

22nd May 2020

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

A warm welcome to all our families.

On Wednesday this week it was national 'Thank A Teacher Day' and children across the country sent messages to their teachers to show their appreciation of such dedicated and inspirational professionals. Thank you to all our children and their families who continue to show their appreciation for their teacher's during these difficult times. We receive lovely messages when welfare calls are made.

I would personally like to thank all our teachers for their continued efforts to ensure that our children are learning, being safe and happy and achieving their best. We are never, never, never giving up!

We must also thank the staff in school that do not teach yet keep the school running behind the scenes. A huge thank you to Mr Harrison our Site manager and his team of cleaners and also Mr Moore our technician (he has supported many teachers with technical issues in keeping our staff connected). Also to Mrs Lynch who continues to proof read letters that are sent out to parents.

### **Wish to become a Guinness World Record Holder?**

If you enjoy and know your times tables then you can take part in a competition to hold a Guinness World record. Mrs Rahman has sent the following information that is attached to this newsletter. Good luck children!



### **Home learning**

With next week officially being half term, teachers will not be setting homework on Study Ladder but have organised for a creative Brain-builder for you to take part in with your families. Please visit our website for more information on our class pages.

Well done to all our children for keeping up with your learning and we hope you are enjoying the feedback that your teacher's are giving you.

Well done to these children also for their success last week.





# Alexandra Park Junior School

To Learn, Be Happy and Achieve Our Best



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Inspire. Motivate. Achieve.

STUDY LADDER  
**STARS OF THE WEEK**  
15<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020

*Class 1- Maria for always logging on and trying hard to complete all tasks.*

*Class 2- Saad for never giving up and going on study ladder more frequently all week.*

*Class 3- Halima Hussain for smashing her tasks everyday!*

*Class 4- Muhammad for smashing his maths and spelling activities.*

*Class 5- Hamza for super commitment when completing Study Ladder tasks.*

*Class 6- Mohsin he has done lots lately answering 2977 questions altogether.*

*Class 7- Ismail for working extremely hard.*

*Class 8- Dawood for going on Study Ladder regularly, always doing his best.*

*Class 9- Eesa for going back to try and make each unit 100%*

*Class 10- Yusuf A for increasing his correct answer percentage.*

*Class 11- Amna A for always completing the tasks and improving her scores.*

*Class 12- Zahra for being one of the first ones to access studyladder.*

## Kindness and Gratitude

This week has been Mental Health Awareness week. As we are ending the eighth week since the beginning of lockdown, it's a good time to reflect and think about all the kindness and gratitude we have witnessed so far. We have seen first-hand our everyday heroes in the shape of key workers, and the country uniting to thank them for their continuous hard work. We have seen children putting rainbows in their windows, demonstrating solidarity. We have seen people offering support to those who can't leave the house to get their essentials and purely selfless acts from the likes of Captain Tom raising money for the NHS. Whilst we can't, and won't forget the sadness which Covid-19 has brought to many of our lives, we hope that when we look back at the unprecedented time we found ourselves in, we will remember the kindness that shone through and feel that sense of gratitude.

Twinkl has produced these ideas for children <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/daily-kind-act-ideas-t-1f-2548974> and a powerpoint <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-2545863-kindness-week-powerpoint> to use at home.

The Anna Freud Centre has also produced this 7 day Acts of Kindness Calendar <https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/seven-days-of-kindness-calendar/>

## Letter to Parents from the Local Authority

You will have received a letter yesterday informing parents about the re-opening of school to year 6 children. We will continue to keep you updated in terms of any further information. This is also being translated and we aim to send these out soon. Please also find attached to this newsletter a letter to parents from the Local Authority.







## EID

Although Eid will be different during this time we hope that it brings fun, happiness and Allah's endless blessings. A special Eid Mubarak to all our families.

