



ALEXANDRA JUNIOR NEWS

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I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed some special time with family and friends. It has been lovely to see how enthusiastically the children have settled back into school.

Healthy Snacks at Break Times

Please remember that we do not allow any juice to be in your child's water bottle or any fizzy drinks to be brought into school for breaktimes. The school offers toast and fresh fruit on a daily basis for your child to eat, this supports our Healthy Eating School Policy, which does not include chocolate or crisps.

School Librarians

We are pleased to appoint Umama, Martina, Zaina, Fajr, Maryam, Haniya, Eshaal, Diana, Mustafa, Rayyan, Fatima, Thariny, Ayat N, Amaira H, Abiha, Syanaa, Umaymah, Muzammil, Abeera, Zoya, Zimal and Naira. Year 3 applications for Librarians will be issued shortly.

Year 5 and Year 6 librarians will supervise the reading for pleasure reading scheme. Year 4 librarians will be in charge of our indoor reading for pleasure champions and Year 3 librarians will be in charge of reading for pleasure outside. All librarians can be recognised by their badges worn at breaktimes and lunchtimes. The children will have the opportunity to borrow a book from our well stocked library to read. The children will run the library once a week.

3CF Visit to Newcastle Under Lyme Synagogue

3CF enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Reform Synagogue in Newcastle Under Lyme as part of their RE studies on Judaism, where they were able to learn more about the Jewish faith including the Star of David. They enjoyed learning about the history of the faith, the types of prayer hat that they wear, looking at the Torah scrolls and how they are read and exploring their special building. The children listened with enthusiasm and asked lots of questions.

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.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday	Football	Year 3	3.20pm-4.05pm
Tuesday	Dodgeball	Year 4	3.15pm-4.05pm
Tuesday	Science	Year 3/4	3.20pm-4.05pm
Wednesday	Football	Year 5	3.20pm-4.05pm
Wednesday	Colouring	Year 3/4/5/6	3.20pm-4.05pm
Wednesday	TT Rockstars	Year 3/4	3.20pm-4.05pm
Thursday	Dodgeball-FULL	Year 5	3.20pm-4.05pm
Friday	Basketball	Year 6	3.15pm-4.05pm

Please contact the school office if your child wishes to join an after school club as we still have spaces available.

Year 6 SATs Revision Clubs

Just to remind all parents and carers that Year 6 SATs afterschool revision classes held on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 3.55pm have started again. The sessions will run until May 2026. Please can we request your support to make sure that your child stays for each revision session.

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.

Safety Reminder -Crossing Meir Road

Please can you remind your children if they need to cross Meir Road at the beginning and end of the school day to use the Pedestrian crossing for their safety.



- Well done to Misheck and Himavat

Week Ending
16/01/26

Week Ending
23/01/26



Muhammad Ali Bashir

Haniyah

Zainab

Salahudeen

Akif

Umaymah

Bisma

Mareks

Dean

Aliyan

Theodora

Madestas

Eshaal

Raheel

Arijana

School Buddies



We are pleased to announce Mohammed Eisa, Hassan, Bisma A, Jermay, Awwal, Memoona, Lijana and Sineen who will play a very important role in making sure our playground is a happy and safe place for everyone. Playground buddies can be

identified by their badge and will help out playing games at breaktimes and lunchtimes. Our buddies will help people find a friend to play with, maybe helping them find a class friend who they can join in with. They will look out for children who may need help or who seem lonely, with the aim to make breaktimes enjoyable.

Medical Appointments During The School Day

We understand that Hospital appointments and doctors appointments will often fall during the school day and children will need to be absent or be collected.

Please can you provide us with a copy of all appointment letters when this occurs to support your child's absence and enable us to mark their absence on the register correctly. Where possible, we would be grateful if you could make routine dental appointments outside of school hours as this has an impact on their learning.

If you have arranged for another person to pick your child at the end of the school day, please can you notify the school office as soon as possible for safeguarding reasons.



Future Visits

5KW Visit to Gladstone Pottery Museum on 13/02/2026

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SCHOOL DAIRY DATES

Number Day

Last Day of Term

Half Term

School opens for pupils

World Book Day

Scholastic Book Fayre in School

Last Day of term

Easter Holidays

School opens for pupils

May Day – School Closed

Last Day of Term

Friday, 6th February 2026

Friday, 13th February 2026

Monday, 16th February 2026 - Friday, 20th February 2026

Monday, 23rd February 2026

Thursday, 5th March 2026

Thursday, 19th March 2026 – Thursday, 26th March 2026

Friday, 27th March 2026

Monday, 30th March 2026 - Friday, 10th April 2026

Monday, 13th April 2026

Monday, 4th May 2026

Thursday, 21st May 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.

Here is a snap shot of what's been taking place at Alexandra Junior School this half term on our school facebook site. <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Alexandra-Junior-School/52948337177151>

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