



**Alexandra Park Primary School**  
*Care, Aspire, Achieve*

## Friday 27th January 2023

Another fantastic week in school. I started my assembly on Monday talking to the children about Lunar New Year and linked this to our Beliefs and Values curriculum. It has been great to pop into classes and listen to the children discussing different cultures and hear them voice their opinions. I have also heard them asking great questions, which links to our work developing the children's learning behaviours. See below for some of the great things happening in school!

### Star of the Week



It was a pleasure to speak to all of our stars of the week this week. They were all very enthusiastic to tell me what they had learned about Lunar New Year as part of their lessons and Class Forums this week. I also got to speak to them about their Beliefs and Values lessons where they explained why these lessons are so important and also how we, as staff, can make their learning even better.

### Reception

In Reception this week we have had a surprise visit from the firefighters, to support our learning of transport and journeys! The children were shown the different parts of the fire truck and given a demonstration using some of the equipment. We were all very excited and the children asked lots of interesting questions!



## Year 1

As part of their Geography learning this week, Year 1 went on a walk around our local area. We walked down Castle Street and identified a variety of different shops. We talked about the route we were taking, road safety and we worked in pairs to complete a tally chart.



## Year 2

In Geography, we have been learning all about the UK, the different countries and their capital cities. This week, we made models of the UK using playdough and plotted the countries and their capitals with mini flags. We had a great time making these and using an atlas to compare our models to the map.



## Year 3

In DT, we are going to design, make and evaluate some 3D packaging to hold a treat to give to someone special. Before we can start designing and making our 3D packaging, we have to understand what a package is and why we use it. We have been looking at three different 2D nets so we can choose which we would prefer to use for our 3D packaging.





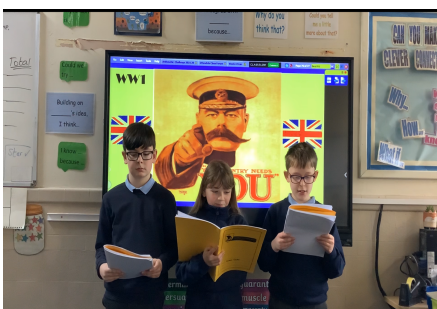
## Year 4

In our PSHE lesson this week, we discussed friendships and how to make them last. We explored the impact that aggressive behaviour can have on our friendships and different strategies for de-escalating situations.



## Year 6

In history this week, our pupils have enjoyed delivering persuasive recruitment speeches as part of their learning around World War One. Furthermore, they have applied what they learnt about life in the trenches to reenact the conditions in class - in preparation for some excellent writing next week.



## **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
- Young Voices **Monday January 30th**
- School breaks up for half term on Friday 17th February
- School reopens on Tuesday 28th February