

## Alexandra Primary School Newsletter

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#### **BOLIVIA AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY**

Bolivia Class recently visited The National Gallery and had an amazing time. They explored different works of art including, 'Messenger,' by Bridget Riley and 'The Hay Wain' by John Constable.

Belle guided the children in exploring the gallery and discussing the different art works. They also had the chance to develop artistic skills, particularly focusing on looking at the different works of art.

Belle commented on how well the children explored and engaged with the art.

#### SCIENCE IS SUCH FUN

**The Royal Institution** visited Alexandra recently to present a fascinating science show about **Energy.** Pupils participated in immersive demonstrations that included fire, smoke and loud bangs! Pupils learnt about the different types of energy types such as: kinetic, thermal, electrical, chemical, nuclear, motion, sound and elastic.

"I liked that the show was so interactive! I got to be in charge of holding the flammable materials." -Marcus Y6

"I got to pump the balloon. I was so shocked when it popped. It gave me so much adrenaline." -Amariliz Y4

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the morning workshop to demonstrate your enthusiasm and excitement in learning about science.

#### **KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE**

If your child is using messaging or chat apps, it is important that you are comfortable with who they are talking to.

Talk to your child about who they're chatting to and how they know them. Remind them not to share information with people they haven't met before. This includes information like their name, location, email, phone number and school name.

The NSPCC provide parents/carers more information regarding this <u>https://www.nspcc.org.uk/</u> keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/chat-apps/

#### WELCOME IN WEDNESDAYS

Our first 'Welcome In Wednesday' event will be on **Wednesday 7**<sup>th</sup> **December at 9am**. We invite **Reception and Y1** parents and carers to join us and find out more about **early reading and phonics**. There will be a short presentation and a chance to speak to Mrs Clarke - Headteacher, Ms Ayesha Ali - Early Years Lead and Ms Joseph - Assistant Head Teacher and English Lead. There will also be refreshments and a book to take away. We look forward to seeing you there.

Look out for more information on 'Welcome In Wednesdays'; they will be held at the beginning of each month.







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#### CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Thank you to all family members and friends who have come along to support the class assemblies this term. Each assembly has been so well attended as we have enjoyed finding out from the children the learning that has been taking place this term.

Date	Class
25.11	Nicaragua 4
2.12	Argentina 3

In the next newsletter we will have the dates outlining class assemblies for the spring term; these will include dates for Puerto Rico and year 1 Cuba and Costa Rica.

#### FESTIVALS IN RECEPTION

Children in reception have been finding out about different festivals and celebrations this half term. They have been exploring the festival of Diwali; the children tried a very special snack - called Popadoms with a side of mango chutney. The children had great fun and enjoyed the delicious snack.

#### SEND PARENT CARER FORUM

SEND Power in Haringey, (Parent Carer Forum), is holding a **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Funding Information Sharing Session** on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**.

This will be an opportunity for parents and carers to hear from Mary Jarrett (**Haringey Head of SEND**) and Helen Jenner (from ISOS Partnership, which has been commissioned by Haringey to help improve the effectiveness of SEND funding) about how SEND funding is allocated.

They will hold a daytime session at Chestnuts Community Centre;10.30am-12.30pm. <u>Book a place here</u>

This session will be repeated in the evening online, 6.30 to 8pm. <u>Book a place</u> <u>here</u>

#### LIGHT IN YEAR 5

Children in year 5 have been learning about the importance of light to Christians at Christmas. They followed instructions and made Christingles. The children really enjoyed the activity.

#### FULL TIME NURSERY PLACES

We will be offering **full-time places in our nursery from January**. If you have a child that is 3 years old or soon turning 3, please contact the office team for more information. <u>admin@alexprimary.haringey.sch.uk</u>

#### UPDATED CONTACT DETAILS

It is essential that the school office have up to date contact information for all of our families. If you have changed or updated your mobile number, home address, email or emergency contacts please inform the office so that we can update your child's records.

#### FUNDRAISING

Many thanks to our families and children who have supported a number of fundraising activities in recent weeks. We understand that for many families, financially times are difficult, so your generosity is even more thoughtful and very appreciated.

We have raised: -

International Evening	£286.56
Y2 Cake Sale:	£290.21
Y2 Quiz Night:	£73.30
Children In Need:	£299.96

#### **BUILDING WORKS**

We have been notified by the contractors that the expected date for completing the ongoing building works will be Tuesday 31st January.

#### END OF TERM

The **next newsletter** will be in **three weeks** on Friday 16th December. Before then there are a number of events for you to come along to; please see the dates on the right.

We want to draw your attention to the **Festive Community Sing Along** on **Monday 12th December** at 3:15 in the main hall, all welcome.

Remember that this term ends on Friday 16th December at 1:30.

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November Last week of clubs (except Monday/ Thursday clubs)

**Tuesday 6th December** Y6 to Heartlands for theatre show

Friday 9th December Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 12th December Musical Celebrations 9:15 Reception & Nursery 2:00 Year 1 & 2 3:15 Festive Community Singalong

Tuesday 13th December Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 14th December End of Term Class Party

> Thursday 15th December Panto in a Day & Chickenshed

Friday 16th December Musical Celebrations 9:00 years 3,4,5 & 6

Friday 16th December End of Term Children finish at 1:30

Monday 19th December— Monday 2nd January School Closed

#### Spring Term 2023

Tuesday 3rd January INSET School Closed

#### Wednesday 4th January Children return to school

WC 16th January Bikeability in school for years 3 &4

WC 16th January Bikeability in school for years 5 & 6

Monday 16th January Choir to O2

