# **Alexandra Park News**

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Dear Alexandra Park Families,

Welcome to this week's edition and new format for the Alexandra Park News

Have a great weekend

Phil Brooke

### **Assembly Focus**

Every week, we have an assembly focus on Monday, which usually ties into our school values or Learning Behaviours. The children then have an opportunity to explore the focus in more detail during their Class Forums. In Friday's Celebration Assembly, our Star of the Week winners are often those who have exemplified the value or learning behaviour we've been focusing on.

Last week, our focus was on community. Next week, we will shift our focus to collaboration and kindness. I'll be sharing 'The Story of the Long Spoons' with the children, so it would be great if you could ask them about it.

## EYFS

It has been a pleasure to see how well our new Nursery and Reception children have settled this last week. They are enjoying forming new friendships and exploring their new environment.

### Star of the Week

It was an absolute pleasure sharing time with this week's 'Stars of the Week' Sometimes we have good in depth discussions, other times it's more of a fun chat. This week was definitely a fun chat drinks and biscuits!



Year 3

3 Attenborough had a fantastic session with our guest PE teacher this week. Mrs B taught us how to make strong movements and act like machines. Ask us to show you cogs and pistons!



### **Care & Safeguarding**

Keeping children safe and healthy is a key aim of our school and it is the responsibility of the whole school community to ensure children are kept away from harm. At Alexandra Park we have a team of staff who are here to support all families. Mr Brooke and Mrs Millward are the schools safeguarding leads and Mr Read and Mrs Wood are our deputy safeguarding leads. At times this can mean help with finances, help with foodbank vouchers, help with uniform, support for mental health, support from the school nurse or help managing some tricky conflicts. Sometimes asking for help can be the hardest part but we assure you we treat everyone with respect and keep all matters confidential. We are skilled at finding the right help at the right time and working in collaboration.



Asda and Cashpot for Schools are running a generous initiative from September through November, where they will donate millions of pounds to schools. We are eager for the children at Alexandra Park to benefit from this scheme!

Here's how it works: Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your purchases, plus an additional £1 for each parent who

signs up to the scheme, and £50 when the first person registers. Even if everyone just signs up, we would raise over £500 for new books and sports equipment!

To help, simply download the Asda app and select our school. Your participation can make a significant difference!



### Stay and Read

It was great to see so many of our Year 1 and 2 parents and carers at our very first stay and read session of the year. It was clear from the children's faces that they love sharing their reading with you.

We look forward to seeing you all next Thursday from 8:40 in the infant hall.