

Alexandra Primary School Newsletter

News, information and events Friday 12th May 2023 Issue 105

ASSESSMENTS

During May and into June, many of our children are required to complete assessments as part of the governments and Department for Educations need to monitor standards and outcomes of teaching & learning across the country.

Throughout the month of May, children in year 2 will be sitting test papers which will then support the teacher assessments that we share with the local authority in July.

In June, children in year 1 have a phonics check to assess their progress and learning of sounds for reading; children in year 4 have a multiplication check to help assess how well the children have learnt their times tables up to 12 x 12.

This week, the children in year 6 have had their test week (SATs). They have competed tests each day of this week with the papers then

being sent off to be marked . The school will receive the results of these tests in the second week of July. The outcomes will be shared with children and families before the end of term with the annual report.

We want to say a big well done to the children in year 6 in particular, who have shown real determination to do their best during this week.

Also thank you to all of the staff who have helped the children over the years, supporting their learning, and this week supporting the administration of the tests.

If you have any questions about these assessments, please speak with your child's teacher.

SWIMMING IN YEAR 5

We are delighted that this term, year 5 have begun their swimming lessons. Swimming is such an essential life skill, as well as being great fun, whether swimming in a pool, a lake, a river or most exhilaratingly in the sea.

However to enjoy this fantastic, fun, exercise you must learn how to swim!

We look forward to seeing the progress of year 5 swimmers over the coming weeks and months.

I enjoyed being in the water. Oliver

I am looking forward to learn how to swim. Flavia

SENDIASS

SENDIASS provides parents of children and young people aged 0 to 25 with accurate, impartial information about SEND systems and processes, aiming to empower them to be actively and constructively engaged with schools.

For more information about the services SENDIASS provide check out their website: https://markfield.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/sendiass-flyer-2022.pdf





Our value of the month is

cooperation

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Welcome In Wednesday @ Alexandra

Supporting your child with reading Wednesday 17th May



All Welcome



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CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Puerto Rico recently treated the school to a wonderful assembly. They covered much during the assembly including the works of Charles Dickens with a focus on Oliver Twist and links to the Victorian era.

They also taught us how Aristotle developed his theory that the earth is spherical and not flat - quite a controversial idea in Ancient Greece! This part of the assembly was brilliantly delivered with Ayoub in the lead role of Aristotle.

The class also introduced philosophy through P4C, which included asking the bag a question. The class then modelled how they develop a discussion around a central question.

The whole assembly was so confidently delivered; well done Puerto Rico and Mr Polydore.

Assemblies for the remainder of the summer term can be seen in the table on this page and in the blue sidebar to the right. Please put the date in your diary to come along and see your child's assembly.



Class
Bolivia 3
Chile 2
Half Term
Argentina 3
Colombia 2
Cuba 1/ Costa Rica 1

KEY DATES Summer Term 2023

WC 15th May Mental Health

Awareness Week TFL presentation to vr 6

Wednesday 17th May Welcome in Wednesday Reading

Bolivia performance at Collage Arts

Thursday 18th May Argentina performance at Collage Arts

Friday 19th May Bolivia class assembly

Monday 22nd May Colombia to library Year 4 to British Museum

Tuesday 23rd May Year 6 to the theatre to see The Lion King

Wednesday 24th May Year 2 to cinema Reception to Alexandra Palace Park

Thursday 25th May Bolivia to Roman **Amphitheatre**

Friday 26th May Argentina to Roman Amphitheatre

KS1 SATs testing ends Chile class assembly

Friday 26th May End of term

Monday 5th June 8:45 Children return to school

Yr4 Multiplication Checks begin

Yr 1 Phonics Check begins

World Environment Day

Wednesday 7th June Welcome in Wednesday

> Friday 9th June Argentina class assembly

SUMMER FAIR

Our Summer Fair is fast approaching and we need your help.

Save the date: Saturday 24th June 12:00-3:00 pm

CAN YOU HELP WITH...

1. Raffle Prizes - Do you own a local business or work for a big brand and would like to donate a prize?

If you or anybody in your family can, please come to the office and speak with Miss Weekes.

2. Home Chefs Wanted - Could you cook a big batch of something for us to sell at the fair?

Please sign your name up and what you are cooking in the office by **Friday 19**th May.

3. Tombola donations - Do you have any unwanted gifts?

Please bring any brand-new, unused gift to the office.

4 Volunteers - We need lots of helpers. Sign up for one of the stalls:

- Fruit stall
- Book stall
- Face painting
- Food stall
- Craft stall

We are also looking for volunteers to help sell raffle tickets during and prior to the event. You can sell these at work, to your friends and families and in the local community.

Please speak to the office team for further information and a sign-up sheet.

All of your support is greatly appreciated.

WELCOME IN WEDNESDAY

Our next Welcome in Wednesday will be on Wednesday 17th May; this session will have a focus on reading.

Please come along to the house at 9:00 to see what exciting things Ms Joseph has to say about developing a love of reading, including why visiting the library is so important, and a fantastic way to open portals to wonderful worlds of imagination.

