

13th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Dinners

We continue to provide healthy and nutritious school dinners in school. These high standards in school food ensure that children don't eat sugary and fatty foods and can eat well at school. Research has shown that school meals are now consistently more nutritious than packed lunches, giving the children who eat them a better foundation for good health.



Our health champions are extremely keen to promote our school dinners and encourage children and their parents to switch from packed lunches to school dinners.

They have produced this fantastic video with the help of Mr Clarke and this includes a tour of the kitchen and messages from our superb cook Mrs Everitt and her team.

<https://vimeo.com/477612329>

Food Donations

Thank you to all our children and their families for all the donations of food brought in this week. There were so many items we have run out of boxes! It is great to work together to help combat poverty and hunger across the UK. No-one in our community should have to face going hungry. All the food will be collected by Oldham food Bank on Monday.



Parent Governors

Firstly, on behalf of all the Alexandra Park Junior School Community we would like to say a very big thank you to Mrs Sahdia Jabeen for her support over the four years as a parent governor. As we are not able to thank Mrs Jabeen in person we have sent flowers to say thank you.

Thank you also to all of the four parents who applied for the vacancy of parent governor and all the parents who sent in their votes. We can now confirm that our two new governors starting from next week are:

Miss Samina Iqbal and Mrs Nosheen Akhtar.

Congratulations to them both in securing their roles and we welcome them in bringing a partial perspective to the governing body and a positive impact on our children's education, school life and community.



Children's Time To Shine

In our virtual assembly this week children were chosen to share their learning with the rest of the school. A huge well done!

Thank you to:

Kaab Raza (Class 10) for sharing his newspaper report and Fayzan Zahid for sharing his super time in completing the competitive times tables challenge.

Hasnain Raja (Class 5) for sharing his learning, with such confidence, about his performance poetry, adding numbers with more than one exchange and his solids, liquids and gases work in Science.

Aisha Hussain (Class 1) for her explanation of the Victorian PE lesson.

Spelling Shed Winners

Congratulations to our top speller Las Nuri (Class 12) for the second week running with a SUPERB 150,272,432 total points for his correct spellings.

Place	Winners	Total points awarded for correct spellings
1st	Class 12	209,034,952
2nd	Class 8	37,976,506
3rd	Class 10	18,724,415



Special Education Needs (SEND)

Please find attached to this newsletter a letter from Vicky Ford MP, the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Children and Families, to children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), their families and carers and those who work to support them.

Following the introduction of the new national restrictions on 5th November, this letter provides advice and guidance on several issues, including school attendance, children who are clinically extremely vulnerable, remote education, face coverings in education settings, respite, health services for children and young people with SEND, and the new winter package to provide support for children and young people and their families.

