



Newsletter 10th September 2021 Issue 71

News, information and events
from Alexandra Primary School

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all of our children and welcome to our many new arrivals who have joined us in reception and throughout the school over the first few days of this term.

We hope that you all had a pleasant time during the summer and that your children are now refreshed and ready for the year ahead. It was lovely to see the children all looking so smart in their uniform as they moved into their new class.

Throughout this week you should have had the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher online, where an outline of planned learning and highlighting of expectations would have been shared.

NEW YEAR, NEW START

We are delighted at the start of this year that we are able to reinstate much of the organisation in the school that has been absent for the past year.

These include sharing tables at lunchtime, working in groups in class and assemblies for the whole school together in person and not online.

This has really helped everyone to settle so well into the new school year.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

As part of Black History Month for October, we are teaching a unit of work across the school with a theme of "Proud To Be". Children will be taught about kings and queens of Africa and the history of great kingdoms, looking at the culture, geography, values and how the ancient kingdoms relate to the countries in modern day Africa. The children will learn of the cultural heritage of these nations and how they contributed to and impacted on modern day society.

We will have a celebration to showcase the work and learning on **Friday 22nd October**.



Our value of the month is **respect**

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UPDATING CONTACT DETAILS

We rely on communication with families via email and text and we will continue to communicate this way in the future. If you have changed your contact details recently, please let the office know as a matter of urgency: admin@alexprimary.haringey.sch.uk.

Some families have unsubscribed from our email service which means you will not receive our newsletters, school updates, parent/teacher meetings links and other important information.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 6

Parents of children in year 6 will need to apply for your child to start secondary school in September 2022.

You apply for a secondary school place on line at www.eadmissions.org.uk

Key Dates:

Applications open: 1st September 2021

Applications close: 31 October 2021

Offer day: 1 March 2022

Acceptance deadline: 15 March 2022

The Secondary Admissions Booklet can be found [here](#).

Open events are being held at local secondary schools and we advise you to visit as many as you can to help with your decision making. The information for these events can be found [here](#).

PGL RESIDENTIAL TRIP YEAR 6 & YEAR 5

Year 6 will be going on a residential trip to PGL, Marchants Hill, Surrey from **Monday 11th October to Friday 15th October**. Parents of the children booked on the trip will be receiving further information over the coming weeks. We will be hosting a meeting via Google Classrooms on **Thursday 30th September** to clarify expectations and to ensure that children know the correct items to take and to ensure all medical needs have been shared before the trip.

For children currently in **Year 5**, the trip next year will be from **Monday 10th October to Friday 14th October 2022**. More information about the week and how to book will be shared in the spring term.

SCHOOL DINNERS

We had new caterers start with us last term who are proving to be very popular with the children. If you have not tried them but would like to try our school dinners, our menu can be found [here](#).

Lunch is **£2.40 per day** which must be paid for in advance. All payments for school dinners must be paid for **on-line via Tucasi**. If you do not have a log-in please email Fiona (admin@alexprimary.haringey.sch.uk) in the office and she will organise a log-in for you.

All children in year 1 & 2 receive free school meals.

BREAKFAST CLUB SPACES

We have some space in our Breakfast Club. If you are interested please speak to Fiona in the office for more information.

COVID

Haringey have issued an information booklet for families on Learning to Live with Covid. This booklet covers information on vaccinations, travel, testing and test & trace. The document can be found [here](#).

You will be aware that schools are no longer closing classes when a positive case is reported. Please see the letter and guidance regarding positive cases in school, which can be found [here](#).

PARENTS EVENING IN OCTOBER

We will have **parents evening (online)** on **Thursday 21st October**. Appointments will be 10 minutes duration starting at 1:30pm and ending at 6:30pm. The online booking portal will open to parents on Tuesday 21st September at 2:00pm.

Please note that school **will close to children at 1:15 on Thursday 21st October**.

Manjit Dulay & John Coggin
Leadership Team

KEY DATES

Autumn Term 2021

Tuesday 21st September

Booking for Parents Evening opens

WC 27th September
National Inclusion Week

Thursday 30th September

3:30pm Parents Meeting (online) for Year 6 PGL

Friday 1st October
Black History Month Launch Assembly

Thursday 7th October
National Poetry Day

Monday 11th - Friday 15th October
Year 6 to PGL

Thursday 21st October
Parents Evening
1:30pm - 6:30pm
Children finish at 1:15pm

Friday 22nd October
End of Autumn 1

Monday 25th - Friday 29th October
Half Term
School closed

Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd November
INSET School closed

Wednesday 3rd November
Children return to school

Thursday 4th November
Individual & sibling photographs

Tuesday 14th December
Panto in a Day
EYFS, yrs. 1 & 2

Wednesday 15th December
Chicken Shed yrs. 3 – 6

Friday 17th December
End of Term
children finish at **1:30pm**



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