

Alexandra Park News

Friday 24th April 2026

As a Research School, most of the strategies we use, the decisions we make, and the messages we communicate are supported by evidence. I'm not sure this would formally qualify, but the lighter evenings and the nicer weather have definitely been a factor in making this a great week in school. I'm also pleased the weather is set to be good for the weekend, so I hope you all have a great weekend.

Stars of the Week

It is always an absolute pleasure to hear why children have been chosen as Star of the Week. What really came through this time was the idea of the "always child" — those who come into school every day and quietly, consistently show the best version of themselves.

I also really enjoyed spending time with them over drinks and biscuits, chatting about what is working well in school and what we could make even better. Their views are always thoughtful and honest, and it's important we listen to them.



EYFS

Reception have enjoyed testing the boats they made over the holiday, seeing whether they floated or sank.



KS1

This week, Year 1 have been exploring the impact of different mark making. We used feathers as our inspiration to create observational drawings. The children took great pride in their work and are now getting ready to make their own bird sculptures.



KS2

Continuing our *Matilda – The Musical* project, we had a VERY exciting visit to Y6 this week from Esther Niles, an actress who we saw performing as Mrs Phelps at the Palace Theatre before the Easter break. We have been writing playscripts for a 'missing scene' in the musical, and Esther helped us to bring these to life through dramatic activities and direction. Both Esther and Grace (from the Palace Theatre) said how impressed they were with the quality of the playscripts we have written, especially the specific stage directions which helped the actors to know how to perform. The children also asked some really thoughtful questions, exploring how Esther first got into acting, her career so far, and any tips ahead of our end-of-year production. It was a special afternoon that we will remember for a long time.



Reading Ambassadors – Intergenerational Workshop at Plane Tree Court Care Home

This week, our fantastic Reading Ambassadors visited Plane Tree Court – a local care home within the community. During the session, the children had the opportunity to buddy up with different residents, share stories, magazines and other texts plus discuss all things reading! They also talked to the residents about school life in general and asked them questions to help them reminisce from the past, too. It was a fantastic afternoon and we are looking forward to going back again for further reading for pleasure activities.



Safety in the Community

As we continue through a busy academic year, we would like to kindly remind all families to take extra care when driving around the school grounds, particularly during drop-off and pick-up times. With many children moving around and our roads being quite narrow, it is especially important to drive slowly, stay alert, and be mindful of pedestrians at all times.

Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe.

Stockport Academy – Transition Event

This week, some of our children in Year 6 were invited over to Stockport Academy to take part in a transition event. During the afternoon, they worked alongside other children from a range of primary schools, as well as past pupils of Alex Park, in order to plant a community tree.



Important Dates

Tuesday 14th April	Start of Summer 1
Monday 4th May	May bank holiday – school closed
Thursday 7th May	Polling Day – school closed
Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May	KS2 SATs week
Monday 18th May – Friday 22nd May	Whole school Green Week
Thursday 21st May	Class photos
Friday 22nd May	End of Summer 1

Contacting School

As a school, we send communication to parents in various ways, including via SeeSaw and Teacher2Parents.

If you need to contact the school directly, you can do so in the following ways:

- Call in at the school office. The office is open 8.00am - 4.00pm Monday to Thursday and 8.00am - 3.45pm on Fridays
- Telephone the school on 0161 480 5557

- Email directly our Admin Officer Joanne Lockett - joanne.lockett@alexandraparkprimary.uk
- Email directly our School Business Manager Emma Sorsby - emma.sorsby@alexandraparkprimary.uk

Our community

An open invitation to all local footballers:

At Cheadle Town Juniors, one of our core club values is 'Community' – and we would be delighted to welcome children of all age groups and abilities along to our regular weekly sessions.

We have attached some further details for your review.

JOIN OUR CLUB!
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Stockport Academy

As of this Friday (24th April), Stockport Academy will be hosting '**Cheadle Heath Street Reds**' on a weekly basis. Street Reds is a free football provision for children and young people aged 8-18 delivered by Manchester United Foundation coaches. The sessions provide a safe, fun, welcoming environment for participants of all ability levels. Street Reds also aims to provide added value opportunities to support the children and young people in the local community.

To attend, a registration form needs to be completed. You can use the link below to sign up.

[Street Reds Registration Form 2026](#)

