

## Alexandra Primary School Newsletter

News, information and events Friday 16th December 2022 Issue 97

#### LET IT SNOW

We were very disappointed to have to close the school due to snow. It was a difficult decision to make but was taken after much careful consideration. Ultimately, staffing and site safety left us with no other option.

We hope that you were all able to access the remote learning on the closure day.

#### **MUSIC MAGIC**

The children in KS1 Music Club recently shared their musical journey with parents and carers. Our fabulous music teacher Ken, led the children as they showcased their musical learning from this term. This included playing the drums, glockenspiels and ukuleles.

What fabulous musicians.

#### YEAR 5 VISIT TO ST MICHAELS CHURCH

Year 5 recently visited St Michael's church. Fr Ian Booth was very impressed with how the children behaved in and around the church. He spoke to them about the Christmas story, why it is a special time for Christians and the different seasons that Christianity has

Dylan was chosen to light the candles on the advent wreath. We also learnt that the pictures on the windows of a church are called a poor person's bible because in the past many people did not go to school unless they had wealth. The pictures on the windows would help to tell stories about Jesus to people that could not read.

The children also asked lots of thoughtful questions about God and Jesus, making personal links to other religions. Fr lan also said that the children are a credit to Alexandra and he would love to see them again at Easter.

#### PARENTS EVENING

Spring term Parents Evening will be on **Thursday 9th February**, **1:40** - **6:30**.

Please note, on this day school will finish for children at 1:30.

**Booking online** for Parents Evening will open on **Monday 16th January 2023.** Details of how to book will be shared by the office team in early January.











# Our value of the month is

### peace

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#### CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Class assemblies will return in the spring term.

See the table to the right and save the date in your diary to attend your child's upcoming class assembly.,

#### **CHRISTMAS**

Children made decorations for the Christmas trees in school; you can see here some of the decorations made by children in Bolivia class.

We also had Christmas Jumper Day, which was great fun.

To our families celebrating Christmas we wish you all a peaceful Happy Christmas. We wish all of our school community a prosperous New Year.

#### YEAR 6 VISIT TO HEARTLANDS THEATRE

Year 6 were recently invited to see the show High School Musical at Heartlands. It was wonderful to see so many ex Alexandra students making a magnificent contribution to the show.

Some of the comments from the children were:

Sarah - The show was amazing. I could see myself in this school.

Kianna- I liked seeing my sister playing the guitar in the show.

Jordon- I would love to be a part of a show like that in secondary.

Naima- Each character played the part as they were in the movie.

#### HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT AUTISM?

The NHS England, 'Autism in Schools Project' is currently underway with 20 pilot schools in the London Region.

As part of the project, the National Network of Parent Carer Forums would like to invite parents to a series of FREE online training and information events to help support autistic pupils at home and in school.

For more information please see the flyer on the school website.

#### **FAREWELL**

At the end of this term we are saying goodbye and thank you to three valued members of our staff team. Katie Wetherill, our School Business Manager; Patricia McGahan, Nicaragua class teacher and Ayten Chelebi, one of our learning support assistants.

We wish them all much success in their future endeavours.

#### **END OF TERM**

School ends for the winter break on Friday 16th December at 1:30.

Children return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2023; the school day begins at 8:45 with gates opening at 8:35.

Wishing you all a restful holiday.

Date	Class
13.1	Puerto Rico 5
20.1	Colombia 2
27.1	Chile 2
3.2	Cuba 1
10.2	Costa Rica 1
Half Term	
10.3	Mexico 4
24.3	Venezuela 5





## **KEY DATES Autumn Term 2022** Friday 16th December

End of Term Children finish at 1:30

Monday 19th December— Monday 2nd January

#### 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

Monday 16th January Booking for Parents Evening opens

WC 23rd January Bikeability in school for years 5 & 6

Monday 23rd January Young Voices Choir to O2

**Tuesday 24th January** Y6 Dental Screening

Wednesday 25th January Y6 Imperial War Museum

**Thursday 9th February** 1:40 Parents Evening Children finish at

Friday 10th February End of Half Term

Monday 13th February— Friday 17th February

Monday 20th February Children return to school

**Thursday 23rd February** 6:00 Full Governing Body Meeting

**Thursday 2nd March** World Book Day

Wednesday 8th March International Women's Day #EmbraceEquity

