

26th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to all our families.

This week we have welcomed back some of our year 6 children. They have been so resilient in adapting to the changes made in the school environment. We have also welcomed back more key worker children and all have enjoyed their learning in school.



Update from the Government

The intention from the government is that all pupils will go back to school in September, and they will be releasing further guidance next week to assist schools to prepare for a full return.

We will expect further detail on the following topics before the end of the summer term:

- Guidance on preparing for September
- Curriculum expectations for the new academic year
- Further detail on arrangements for accountability, assessment, qualifications and inspection from September

We will therefore update parents as soon as we know more information.

Transition

Our teacher's have been working hard with the teachers in Glodwick infants to ensure the best possible transition for the year 2 children's arrival to Alexandra Park Junior School in September. Important transition meetings have taken place and Year 2 children should soon be meeting their Year 3 teachers virtually (through video) and will receive their own story book which they will enjoy reading with their families and support their learning in September.

The year 6 teachers have also been working hard with the Secondary schools in supporting our year 6 children into year 7. We are planning surprises for our year 6 children in order that we can say goodbye to them. We are also setting up small friendship virtual meetings that we trialled in school this week with the year 6 children. So please look out for a text and respond to Miss Corry. Below parents of year 6 children will find links to each of our feeder Secondary schools which include virtual tours and information about the school.

These links can also be accessed on our school website;

http://www.alexandrapark.oldham.sch.uk/?page_id=5489

Secondary school transition Information and/or video tours

Waterhead Academy

<http://waterheadacademy.co.uk.gridhosted.co.uk/transition-year-6-year-7-2020/>

Oasis Academy Oldham

<https://www.oasisacademyoldham.org/curriculum/transition>

The Oldham Academy North

<https://theoldhamacademynorth.e-act.org.uk/year-6-transition/year-6-transition/>

The Hathershaw College

<https://padlet.com/kdsthc/o1yiidon2h4yk0p2>

Oasis Leesbrook

<https://www.oasisacademyleesbrook.org/learning/transition>

Royton and Crompton Academy

<https://roytoncrompton.e-act.org.uk/useful-info/transition/>

The Radclyffe School

<https://padlet.com/lbennett66/1uexpw8uasdo>

The Blue Coat School

<https://www.blue-coat.org/admissions/new-year-7-information/>

Proposed Classes for September

Next week teachers will be meeting to discuss transition between other classes in school. Please see below for the proposed new teachers and classes for next year.

Year 3

Class 1 (Glodwick Class 2) Mrs Hipkin/Mrs Brierley

Class 2 (Glodwick Class 3) Mrs Giles

Class 3 (Glodwick Class 1) Mrs Powers

Year 4

Class 4 (Class 3) Miss Varley/Mrs Griffin/Mrs Khan

Class 5 (Class 2) Mrs Yasar

Class 6 (Class 1) Mrs Heywood

Year 5

Class 7 (Class 6) Mrs Latif/Mr Unsworth

Class 8 (Class 4) Mrs Bradley

Class 9 (Class 5) Mrs Hickling

Year 6

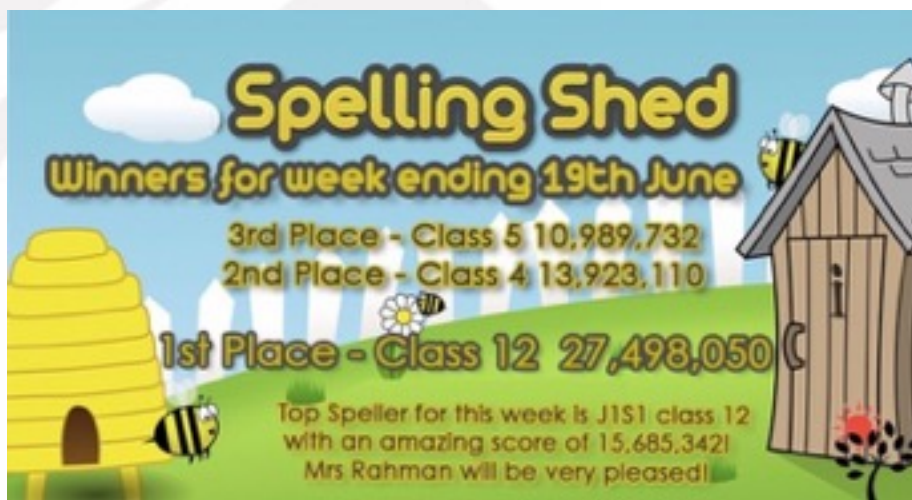
Class 10 (Class 9) Mrs Matthews

Class 11 (Class 7) Miss Akhtar

Class 12 (Class 8) Mrs Rahman

Well Done

A huge well done to **all** our children who are trying their best with their learning at home. Just try and do what you can and remember to limit your time online.





Reports

The Government guidance states that 'Schools should take a proportionate approach in deciding what information to include within their pupils' reports. It is likely that, in many cases, it will not be possible for reports to cover the period of partial school closures.'

Reports have been sent out this week and we carried out the usual annual reports based on children's achievements and attendance up until the point of Lockdown on March the 20th 2020.

If parents wish to discuss this report they can do this during their next welfare call or alternatively please contact us by email on info@alexandrapark.oldham.sch.uk , text us on 07786201169 or alternatively you can phone the school on 0161 770 8321.

Schools Creative Writing Competition from Oldham Libraries

Growing up during lockdown is a unique experience, and we want to capture and learn from our young people. To do this we're running a creative writing competition with prizes for: KS2, KS3, KS4 and post 16. Students are invited to submit a digital single A4 page (max 400 words) of any style of creative writing (poetry, story, song) which will be stored in Oldham Gallery's Lockdown Museum. Each school should collect and review their school's entries and select 5 commended pieces to be considered in the competition final, which will be judged w/c 20th July.



You can also find more about the Summer Reading Challenge attached to this newsletter.



National Schools Sports Week at Home

This week it is National School's Sports week to celebrate the important role of Physical Education and sport in enhancing young people's wellbeing. If you wish to receive free videos and activity cards then visit the website below.

<https://www.youthsporttrust.org/national-school-sport-week-home>

Well Being

It continues to be challenging times for us all. The website below provides podcasts videos and inspiring stories and information about getting help if you or someone you know is struggling.

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/your-mental-health>

Photos from this week





Alexandra Park Junior School

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