# Alexandra Park Primary School

## Newsletter



## Friday 26th January 2024

### Headteacher's Message

In Monday's assembly we discussed children having a voice and using it to influence their own and others futures. We have launched a range of councils to create opportunities for children to pursue their interests and work collaboratively on developing areas of school. Two examples are: arts and sports councils. We were going to look through all the applications today but the effort so many children have made means we will need a few days to look over them all! The ones we have seen so far are fantastic! We will update you on all our new council members next week.

### Reception

It was great to welcome Reverend Jeb from St Matthews this week to talk to Reception about special places. The children listened well and asked some fantastic questions. We also enjoyed a visit from a Firefighter who came in to speak to both Nursery and Reception about the role of a firefighter and how to keep safe. Also this week, Reception went on a winter walk to the park to look for signs of winter. We talked about the differences we could see from our last walk in the autumn.



### Eco News

Our Eco Warriors meet every half term to share ideas and thoughts on how we can improve our school environment and help support around school with recycling. Before Christmas the children helped repair our 'Bug Motel' in Alex Wood. The children were joined by Dr Hannah Matthews who is one of our School Governors. Hannah along with other parents often helps with planting and Eco projects. If any parents or grandparents would like to help support our Eco Warriors please speak to Miss Cresswell who leads our Eco Team.



#### Year 6

We have loved getting practical with our written work this work. Having created some persuasive speeches, putting ourselves in the shoes of Lord Kitchener from WW1, we then got dressed up and delivered them! We were so impressed with the children's confidence; it really brought their work to life.



## Basketball and Football

What an amazing two weeks of sporting events across school. First, we took a group of Year 5 and Year 6s to a basketball tournament. They were so good, that they even qualified for the final! We also part in a football tournament hosted by Stockport County. Both teams demonstrated fantastic collaboration, resilience and sportsmanship.



#### Emotional Health and Wellbeing - Parent Drop-In Coffee Morning

Linked to Children's Mental Health Week, We would like to invite all parents to stay for a coffee and a biscuit on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February if you are interested in finding out more about ways to support your own or your children's emotional health and wellbeing. This will be an informal drop in session where you will be able to pick up leaflets and information about support that can be offered both in school and from other services in Stockport.

Mrs Millward, our school SENCO and Wellbeing Lead, will be available to offer any advice. We work in partnership with Stockport Family and a representative for the Family Help Team will also be attending the event and again will be able to offer any advice or signposting.

Please feel free to call into the school canteen after drop off on Friday. Younger siblings are welcome to come with you.

You can also contact Mrs Millward at charlotte.millward@alexandraparkprimary.uk at any time.







#### Star of the Week

I had the pleasure of meeting our Stars of the Week for drinks and biscuits this week. As a Y3 teacher, I rarely get to spend time with the infants and I was stunned at just how articulate they were when telling me all about their favourite story characters. The older children could recommend some good reads too. I'll be hitting Waterstones this weekend for sure! Mrs Curtis



## Important dates

End of spring term	Friday 9th February 2024
Phonics open morning for parents (KS1)	9am Friday 2nd February 2024
Start of spring 2	Tuesday 20th January 2024

# Alexandra Park Parents Association (APPA)

Are hosting a

Community Valentines Family Afternoon

Sunday 18th February 2024

13.45 - 16.00

Railway Club, Edgeley Road, Stockport

Come along for a fun afternoon

Fancy Dress, Wednesday Fans we look forward to seeing you

Bingo, Games, Glitter Tattoos, Mini Disco & Tuck Shop

95 places only



# Tickets - £10.00 - 2 Adults, 3 Children (up to 16 years) £3.00 - Adult Ticket

£1.50 - Extra Child (up to 16 years)

(Includes Raffle Ticket & Bingo Ticket)
Free Blackcurrant & Orange juice

All proceeds to APPA, to host future events, for all the children of Alexandra

Park

(If you would like to support the event, but are experiencing difficulties please see Children's Teacher or APPA team)