# ALEXANDRA JUNIOR NEWS

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In May 2023 we celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III. It was lovely to see all staff and children dressed in red, white and blue as they arrived in school. It was an exciting day and the weather allowed us to have our afternoon street style party, enjoying lots of delicious treats, kindly donated by parents and carers in the playground. Everybody joined together to celebrate this historic occasion. Thank you to all staff who enabled us to commemorate this event so memorably for our children.

Well done and huge congratulations to all of our Year 6 pupils who had completed their SATs tests. They demonstrated a positive 'can do' attitude throughout the week and should be very proud of themselves and their achievement. We are all immensely proud of each and every one of you! Thank you to everyone involved in the planning and organising of the week which enabled it to go as smoothly as possible for the children involved. I also wish to thank all the children who attended our weekly SATS booster sessions from September 2022. Thank you!

## Year 6 Activity Week

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After a challenging year of hard work, Year 6 children enjoyed a full week's programme of team and character team building activities, visiting Stoke Ski Centre, Ninja Warriors, Alton Towers, Lyme Light Boulevard, Vue Cinema, Flip Out and Forest School activities. On Friday night, the children returned back to school at 7.00pm for an evening of fun and a sleepover at school! Thank you to all staff members who gave up their time to be with the children during the sleep over. The children were picked up by parents and family members after breakfast on Saturday morning.

### Non School Uniform Days

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Chocolate to be donated if possible. Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Smelly items – deodorant, bubble bath, if possible.

## Black Country Living Museum

On Tuesday, 20th June, Year 5 enjoyed a day at the Black Country Living Museum to support their learning about the Victorian way of life. Victorian actors talked to the children about families going to church, working down the mines and how they spent their time out of school and work time. During their visit they learnt about life of a Victorian child, especially about their strict school room. Children learnt to write on slate boards and about chanting their times tables. The school teacher was very strict and even used the cane to discipline Mr Margaritelli, who wasn't behaving himself! The children also had time to explore the Victorian shops and houses, listening to stories and information from the people who lived and worked there. It was a very informative day with lots of fun involved They had a great day and learnt many interesting facts about life in the Victorian era.

Summer Fayre

Our annual School Summer Fayre will be held on Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Please could you send into school any unwanted toys, games, books, new toiletries or jewellery for our stalls. Thank you so much for the generous

donations we have received already. We look forward to welcoming everybody!

## Star of the Week



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

Class	Class 3CM	Class	Class	Year 5	Class	Class	Week
3DO		4CF	4CW		6RW	6SW	Ending
Arijana	Abdulhaqq	Alyssa	Ibrahim	Heliz,Maham & Nihaal	Ayesha	Diogo	26/05/23
Logan	Aiza	Aqsa	Aseel	Vedha,Julia &Eliza	Roselyn	Anaya	09/06/23
Raheel	William	Ayaan	David	Kamila,Anastasia &Umar	Kevin	Arissa	16/06/23
Sara	Zaina	Lexi	Ibrahim	Marek, Ayub & Eridjona	Catalina	Ayan	23/06/23

## Headteacher's Awards 🎽 🎽 🎽 Mohammed Haaris,



Mahmoud, Adeeba and Ahmad.

## **Eid Assembly**

Year 4 presented an Eid Assembly to their families on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023 retelling the story of Ibn Baltuta a 14<sup>th</sup> Century law student from Morocco and his pilgrimage to perform Hajj. The children confidently acted out the story and ending with an Eid song which was enjoyed by everybody. Thank you to all parent and carers who were able to come to support their children perform, it is very much appreciated.

## School Holiday Dates

Non School Uniform Day Year 6 Leavers Photographs Moving Up Day - Y3, Y4, Y5 Non School Uniform Day School reports due out Prize Evening Summer Fayre Year 6 Leavers Assembly Schools Close School Opens School Photographs Last day of term Half Term School reopens for pupils

Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023 Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023 Friday, 7th July 2023 Thursday, 13th July 2023 Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023 Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2pm Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023 Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Monday, 30th October - Friday, 3rd November Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Please see lots of marvellous pictures on all school events on our school facebook site.

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## Football Match Updates



Well Done to our School Football team who won 9/1 against Belgrave St Bartholomew Academy. Excellent scores were made by Ayaan – 3 goals, Zayan – 2 goals, Alfie 1 goal, Husain –1 goal, Aryan – 1 goal and Zain with 1 goal. Man of the match was Zayan!

Triumphing again our boys went on to score 4:0 against Sutherland Primary School. Well done to Ayaan – 2 goals, Zayan – 1 goal, Zain – 1 goal. Man of the match was Ayaan!

Unfortunately we lost 4:0 to Sandon Primary School. The team displayed excellent team spirit, played well and never gave up. Well done for all your effort. Man of the match was Tommy Mitchell.







On Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 the Goblin Car team (Maria, Marwa, La'Shontia, Joshua, Gabriel,Zain,Hunain and Esther) with their engineer lead Mrs Wyse, had an early start leaving school at 7.30 am to travel to the race track in Lichfield. They have spent the last few months making, testing and designing the Goblin Car. The car had to be built by the children with an emphasis on using eco friendly materials to build their own fully functioning electric car to race themselves. The competition day finally arrived to enable our team to show case of all their hard work, engineering and brilliant team and taking turns to display their driving skills in twelve races through out the day against the clock and competing against other schools, winning several of our races.

The day involved having the car assessed, a team and car parade and 'walking the track' to find out the turns involved in the races. The team had to participate in a drag race, which involved stopping in

a box. All the children had a wonderful day to remember. A huge thank you to Mrs Wyse for making this event happen and also to our mini bus driver Mr Gascoigne for a brilliant day!



### Sports Day

Our annual Sports Day took place in June over two days and was well supported once again. The children gave their very best which was lovely to see and everyone had a good time. All the children participated in sack races, sprints, skipping races, egg and spoon, javelin, standing long jumps and obstacle races. It was marvellous to see the children enjoying themselves so much. Thank you to our children for their co-operation and sportsmanship during this event. Thank you to all the staff who assisted in every way. The competitive spirit coupled with sportsmanlike conduct throughout was a pleasure to witness. The children enjoyed all the events throughout each morning and enjoyed competing against each other in their houses.

Well done to Stirling as the winning house with the highest score! Thank you to all the parents and carers who turned up to support their children.





Engage

### On Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023, forty five

children went to Northwood Stadium to represent our school at the annual Track and Field event. The children had an amazing day and they represented the school wonderfully! They enjoyed showing off their sporting skills and cheering each other on in hurdles, skipping, sack, javelin, long jump, sprint and long distance. With good performances on the field and track events, we had lots of children qualifying for the finals. Many of our children finished in the top three of their event, competing against twelve other local primary schools, competing against strong performers! **Well done to everybody who took part!** 

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## <u>Reminder</u>

Year 4 and Year 5 Football After School Club for girls -Every Thursday from 3.20pm – 4.10pm.

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