

Alexandra Park News

Friday 6th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Since I have been at Alexandra Park, I have often heard people speak about how fantastic Janet, our lollipop lady was. Until last year, I had never actually met her, but when she came into school for her retirement event, it was easy to see why she was so well loved. She was clearly a kind and caring person who deserved all the appreciation she received.

As many of you will already know, sadly she has passed away. Her funeral will take place on **Thursday 19th February**. If any families would like to pay their respects, the funeral procession will be passing 'Janet's Crossing' between **2:45 and 3:00pm**.

Assembly

The theme for National Storytelling Week 2026 was **Soundtrack your story**. Music connects us to words. It helps us express who we are and how we see the world. Research highlights that exploring stories through lyrics can be an effective way to read for enjoyment. This week, the children have enjoyed taking part in a reading lyrics quiz, buddy reading with different aged children and exploring a range of new story magazines as a fun way to engage with reading with their peers. Keep up the great reading, Alex Park.



Stars of the Week



It was a pleasure as always to chat with our 'Stars' this week. They were very proud to share why their teachers had chosen them this week. They also had some very interesting ideas about what they would do if they were headteacher for a day. Well done all!

EYFS

Reception went on a road safety walk around the school. We talked about how to stay safe near roads and learned about the Green Cross Code. We talked about stopping, looking, listening, and thinking before crossing the road. We also discussed safe places to cross and why it is important to hold an adult's hand. The children did a great job listening and taking part.



KS1

Year 2 opened a 'shop' in the classroom this week. The children have been learning about money and practised choosing the right coins and giving change.





Sports Council

This week, the Sports Council had a fantastic opportunity to visit The Snow Centre in Trafford. Together, they put their bravery and skills to the test! They thoroughly enjoyed the various activities and kept smiling despite the cold!



KS2 - Young Voices

The choir of Alex Park, with children from Year 2, 3, 4 and 5, joined 8,000 children to sing in the largest children's choir concert in the world. The event took place at the Co-op Live Arena, Manchester and following a full afternoon's rehearsal with schools from Wales and the North of England they were ready to perform, amaze the audience and to have the time of their lives. The children were lucky enough to be able to sing, dance and perform with Urban Strides dance group, Alex Spencer, Aneesa Folds and many more artists to celebrate Young Voices 30th Anniversary season.

All the children sang so well, a true testament to all their hard work and dedication in learning all the songs and dance moves since September. The song choices ranged from Disco Fever, a Sea Shanty medley and a medley of songs from the musical Wicked. This amazing opportunity was a truly inspiring experience for all the children who took part, one that we're sure will stay with them for a very long time.



Important Dates

Tuesday 6th January 2026	Start of Spring 1
Monday 2nd February to Friday 6th February 2026	National Storytelling Week
Thursday 5th February	Young Voices - details to follow
Monday 9th February to Friday 13th February 2026	Children's Mental Health Week

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

In the community

Soccer Schools and Wildcats programmes for both boys and girls. The sessions are FREE of charge for all members of our community, regardless of playing ability or background.

At Cheadle Town Football Club, we are keen to use football as a vehicle to help build confidence and self-esteem through positive coaching behaviours such as praise, positive re-enforcement! These behaviours are reflected by our Club's core values of Community, Courage and Commitment.



UK Sports Coaching - February Half Term Camps

We are back this February Half Term with so much fun and games planned.

Dance days, Goalie wars, Multi sports, Football.

Camp Dates:

Monday 16th February - Thursday 19th February 2026

Camp Venues:

Hazel Grove Sports Centre
Romiley Primary School
St Marys Voluntary Academy Marple Bridge

Activities On Offer:

- Ultimate Football Camp
- GK Wars
- Multi-Sports Fun
- Dance Sessions

Perfect for children of all abilities who want to stay active, build confidence, learn new skills and have fun. We're an Ofsted-registered childcare provider – childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare are accepted.

Book Your Place Now:

Hazel Grove - <https://pbbl.uk/4qIE9mw>

Romiley Primary School - <https://pbbl.uk/4sKrOu0>

St Marys Voluntary Academy Primary School Marple Bridge - <https://pbbl.uk/3NhJcWJ>

Get in Touch

Got questions? We're here to help!

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Our School Nurse, Rachel Donnelly, is in school on the morning of Thursday 5th February 2026 and will be in the Infant Playground at drop off time if anyone would like a quick chat. If you would like to book a longer appointment later in the morning, please email Charlotte Millward on charlotte.millward@alexandraparkprimary.uk to arrange.

At Alexandra Park Primary School, we work in partnership with Stockport Family, which is the name used for all services working with children and families in Stockport. We work closely with other professionals to provide Early Help to all of our families. Our SENCO, Charlotte Millward, works closely with this team to offer support, advice and signposting. If you would like to arrange a confidential meeting with anyone from the Team Around the School, please contact Charlotte Millward.

Stockport Family also offers virtual sessions to families to access support in a number of areas including sleep and emotional regulation. Please see the attached leaflet about upcoming sessions.



Do you struggle when your child has a meltdown?

Would you like to know more about how to help your child stay calm and understand why this happens? Then, why not come along to our virtual session for parents of children up to 12 years old.

HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH THEIR EMOTIONAL REGULATION



Via Microsoft Teams
 15/1/26 9.30-11.30am
 12/3/26 9.30-11.30am
 5/5/26 6.30-8.30pm
 9/7/26 9.30-11.30am
 15/9/26 6.30-8.30pm
 12/11/26 9.30-11.30am

You only need to book on **one** session.

The session will include useful information about understanding brain development, emotions and how to sensitively support your child to soothe them.

HOW TO BOOK:
 Visit Facebook page: @OneStockportFamilyHubs
 or website: What's on in Stockport - Stockport Council
 or email the admin team - admin.startwell@stockport.gov.uk
 or scan the QR code



Evening sessions now available

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Do you struggle with your child's disrupted sleep?

Do you have a child aged 2 – 12 years?
 The Parenting Team would like to invite you to come along to our online session.

VIRTUAL SLEEP SEMINAR



Via Microsoft Teams:
 5/2/26 9.30am -11.30am
 16/4/26 9.30am -11.30am
 11/6/26 9.30am -11.30am
 15/10/26 9.30am -11.30am
 3/12/26 9.30am -11.30am

You only need to book on one session. The session will include useful information about understanding sleep cycles, establishing bedtime routines, and how to support children's sleep patterns. We will provide you with some helpful handouts that will support the session.

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Information and Advice Sessions- at the One Stockport Family Hubs

'Are you a parent or carer looking for information and advice about Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND), Neurodevelopmental and Emotional Wellbeing support for your child or young person? Come along to the Information and Advice Sessions and have a chat with colleagues from a multi-disciplinary team which includes representatives from The Educational Psychology Service, Jigsaw Team, Neurodevelopmental Team, Children's Therapy Services, and The Hearing and Vision Service. No formal diagnosis required.'

Please see the attached leaflets for dates and locations. If you would like any advice in school, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact our SENCO, Charlotte Millward charlotte.millward@alexandraparkprimary.uk



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