

Newsletter 6th March 2020 Issue 50 News, information and events from Alexandra Primary School

Our value of the month is Happiness

WORLD BOOK WEEK

To help us celebrate World Book Week, we had a visit from a storyteller who showed us the magic of storytelling, reinforcing the importance of telling stories in cultures through the ages.

The children were so engaged and mesmerised by these stories. Storytelling is a unique way for children to develop an understanding, respect and appreciation for other cultures.

As part of the celebration of books this week we had teachers reading with different classes which included an opportunity for Mr Khan to be a flamingo!

Storytelling and reading are essential for children to develop an understanding of the world around them, to develop vocabulary, to be transported to different lands and different worlds, to develop creativity and imagination.

Reading is an essential life skill. And it is fun too.

Thankyou to **Mrs Spencer** for arranging the storyteller visit and for organising the celebration of World Book Week in school.

READING JOURNAL

Congratulations to Maryam in Nicaragua for using her Reading Journal consistently well.

SPORTS RELIEF

Sports Relief is on **Friday 13th March**; come to school in **sports clothes** with a contribution of £1 and enjoy the different activities throughout the day.

CORONAVIRUS

Please check our website regularly for any updates on the Coronavirus. We are regularly in communication with Public Health England, DfE and Haringey. As soon as we receive updated information we will place it on the website.

In the meantime please ensure that you are teaching your children to wash their hands correctly; see the posters around the school for guidance with this.

ATTENDANCE

Our current attendance for the school year is 95.1%; although it has continued to increase throughout this term it is still short of our target of 96%.

Since September	
Class	%
Mexico 4	97.4
Puerto Rico 5	96.1
El Salvador 6	96.0
Venezuela 5	96.0
Bolivia 3	95.7
Rec Paraguay	95.2
Nicaragua 4	95.1

.	Past 2 weeks	
	Class	%
	El Salvador 6	98.0
	Venezuela 5	97.8
	Colombia 2	97.3
	Rec Paraguay	96.7
	Espana 6	96.2
	Bolivia 3	96.2
	Mexico 4	96.0
	Nicaragua 4	95.7

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CLASS ASSEMBLIES

See the table to the right for the class assemblies planned for the remainder of spring term 2.

13.3	Puerto Rico 5
20.3	Mexico 4
27.3	Nicaragua 4

HOMEWORK CELEBRATIONS

The week after half term we had our Homework Celebration Assemblies in each phase. This is where we share the fantastic projects and learning from the topic homework completed over the holidays.

Pictured are some of the children who showed great dedication to their learning; they received a special certificate for their wonderful efforts. See the website for further information and more photographs.

YR2 & 6 SATS PARENTS MEETINGS

We will be having meeting for parents in the next few weeks to share with you what will be happening for **KS1** and **KS2 SATs** which take place in **May**.

Year 6 parents meeting will be on Monday 23rd March; Year 2 parents meeting will be on Thursday 2nd April.

Both meetings will be in the main hall at 3:20.

FIRE SAFETY WORKSHOP

Year 2 and year 5 recently had a Fire Safety Workshop.

They learnt that we all should have a smoke alarm on each floor of our homes, on the ceiling, as smoke travels upwards.

The London Fire Brigade can give important fire safety advice for homes as well as supply and fit smoke alarms for free.

If you would like a visit to your home, please call 0800 028 4428 or email smokealarms@london-fire.gov.uk

DEBATE MATE

Well done to our Debate Mate team who attended their first competition, where they debated against other schools. We are extremely proud of the way they presented themselves and represented Alexandra Primary School.

GOODBYE HEIDI

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to our School Business manager, Heidi Bennett, who is leaving us this week.

She has worked at Alexandra for over 6 years and has become a valued and respected member of the staff team and a key member of our school community.

She has been given the opportunity to develop her career in a different setting with new and exciting challenges.

We send her on her way with our very best wishes. Good luck Heidi.

Manjit Dulay & John Coggin **Leadership Team**











KEY DATES

Spring Term 2020

Friday 6th March World Book day Celebration Assemblies

Thursday 12th March Yr5 & 6 knife crime workshop

Friday 13th March Sports Relief

Friday 20th March Spring begins

Monday 23rd March 3 week Attendance Challenge begins

Monday 23rd March 3:20 Yr6 SATs Parents Meeting

Tuesday 24th March Nursery eye tests

Thursday 2nd April 3:20 Yr2 SATs Parents Meeting

Friday 3rd April
AM Carnival time tbc

Friday 3rd April
End of Term
School closes at 1:30

SummerTerm 2020

Children return to school 8:45 Monday 20th April

Friday 24thApril 3 week Attendance Challenge ends including prize draw assembly

Wednesday 29th April Class Photographs

> Friday 8th May Bank Holiday School closed

Friday 22nd May 3:10 End of summer 1

Monday 25th May Friday 29th May School closed

Monday 1st June INSET Day School closed

