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News, information and events



YEAR 6 AT PGL

Year 6 had an amazing week during the residential camp at Marchants Hill in Surrey. They did a range of fun and interesting activities that challenged them but enabled them to show resilience and courage to complete tasks they thought were impossible.

They faced challenges such as the trapeze which was described by some as the scariest but the best activity. They also did zip lining, climbing, the big swing, Jacobs Ladder and abseiling amongst many others.

Year 5 - talk to the year 6 children about their amazing experiences and get ready for your opportunity next year. Also look at the website to see the whole range of activities that the children participated in.

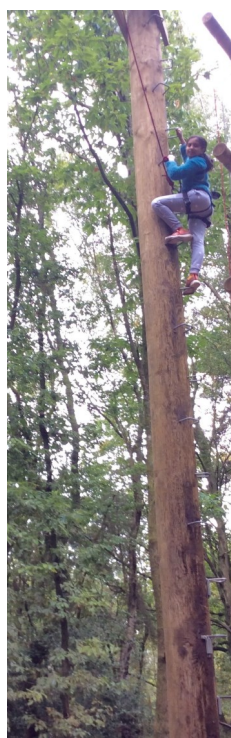
Children who did not attend PGL had a fun and varied learning experience; the week culminated in a visit to the bowling alley which was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

INTERNATIONAL EVENING

Don't forget we have our annual **International Evening** on **Thursday 10th October** at **3:10**. Please come along to support this event which is always so well attended; our choir will be performing.

If you have any food and drink contributions please bring them to the office on the morning of the 10th or during that day. If you would like to help at this event please contact **Ms Seymour** or **Ms Weekes**.

Thank you for your continued support.



Our value of the month is Pride

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CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Year 6 have set the standards high with their class assemblies. See the website for some photographs from El Salvador's recent assembly.

Check the table to the right for your child's class assembly is this term. The **class assemblies** are on **Friday morning** in the main hall at **8:55**.

NEAL ZETTER

We were delighted to invite Neal Zetter, a poet, into school last week to help us to celebrate National Poetry Day (3rd October). It was a wonderful experience for all of the children to enjoy the magic of poems.

The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all including our governor, Margaret Luchman, who commented that, "having a poet in school is such a valuable and unique experience for pupils."

THE BIG DRAW

From **Tuesday 29th October – Friday 1st November**. Alexandra Primary will be celebrating **The Big Draw Festival**. The theme this year is, '**Drawn To Life**'. During the week, we will be focusing on developing all our students' creativity through art and drawing.

See the posters and flyers for further information.

MUSICAL YOUTH

Music Club - Tuesday and Thursday 3:10 - 4:10pm

Ken, our wonderful music teacher, runs these clubs. They give children the opportunity to further develop their musical talents and explore different instruments (steel pans, ukuleles, guitars).

Choir - Tuesdays at 8 am

Our choir is open to Years 4, 5 and 6. We currently have about 20 members and would like to increase this to 30. It's a great way to start a day of learning.

Orchestra - Fridays at 8am

We have a wonderful orchestra at Alexandra which performs at many different events. Membership is by invitation only.

Individual Tuition

Dedicating time to learning one particular musical instrument is proven to be of great benefit to children. Ken does private one to one tuition so there is also an opportunity for this at Alexandra Primary.

If your child is interested in any of the above opportunities, please talk to your child's teacher, the office team or **Ms Kennedy**.

PE KIT AND SPORTS CLUBS

If your child is attending after school sports club they must be in their PE kit. Any children without their PE kit will not be allowed to participate.

PARENTS EVENING

Don't forget to book your ten minute appointment online for Parents Evening to discuss your child's progress and next steps.

Parents Evening is **Wednesday 16th October** from **1:40 - 7:00**. Remember - **school closes at 1:30** for children on this day.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Speak to your children about the work they are doing in school to celebrate Black History Month. You should have received a flyer and posters are up around the school outlining what the children are doing. Please join us on the afternoon of **Friday 18th October** at **3:10** to share and celebrate the outcomes of the children's work for Black History Month.

Manjit Dulay & John Coggin
Leadership Team

4.10	Venezuela 5
11.10	Puerto Rico 5
18.10	Mexico 4
Half Term	
8.11	Nicaragua 4
15.11	Bolivia 3
22.11	Argentina 3
29.11	Colombia 2
6.12	Chile 2



KEY DATES

Autumn Term 2019

October

Online booking for
Parents Evening
continues

October

Black History Month

Wednesday 9th October

Year 5 to The Royal
Albert Hall

Thursday 10th October

3:20 International
Evening

Wednesday 16th October

Parents Evening
1:40 - 7:00

(school closes at 1:30)

Friday 18th October

3:10 Black History Month
Showcase

Friday 18th October

End of half term
(school closed
21.10 - 25.10)

Monday 28th October

INSET, school closed

Tuesday 29th October

Children return to
school

WC 28th October

The Big Draw

Thursday 31st October

Flu Immunisation

Thursday 31st October

Secondary School
Admissions deadline

Wednesday 6th November

Children's individual &
siblings photograph day

WC 11th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Thursday 12th December

Pantomime Day
KS 2 **Snow White** at
Chickenshed
EYFS and KS1
Wizard of Oz in school

