walk! Walk to School Week is coming up soon, look out for more information soon.

Ms Mackey has been promoting healthy eating at school, looking for children eating healthy snacks at playtime, lunchtime and after school: shout out to Cyrus for such a varied selection of fruit snacks and look at Tajeon's snacks - brain power for sure.

Revealed
The two staff members that keep fit and healthy by attending a netball club together .....Miss Bruce and Miss Payne.

Can you guess which staff member attends Salsa dancing to keep active? Answer revealed next soon...

YEAR 3 ENABLING ENTERPRISE

Recently, Year 3 have been working hard on the **Enabling Enterprise** project, **'Making Changes'**. We devised and developed campaigns around different health issues. To celebrate and share our work, we held our Health Fair before the holiday. We started with an assembly to tell attendees about our different campaigns. This was then followed by attendees visiting our different campaign stalls where we could persuade 'delegates' to join campaigns. Year 3 were very persuasive as they seemed to convert lots of people to their cause. Let's get healthy ... join us now!

VENEZUELA 5 MAKE PIZZA

Venezuela class recently had a trip to Pizza Express to learn the process of how to make a pizza.

They learnt how to make the pizza, how to throw it to make it bigger and then how to add the crucial tasty ingredients. Shay was very keen and asked if he could at some point in the future get a job and become employee of the month.

Many of the children were keen to share their pizza with family.

TIMETABLES ROCKSTARS

Make sure you are encouraging your child to play Times Tables Rockstars every day. It is crucial that all our children know their times tables to 12 fluently before they leave the school in year 6. It is an invaluable skill that supports children with all areas of their mathematical understanding. Times Tables Rockstars is a great resource to support you in learning all their times tables and inverse facts.

Manjit Dulay & John Coggin
Leadership Team

KEY DATES

Summer Term 2019

May 1st - May 24th
Year 2 assessments

Friday 3rd May
Book Sale

Monday 6th May
Bank Holiday
school closed

WC Monday 13th May
Year 6 SATs week

Wednesday 15th May
Year 3 Tate Project
Photographer

WC Monday 20th May
Families Week

Wednesday 22nd May
9:00 SRE Parents Meeting
3:00 Year 1 Phonics Check Parents Meeting

Friday 24th May
End of summer 1

Half Term Holiday
27th May - 31st May

Return to school Monday 3rd June

Friday 12th July
Open Afternoon and school reports to parents

Friday 19th July
End of Term
(school closes at 2:00)

Summer Holiday
22nd July - 30th August

Autumn Term 2019

Monday 2nd September INSET (school closed)
Return to school Tuesday 3rd September

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