

# Alexandra Park News

Friday 4th October 2024

One of the highlights this week was being invited to Reception to talk about my job and what I do. When I asked the children, the first child said that I have drinks and biscuits with the children when they are Star of the Week. The second child said I give out stickers, and the third child said my job is to look after the children. I'm delighted with these answers and happy that the younger children have this image of their headteacher. It was an absolute pleasure talking to them. If you have a child in Reception, please let them know how impressed I was with them!

## Assembly Focus

This week's assembly and class forums will focus on setting and achieving small goals in order to achieve bigger goals. For example, we will be asking the children what they need to do now if they want to be a footballer, or an artist or a scientist in their futures.

## Uniform and Earrings

Every time I take an assembly, one thing which stands out is how smart our children look. This also gets commented on wherever we go. To retain these high standards, I just want to remind all parents that the children can wear shoes or trainers but trainers need to be black. Also, the only earrings children can wear in school are studs. and on PE days children cannot wear earrings at all.

## Year 1

Year 1 has been thoroughly enjoying their outdoor challenges. We have been using the construction area to build a range of towers and to consolidate our Maths learning of 'more and less'.



## Year 6

To celebrate National Poetry Day, Year 6 studied the poem Gran, Can You Rap? By Jack Ousby. Once they had successfully unpicked the verse structure, they had a go at writing their own verse that could have been used were Jack to require a new one. Have a look at some of their performances.



## Share and Care

One of the best things I've seen in a long time is people walking away from school with bags full of items and hearing them say 'I was going to buy one of these'. Thank you to everyone who donated items and the parents and staff who helped organise the event. All items which were not taken will now be donated to charity. A great event. Thank you.



Our School Nurse, Rachel Donnelly, is in school on the morning of Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October and will be in the Infant Playground at drop off time if anyone would like a quick chat. If you would like to book a longer appointment later in the morning, please email Charlotte Millward on [charlotte.millward@alexandraparkprimary.uk](mailto:charlotte.millward@alexandraparkprimary.uk) to arrange.

At Alexandra Park Primary School, we work in partnership with Stockport Family which is the name used for all services working with children and families in Stockport. We work closely with other professionals to provide Early Help to all of our families. Our Team Around the School includes Rachel Donnelly our School Nurse, Jill Candon our Family Help Social Worker and Nicola Pritchard our Inclusion Link Teacher. Our SENCO, Charlotte Millward, works closely with this team to offer support, advice and signposting. If you would like to arrange a confidential meeting with anyone from the Team Around the School, please contact Charlotte Millward.



Stockport Family also offer virtual sessions to families to access support in a number of areas including sleep, emotional regulation, toileting and sensory processing. Please follow the link to access further information:

<https://www.startwellstockport.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Top-Tips-Virtual-sessions-schedules-Oct-Dec24.pdf>



Our Asda and Cashpot for Schools is up to £183 - that's a lot of books! Thanks to everyone who has already signed up, this money will really help. If you know anyone else who can sign up, please encourage them to do so. To help, simply download the Asda app and select our school. Your participation can make a significant difference!

Stockport County Football Club Community Trust team would like to share sports camps they are running, that you can sign up for in half term.

### October Half Term County Camps.

#### Stockport Sports Village, SK6 1QX

Date: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> (you can book individual days or all 3 days)

Age Group: 6-12 years

Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm

#### Cheadle Heath Nomads, SK6 2ET

Date: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Age Group: 6-12 years

Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm

Places are limited and can be booked here

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/stockportcounty/courses.html>



### Life Leisure - Swimming Holiday Courses

Please find below details for some upcoming October swimming holiday courses. The week's course is £42 and can be booked by scanning the QR code on the attached poster.



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# Swimming Holiday Courses

Life Leisure run intensive swimming courses during school holidays at selected Life Leisure swimming pools. The courses are a great opportunity to boost your child's progression as they swim every day and therefore build up their confidence quickly. Courses are available for ages 4 to 12 and abilities from beginners to improvers.

**For ages 4 - 12 years**

**Available at Avondale, Grand Central, Hazel Grove, Cheadle, Romiley**

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