

Friday 14th July 2023

I think this week perfectly exemplifies everything we want for our children. The Oscars were a fantastic celebration of everything our children have achieved. There were some very worthy winners, but equally, we hope all the children know how well they have done this year. To help reinforce this, every teacher made their whole class 'Star of the Week' this week and every class will have a party next Friday to celebrate how proud we are and how much they have Cared, Aspired and Achieved all year. Staying on the Oscars, I would like to say a huge thank you to the Year 5 teachers and children for putting on such an amazing performance. Thank you too to all the children who were genuinely excited when their friends and siblings won - watching the crowd and how the children react is a real highlight, not just of the Oscars, but of the whole school year for me personally.

I think it is so important that we create as many inspirational events, opportunities and experiences for the children as possible. Equally, I know that the most impratnt thing we do is provide every child with the highest level of Care and education so that every child has the best chance of succeeding in their future lives. I have said to you many times that we are determined to ensure that every child at Alex Park is a reader, and that reading is never a barrier to any child's learning or happiness. The way this is measured externally is through SATs at the end of the Year 6 - and I am delighted to tell you that our children have done extremely well. I am very proud of our Year 6 children and the whole of our team who have supported them for the 7 years they have been at our school, and the crucial role they have played in such an important stage of the children's educational journey. We are confident that our children will continue to achieve as they join their new high schools and into their futures, whichever path they choose. Our results are below:

	Reading	Writing	Maths	SPaG
National Results	73%	71%	73%	72%
Alexandra Park	93%	84%	97%	85%

Added to the above, it is always good to hear how well our children are doing when they have left us. Last night Stcokport Acadamy held their award ceremony. We were very proud to hear that 7 of the 9 children in Year 7 who won an attaniment award previously went to Alexnadra Park. Well done all and keep up the fantastic work!

<u>Oscars 2023</u>

We had the most amazing day at the Oscars on Tuesday. Thank you for all of your efforts at home on the day: the children looked glamorous and sparkly just like it said on the ticket! Thank you also for all of the care you put in at home to help the children to Care, Aspire and Achieve at school as we couldn't do it without this team effort. Year 5 hosted the day like true professionals and wowed the crowd with singing, dancing, comedy, gymnastics, music and acting and the audience participated generously too. A huge congratulations to all of the children who received awards, we are so proud of you. We are so proud of all of the children and it was important to give them all a special day to remember. Congratulations all!









<u>Year 5</u>

Over the last few weeks, we have been invited to a couple of maths competitions: Stockport Grammar and Stockport Academy. We took 21 children to represent our school across both competitions. As expected, they showed superb levels of respect and manners whilst at these

different venues. The children worked diligently, showing great pride and determination. There really were some challenging questions, some that went beyond the Year 5 curriculum but the children did not let this faze them.



Reception News

Reception has successfully been accredited the Gold Tooth Safe Award for oral health hygiene. This is part of the Oral Health promotion project run throughout Stockport and an important part of the Early Years Curriculum. Throughout the year children have been taught about the importance of oral health. We have collected feedback from our parents and sent home tooth brushing reward charts. The children have had great fun learning about keeping their teeth and gums healthy and also enjoyed a visit from our Dental Nurse. Well done Reception!



Important Dates

- Stay and Read for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children and parents will continue on Thursday mornings 8.40 to 9.10am
- Sports Day Years 3 and 4 Monday 17th July (AM)
- Sports Day Years 5 and 6 Monday 17th July (PM)
- School breaks up for half term on Thursday 27th July
- School reopens on Tuesday 5th September