

26th May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Vocabulary Parade

It was wonderful to see the children and staff in their vocabulary costumes on Thursday. They were all made from homemade materials and were extremely creative. It was also lovely to see parents in the parade. Well done to all the children who took part and to the winners below. The photos will be posted on Class Dojo.

Class 1 - Oluwadmilola Omo Osagie
Class 2 - Hayyan Adrees
Class 3 - Muhammed Musa
Class 4 - Ayat Khalid
Class 5 - Yasha Nazim
Class 6 - Zakariyya Bin Jahid
Class 7 - Maheen Raof
Class 8 - Ehsan Ali
Class 9 - Hanfa Tahir
Class 10 - Amaya Ahmed
Class 11 - Maryam Jamal
Class 12 - Tayyab Ali



Teachers2parents

If parents can download the app to their phones for teachers2parents and put their mobile number in when it tells them this will let them in and then put their email so they will get receipts for payments.

You will be able to see all payments owed through the app as they become available and also text message reminders.

We also offer paying via card in school should any parents need too.

If any help is needed to please come to the office and Miss Corry will support with any issues.

REMINDER - Year 6 Leaver's Hoodies

Our leavers Hoodies are now available to buy!

Please click on this link to order and pay online. Hoodies will be delivered to school no later than the 7th July ready for our leaver's party.

There is a guide to sizing on the link

We can't wait to see you all in these great mementos to remember your friends at Alex Park.

<https://www.hoodiehut.co.uk/leavers-hoodies/alexandra-park-junior-school-2023/>



Oral Health

Children's oral health in Oldham remains a major concern. Despite improvements, in the 2021/22 oral health survey, 39.5% of 5-year-olds in Oldham experienced tooth decay.

During National Smile Month from 15th May – 15th June 2023 we are promoting the three key oral health messages:

- Brush teeth and gums last thing at night and one other time during the day, with a family fluoride toothpaste.
- Cut down on sugary foods and drinks and keep to mealtimes.
- Visit your dentist regularly, as often as they recommend.

To help you promote National Smile Month please find attached:

- National Smile Month poster
- Oral health websites / links.

For more information and downloads visit:

[Brush for better health | Oral Health Foundation \(dentalhealth.org\)](https://www.dentalhealth.org/) / [Free Downloads | Oral Health Foundation \(dentalhealth.org\)](https://www.dentalhealth.org/free-downloads/)

Let's get reading - BOOM Reader

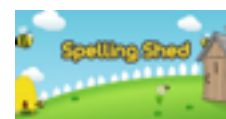
"If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books." - Roald Dahl



Well done to all the children and families who have logged onto Boom reader. We are pleased to announce the most home reading logs recorded on Boom reader this week.

Position	Name	Reads at home
First Place	Umar Ahmed Class 3 Saniya Zahra Class 9	9 parent home reads
Second place	Anum Majeed Class 3	8 parent home reads
Third Place	Zara Yasin Class 5	7 parent home reads

Spelling Shed Winners



Place	Total points awarded for correct spellings	Child
1st	5,681,072	Haroon Mohammad Class 6
2nd	5,594,010	Devine Ojomon Class 6
3rd	5,681,072	Halima Fatima Class 4



TT Rockstars - CELEBRATIONS!

The most accurate Class	Class 11
The most active class	Class 4 and 6
The most improved speed	Musa Muhammad Class 3
The most active player	Ayaan Ali Class 3

Word Aware

This week's word is 'euphoric'. Please encourage your child to use this word when out and about and complete the activities, which Miss Varley will share on Class Dojo.



Attendance

Well done to classes 1,2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11 and 12 for achieving 96% (97.1% for the school week) attendance last week.

WOW WOW WOW - AMAZING.



REMINDER - Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday and a reminder we return to school on Tuesday 6th of June 2023 at 8.40am.



Just to share the poems that the Head girls and boys performed in our vocabulary parade on Thursday.

