



Alexandra Primary School Newsletter

News, information and events
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VIKING TAKEOVER

Year 4 recently had an immersive Viking Day to begin their new topic for this term.

The children were taken to the Viking world, donned in Viking attire, they crafted shields and swords with creative fervour. The halls echoed with the spirit of Norse warriors, as they were immersed in a lively day of living like mighty Vikings.

They had great fun and learnt so much. The teachers were all exhausted!



INTERNET SAFETY

As part of our Welcome in Wednesday sessions, we held an **Online Safety Workshop** recently, offering information and support to parents to help keep their children safe online. Thank you to parents who attended the workshop and for your valuable contributions. It was a great opportunity to discuss the benefits, as well as the challenges, of the digital world and to share ideas on how to keep our children safe.

To the right is a chart showing the age restrictions placed on different social media apps and services.

We hope every child has a safe and happy experience whilst using the internet. Making sure children are accessing age appropriate content is an important part of our role to help educate children to become responsible internet users.

The next Welcome in Wednesday will be on **7th February**. The focus will be **Children's Mental Health**.

We hope to see many of you there.

PARENTS EVENING

Spring Term **Parents Evening** is on **Thursday 29th February, 1:40pm - 6:30pm**. The meetings will be face to face in school with appointment slots of ten minutes.

The online booking will open on **Monday 29th January at 12:00** for you to make your appointments.

To book you must log in to your SCOPAY account - information about how to book can be found here <https://www.alexandraprimaryschool.co.uk/parents/parent-and-school/parentconsultation/>

If you need further support with this, either speak to your child's class's teacher or contact the school office admin@alexprimary.haringey.sch.uk

Please note on **29th February, school will close at 1:30**.

READING AMBASSADORS

We have finally announced our fantastic Reading Ambassadors for this year.

We had our first meeting this week and have discussed lots of ideas for World Book Day, a brand new reading newsletter and exciting fundraising ideas for our new library. Keep your eyes peeled for these.

If you have any ideas about improving reading at Alexandra, please speak to Miss Joseph or one of our fantastic Reading Ambassadors.



Our value of the month is courage

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CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Our 2024 class assemblies began this week with Colombia 2.

We have four further class assemblies during January, February & March. Check the table to the right to see if your child has a class assembly this term, then put the date in your diary and come along to support and see your child's learning in action.

YEAR 2 JOURNEYS

To launch their new topic of Journeys, year 2 went on a journey around our local area last week. They started at Alexandra Primary and set off on a circular route, through the tunnel and into Ally Pally, finishing in Barratt Gardens.

They took pictures on the way of different features, asking whether they were physical features or human features. In Barratt Gardens, they also explored habitats as they are beginning a new topic of Living Things and Their Habitats in science.

Year 2 proved they are both geographers and scientists.

ATTENDANCE

All research shows that **children who attend school regularly get better educational outcomes which in turn bring better job and income prospects**. With this in mind, we have been disappointed with the school attendance in the two weeks before the Christmas break and the first week after; there are a large number of children who did not attend in that time and who now have an attendance figure of less than 90%.

We have thirteen weeks holiday a year which is why we cannot authorise time away from school around holiday times.

It is **parents legal responsibility** to ensure that their child attends school regularly; if they do not, the Educational Welfare Service may bring about **court proceedings**.

School overall attendance since September is **94.8%**; our school target is **96%**. **Lets work together to achieve this target. Remember - every day counts.**

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PARENTS WORKSHOP

Parents of children in year 2, 3 & 4 are welcome to attend a workshop on how to support their children to learn Spanish.

It will be in the school house on **Wednesday 31st January, at 9:00am**.

SPACE...

Year 1 began their new topic, **'The Space Race'**, by hosting a Space Launch. On Monday, the children used papier mache techniques to create their own planets. In the afternoon, they painted them to match their favourite planets.

On Tuesday, they created their own solar systems, using wire to hang the planets on a platform. Later, they used recyclable materials to create space rockets!

Date	Class
19.1	Colombia 2
26.1	Puerto Rico 5
9.2	Chile 2
Half Term	
23.2	Cuba 1
1.3	Costa Rica 1



Best Attendance This Year		
1	Argentina	3 96.1%
2	Bolivia	3 96.1%
=3	Nicaragua	4 95.5%
=3	Mexico	4 95.5%

Best Attendance Last Week		
1	Chile 2	93.2%
2	Cuba 1	92.9%
3	Colombia 2	92.6%



KEY DATES

Spring Term 2024

Friday 19th January
Colombia 2
Class Assembly

Monday 22nd January
Year 1 to Discover
Children's Story Centre

Wednesday 24th January
Year 4 to London Zoo

Thursday 25th January
Reception & Year 6
Height & Weight Check

Friday 26th January
Puerto Rico 5
Class Assembly

Friday 26th January
Year 2 to
Wallace Collection

Saturday 27th January
Holocaust Memorial Day

Monday 29th January
12:00 Booking Opens
for Parents Evening

Tuesday 30th January
Choir to The O2
Young Voices

Friday 2nd February
NSPCC National
Number Day

WC Monday 5th February
Children's Mental Health
Week

Tuesday 6th February
Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th February
Y5 to Heartlands for
show

Wednesday 7th February
Y5 to Kew Gardens

Wednesday 7th February
Welcome in Wednesday
Children Mental Health

Friday 9th February
Chile 2 Class Assembly

Friday 9th February
3:10 End of Half Term

Monday 12th - Friday 16th February
Half Term
school closed

