Alexandra Park News

Friday 12th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers.

One of the targets we have set ourselves as a school this year is to ensure every child feels like they belong and are happy in school. This has to be the starting point before any learning can take place. From everything I have seen, there has been a very positive caring feeling across school. The children seem to have settled extremely well into their new classes and we are delighted with how they are all doing.

Just a quick reminder:

Please consider others when parking and driving around school.

Assemblies

This week, we launched our new weekly **Talk Assemblies** with Years 4-6. These are building on the fantastic work our staff and students put into **oracy** last academic year. They will give the opportunity for children to practise their speaking and listening skills in a different context, further exploring each week's assembly theme, as well as working across different year groups and classes.

We were delighted with how quickly the children took to this new part of school life this week; their application of their previous learning was fantastic to see! Especially well done to our first **Star Speakers**, who are now wearing our shiny new badges with pride.



<u>Summer Reading Challenge - Celebration</u>

A huge well done to all the children who completed this year's **Summer Reading Challenge!** Your enthusiasm, dedication, and love of books truly shone through. Whether you read by the beach, in the garden, or curled up at home, you should be very proud of your achievement. Keep turning those pages — your reading journey doesn't stop here!

To celebrate, we showed our awards in assembly and joined in with a game of 'Book Bingo' during the afternoon. Keep up the great reading.



BOOK BINGO

Planet Omar	The Tiger That Came to Tea	Skyhawk
Narnia	The Wild Robot	The Twits
The Savage	How to Train Your Dragon	Look Up!

Stars of the Week



Some days,and today was definitely one of them, Star of the Week is just a really good chat and laugh with a great group of children. Thanks to this week's stars - I really enjoyed your company

EYFS

We are so impressed with how beautifully our EYFS children have settled into school. They have been busy making new friends, building new relationships with staff, and exploring their exciting new environment. A big thank you to all our new families for your support and for helping to make each morning drop-off so calm and positive.



<u>KS1</u>

Year 2 have been working incredibly hard in maths this week. We have been using our new maths packs to make numbers up to 100 in lots of different ways. Here we are making numbers on tens frames with counters. We showed fantastic collaboration and creativity!





KS2

Last week, the Year 5s created their own clay dragon eyes.

They used their knowledge of texture, shape and form to manipulate the clay into their own unique design.

We hope the children are proud of their finished creations.



Forest School

The children have been enjoying wonderful hands-on learning experiences in our Forest School area. From building dens and bug hunting to learning about plants and nature, they've been developing teamwork, resilience, and a real sense of curiosity about the world around them. It's been fantastic to see their confidence grow as they explore and learn in the great outdoors!



Important Dates

Tuesday 2nd September 2025	Start of Autumn 1 term	
Friday 10th October 2025	Hello Yellow Day - further details to follow	
	Nasal Flu Vaccinations	
Friday 24th October 2025	End of Autumn 1 term	
Tuesday 4th November 2025	Start of Autumn 2	
Wednesday 12th / Thursday 13th November 2025	Parents' evenings	
Thursday 13th November 2025	School individual photos	
Thursday 11th December 2025	Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner	
Monday 15th December 2025	Reception/KS1 Pantomime visit	
Wednesday 17th December 2025	KS2 Pantomime visit	
Friday 19th December 2025	End of Autumn 2	