If I could write words

If I could write words
Like leaves on an autumn forest floor,
What a bonfire my letters would make.

If I could speak words of water,
You would drown when I said
"I love you."



Make Life A Charming Poem by Geeta Radhakrishna Menon

Sweet words are like little pearls,
Beautiful and illuminating,
When words are strung together
Like a pretty pearl necklace,
They become a charming poem,
Lyrical and pleasing,
Why not make our life a beautiful poem?

Choose effective words
As they are mightier than swords.
Strangely enough swords and words,
Sounds so similar, yet poles apart.
Why bother about a sword that only slays,
When words can dance into a romantic poem,
And make your life a rewarding, soulful journey!

Pretty Words by Elinor Morton Wylie



Poets make pets of pretty, docile words:
I love smooth words, like gold-enamelled fish
Which circle slowly with a silken swish,
And tender ones, like downy-feathered birds:
Words shy and dappled, deep-eyed deer in herds,
Come to my hand, and playful if I wish,
Or purring softly at a silver dish,
Blue Persian kittens fed on cream and curds.

I love bright words, words up and singing early;
Words that are luminous in the dark, and sing;
Warm lazy words, white cattle under trees;
I love words opalescent, cool, and pearly,
Like midsummer moths, and honied words like bees,
Gilded and sticky, with a little sting.

National
Smile
Month



15th May -
15th June 2023



Brush your teeth
for two minutes,
twice a day



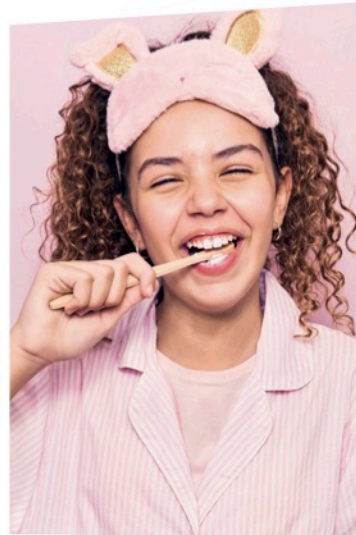
Have less
sugary foods
& drinks

Brush for
Better Health



Visit your
dentist
regularly

Clean between
your teeth
every day



www.smilemonth.org

Oral health websites and links

Oral Health Foundation

dentalbuddy.org

Colgate

[Oral Health Education \(colgate.com\)](http://colgate.com)

British Dental Association

[Oral hygiene resources \(bda.org\)](http://bda.org)

Essential Parent

[Baby teeth care – Essential Parent](#)

[Toddler's teeth care – Essential Parent](#)

[Children's teeth care – Essential Parent](#)

Give Up Loving Pop

[Give Up Loving Pop](#)

NHS Choices

[Take care of your teeth and gums - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

[Looking after your baby's teeth - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

Start4Life

[Weaning / Start4Life](#)

Change4Life and NHS Food Scanner

[Healthy Families - Better Health](#)

Looking after children's teeth - a guide for parents and carers (University of Manchester School of Dentistry)

[Looking after children's teeth - a guide for parents and carers - YouTube](#)

PHE Resource Centre

[Campaign Resource Centre \(phe.gov.uk\)](http://phe.gov.uk)

Healthier weight promotion: consistent messaging

[Healthier weight promotion: consistent messaging](#)

Videos / Music / Songs

British Society of Paediatric Dentistry (BSPD) Kidsvids

[British Society of Paediatric Dentistry Kidsvids](#)

DJ brush

[Brush DJ](#)

Brushing Buddy Bear

[GUND Brushin' Buddy Bear - YouTube](#)

Brush your teeth

[Brush Your Teeth - Super Simple Songs](#)

Billy Brush's Brush along Song

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How to brush your baby's teeth (video by Oldham Council)

[National Smile Month | How to brush your baby's teeth](#)

St Edwards RC School sing Brush Your Teeth Song

[St Edward's RC School - Brush Your Teeth](#)