



# ALEXANDRA JUNIOR NEWS

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It was wonderful to see so many children attend the Halloween disco last term. It was spine-tingling success! The School Hall was full of dancing ghosts and groovy ghouls. Year 5 presented a wonderful Harvest Festival Assembly, the children worked hard to learn songs and poems performing in front of the whole school and to an enthusiastic audience of parents, carers and families. Thank you to everyone who brought in donations throughout the week and will be donated to a worthy cause. We are lucky to have such a caring school community!

Thank you to all our parents and carers who attended Parents' Evening last week. It was a great success and a wonderful opportunity for teachers to share how well the children have settled into their new classes, celebrate the progress they have already made, and discuss their learning focus for the term ahead. We greatly value the continued support of our parents and carers in helping children with their learning at home – it truly makes a difference! Thank you to all parents and carers who completed the online survey to register your views and we will take these comments onboard.

## Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 and Level 2



Both classes recently took part in the level 1 and 2 Bikeability courses provided by Bike Right. They learned how to check that a bike is roadworthy and how to cycle safely on the roads in the local area. They coped well with the low temperatures and the trainers spoke very highly of everyone. Children who completed the course received a Bikeability badge and certificate.

## Breakfast Club Opens at 8.15am at Alexandra Junior School

Year Group	Start Time	End Time
YEAR 3	8:50am	3:20pm
YEAR 4	8:40am	3:10pm
YEAR 5	8:50am	3:20pm
YEAR 6	8:40am	3:10pm

## School Council Conference

Our School representatives met up with School Council representatives from Alexandra Infants', Jackfield Infants' and Moorpark Juniors School at Moorpark Junior School. The children discussed ideas on how to improve school attendance and words that describe our school ethos.

The next School Council meeting will be after Christmas 2025.

## Spelling Tests

Year 3 Monday  
Year 4 Monday  
Year 5 Monday  
Year 6 Friday

## Homework

In by Monday  
In by Thursday  
In by Wednesday  
In by Tuesday

## PE Day

3CM Wednesday 3CF Thursday  
Monday  
Friday  
6AG Thursday 6SW Wednesday

Homework – Please check your child's home school diary for their list of spellings.

## Year 3 & Year 5 Watch Me Learn – Reading

Workshop on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Parents and Carers are welcome to come into school at 9.00am into your child's classroom to watch the lesson.

## Year 4 & Year 6 Watch Me Learn – Arithmetic on

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Parents and Carers are welcome to come into school at 9.00am into your child's classroom to watch the lesson.



Aahil,  
Haniya,  
Mason,  
Mujtaba  
and  
Aizah

Week Ending 10/10/25	Week Ending 17/10/25	Week Ending 24/10/25	Week Ending 07/11/25	Week Ending 14/11/25
Alanas	Eisa	Aaliya	Murtaza	Ehtisham
Qudicia	Marcus	Salahudeen	Mahnoor	McKenzie
Marija	Mujtaba	Prayaga	Najaf	Sima
Naira	Abeera	Layla	Bisma	Nabeeha
Fatima	Jason	Georgina	Lynden	Ta'liyah
Maryam	Eshaal	Memoona	Khadiza	Aminah
Kelvin	Waleed	All of Year 6	Himayat	Miley
Haniya	Patrik	All of Year 6	Iris	Ints

### Football Results

Our School Football team recently took part in a friendly football match against Sutherland Primary School. Our school team played really well and continued to have much enthusiasm throughout the match. Patrick and Waleed worked working jointly together to try and score goals Year 5 Maya commented "Just because we lost did not mean that we had no fun". Players of the match were Keira and Maya!

### Reading with your child

Please can you read regularly with your child (at least 3 times each week) and sign their reading diary. Please can we suggest that this routine is kept up as well as practising times tables on TT Rockstars.

### School Lunches

Please pay all school lunches in advance of the following week on your child's Parentpay account. At this time too many children are swapping between a school lunch and a packed lunch brought from home. Can we ask that a choice is made between a packed lunch and a school dinner for the whole of the week. Please see our new lunch menus on the school website. It is our school policy that dinner money has to be paid up front on your Parentpay account. The cost of a daily lunch is £3.35 and £16.75 for the cost of school lunches for one week.

### Water Bottles in School

Please can you make sure that your child comes to school with a plastic water bottle and not a glass bottle. Last week there was an incident on the playground where the glass bottle broke and glass went everywhere!

### Free Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club opens every day at 8.10am with Miss Bryan and Mrs Qureshi All children are welcome to have free breakfast as we offer indoor games and they are able to play on the playground supervised.





### **Safeguarding and Support:**

The welfare of our children is always our priority. If you ever feel you need to talk to anyone in school regarding safeguarding or any welfare issues we can help with, please ask to speak to Miss Rowe and Mrs Lambert who are the Designated Safeguarding Leads.



### **YEAR 5 SPACE CAMP FRIDAY, 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

This will be an exciting experience where the children will get to use telescopes to look for stars.

### **Flu Immunisation Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025**

Just a reminder that all parents and carers need to log to this link  
<https://forms.mpft.nhs.uk/?session=6676&code=ST143485-25> to advise if your child will be taking up the immunisation.

### **Coats With Name Labels**

As the weather is getting colder and wetter, please ensure that your child comes to school each day with a waterproof coat. Please ensure that all coats and school uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name on.



**Seat belts  
must be worn  
at all times**

### **AUTUMN TERM AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

<b>Monday</b>	Gymnastics	Year 3	<b>3.15pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Football	Year 3	<b>3.20pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Basketball	Year 4	<b>3.15pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Computer Skills	Year 4	<b>3.20pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Colouring	Year 3/4/5/6	<b>3.20pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Science	Year 3/4/5	<b>3.20pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Lego	Year 3/4/5/6	<b>3.20pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Dodgeball	Year 5	<b>3.25pm-4.05pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Singing	Year 3/4/5	<b>3.25pm-4.05pm</b>

Friday	Port Vale Football	Year 6	3.15pm-4.05pm
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If your child no longer wishes to attend their chosen after school club, please can you contact the school office to allow this place to be allocated to another child. If your child wishes to join any club, please contact the school office. All after school clubs finish at 4.05pm.



2.00pm Start  
Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> December  
2025.  
Everybody welcome.

If you have any unwanted toys, books or unopened toiletries that you are willing to donate, please send them into school as soon as possible.

#### SCHOOL DAIRY DATES



Year 3 & Year 5 Watch Me Learn	Thursday, 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2025
Christmas Dinner	Thursday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Christmas Fayre	2pm on Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Year 5 Space Camp Evening	3.20pm – 6.00pm Thursday, 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2025
Year 4 & Year 6 Christmas Craft Workshop	2.00pm on Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Year 3 & Year 5 Christmas Craft Workshop	2.00pm on Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Christmas Party Day	Wednesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Christmas Holidays	Monday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025 -Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 26
School opens for pupils	Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
Half Term	Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 - Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> February 26
School opens for pupils	Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026
Last Day of term	Friday, 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Easter Holidays	Monday, 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 - Friday, 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
School opens for pupils	Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026

**IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE, PLEASE CAN ALL PARENTS, CARERS AND VISITORS CLOSE ALL SCHOOL GATES BEHIND THEM WHEN LEAVING SCHOOL PREMISES.**

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

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Alexandra-Junior-Medical-Appointments>

Please avoid making routine medical appointments during the school day for your child (doctors, dentists and opticians.) All appointments where possible should be made after school.

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