

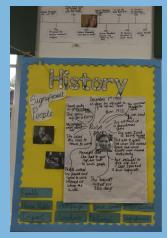
# Newsletter 2nd October 2020 Issue 53 News, information and events from Alexandra Primary School

# Our value of the month is Pride

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### ALEXANDRA IS ANTI-RACIST

We deplore the impact that racism has, and has had for centuries, on Haringey, the UK, and all over the world.

We recognise our responsibility to fight racism and to tackle the legacy of colonialism. We strive to build a school that supports the achievements and amplifies the voices of Black Caribbean and BAME students and staff.

Recent events have brought into sharp focus the need for us to reiterate our passionate opposition to racism, and make explicit our commitment to addressing racism and inequality within our school and wider community

We are determined to use this focus to urgently reflect on our activities and actions and take concrete steps to improve what we do. We also commit to continuing this process beyond the current wave of protest.

We have the responsibility to improve the life chances of our young people.

"It is not enough to be non-racist, we must be anti-racist." Angela Davis

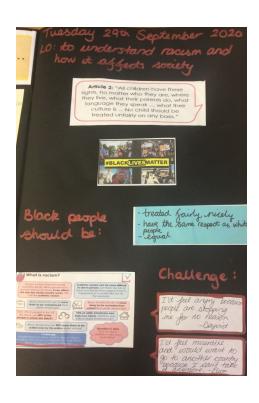
### NHS COVID 19 TRACK & TRACE APP

You can now download the NHS App. The faster you know if you have been in contact with someone who has the Covid virus, the faster you can act to alert your family and the wider community to help to keep everyone safe.

# **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

All the children have been reading about and discussing the role and impact of Black British Pioneers. As part of the work during Black History Month the children have been discussing racism and why it is important to be anti-racist.

Nowrin in year 2 wrote, "Black Lives Matter; it does not matter what your skin tone is, it is beautiful and amazing."



### STARS OF THE WEEK

In the current circumstances we are having to do things differently to try to keep everyone in the community and in school safe. Some things which are different are staggered start and end times, staggered lunch and playtimes and how the children are seated in pairs side by side, not groups, in the classroom facing each other.

We are also having to do assembly differently using Google Classrooms. We are still however, able to celebrate our Stars of the Week. Some of our stars of this week are pictured here. You can see other stars of the week by accessing the school website.

Our theme for this week was pride so children were stars for improving presentation, responding to marking and feedback and effort for completing home learning tasks.

### SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

A letter has been sent home to families of year 6 children with information on how to apply for secondary school. You can also **find information on our website**.

The deadline for applications is Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

### **ATTENDANCE**

We have been very pleased with the attendance and punctuality of our children returning to school since September. We have a had many classes who have had 100% attendance on multiple days.

Puerto Rico 5 had the best attendance last week with 98.2%. This week Reception Paraguay, Cuba 1, Colombia 2, Chile 2, Argentina 3 & Puerto Rico 5 all have attendance above 99%.

Since the beginning of term **Mexico 4** have the best attendance (98.3%) Overall school attendance is **96.6%. Nicaragua 4** have had only **4 children** who have been absent since the beginning of term.

### **BOOK BAGS**

We are aware that Kenzie, the local uniform shop has run out of book bags. We have been assured by them that they have ordered in new ones and hope to have them in stock again wc 5th October.

### **CURRICULUM**

Although we have organised aspects of the school day differently the children are still receiving a full and broad curriculum. In some of the photographs you can see maths in year 6 with children using resources and violin in year 5.

Manjit Dulay & John Coggin **Leadership Team** 











# **KEY DATES**

### **Autumn Term 2020**

WC 28th September Height & Weight Questionnaire Reception and Year 6

28.9—23.10 Black History Month

Saturday 3rd October Black Pound Day

Thursday 15th October
Flu Vaccinations
Rec - Yr 6

Friday 23rd October 3:10 End of autumn 1

Monday 26th October -Friday 30th October Half Term -School closed

Monday 2nd November Children return to school

WC 23rd November Yr2 Phonics check

Friday 11th December Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas dinner

Friday 18th December End of Term

Monday 21st December
- Friday 1st January
School Closed

### Spring Term 2021

Monday 4th January INSET school closed

Tuesday 5th January Children return

Friday 5th February End of Spring 1

Monday 15th February
- Friday 19th February
Half Term School closed

Monday 22nd February Children return

Wednesday 31st March End of Term

Thursday 1st April -Friday 16th April Easter break School closed

