

ALEXANDRA JUNIOR NEWS

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Please can you contact the School Office if you update your mobile telephone number, to enable us to have up to date contact details in the event of an emergency.



Welcome back to school everyone, and a very happy New Year to all of our children and families! It has been wonderful to welcome the children back into school, ready for their learning journey for 2023.

Last week Mrs Higgins has been talking to the School Council on Thursday,12th January to discuss ideas on how to improve school attendance. Each class from Y3 to Y6 has a school council representative, voted for by the children themselves. The class will share their ideas together so that the representative can take the views of his or her class to the council. They discuss issues in school that the children have raised and wish to improve. It is an excellent opportunity for the children to voice their opinions and help move the school forward in areas that they feel are important.



School Dentist Visit

A letter from the school nurses have gone out to all Year 6 parents and carers only, regarding dental nurses coming into school to look at your child's teeth on Thursday, 19th January 2023. Please make sure that you return the completed permission slip that went out if you wish your child to be seen by the dental nurses for a teeth examination. Please contact the school office if you wish your child to receive another copy of this letter.

School Library

The library will be shortly receiving lots and lots of new exciting books for our children to read. If your child wishes to borrow any extra reading books, please can your child let their class teacher know and remind them once he books have been read to return the library books back, to allow another child to enjoy them.

It is our school policy that dinner money has to be paid up front on your Parentpay account.

Please be advised that should your Parentpay account go in arrears by £10.00, we will not continue to provide hot dinners. In that case please send your child into school with a packed lunch from home. As of **Monday**, 2nd **January**, 2023 meal charges will increase to £2.56 per day, £12.80 per week.

Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Minibus Driver Volunteer

Alexandra Junior School is seeking an enthusiastic and reliable person to join our school minibus driver pool for local journeys to and from school, trips and sports fixtures, bringing our staff and children safely back to school. Experience desirable but not essential. The volunteer must be aged over 25 and possess Class D1 with a clean driving licence. We wish to use the minibuses more as it keeps the cost of educational school trips down for everybody.

For an informal discussion about the role, please telephone the school on 01782 235377.

Swimming lessons will begin every FRIDAY for all Year 5 pupils. Please do not forget to send in their swimming kits and towels. The first lesson of the term will begin on Friday, 20th January 2023.





Well done to these children who have gone over and above to receive certificates:

Ī	Class	Class	Class	Class	Year 5	Class	Class	Week
	3DO	3CM	4CF	4CW		6RW	6SW	Ending
•	Viktor	Amimah	Radu	Aiza	Jenna, Haniya Kamila	Umayah	Anaya	13/01/23

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Headteacher's Awards

13/12/23 Zaina Rangzeb

When dropping off or picking up your child from school, please DO NOT park on any part of the painted yellow lines or zigzag crossings. These lines are there to protect your child's safety. Can we also request that the Staff Car Park entrance is not used for reversing or making any u -turns in the road. Please use the roundabout at the end of Meir Road if you wish to turn around. We have also had a number of complaints from local residents that cars are obstructing their drive ways! Our concern is the safety and wellbeing of our children around the school site.

Year 6 SAT's Revision Clubs

Just to remind all parents and carers that Year 6 SAT's afterschool revision classes held on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 3.55pm have started again. The sessions will run until May 2023. Please can we request your support to make sure that your child stays for each revision session.

After School Clubs

Year group	Day	Club	Finish Time	
Y3	Thursday	Drama	4.20pm	
Y3	Tuesday	Basketball	4.20pm	
Y4	Thursday	Drama	4.20pm	
Y4	Wednesday	Dodgeball	4.10pm	
Y5	Friday	Martial Arts	4.20pm	
Y6	Tuesdays/Thursdays	SATs Revision	3.55pm	
Y6	Monday	Futsal	4.10pm	

School Diary Dates

Parent's Coffee Morning
Year 6 Pupil's Dental Teeth Examination
Year 4 Parents Times Tables Meeting
Schlolastic Book Fayre in school
Schools Close
Half Term
School opens for pupils
World Book Day
Schools Close
School opens for pupils

Bank Holiday

Schools Close

Wednesday, 18th January 2023
Thursday, 19th January 2023
Tuesday, 24th January 2023 9.00am – 9.30am
Tuesday, 7th February -14th February 2023
Friday, 17th February 2023
Monday, 20th to Friday, 24th February 2023
Monday, 27th February 2023
Thursday, 2nd March 2023
Friday, 31st March 2023
Monday, 17th April 2023
Monday, 1s^t May 2023
Friday, 26th May 2023

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