

Alfred Salter Weekly

News from Alfred Salter Primary School

15th November 2019

Dear Parents & Carers

We have had lots of exciting things going on this week, a group of children went to Tales on Moon Lane to choose books for our library; School Council went to the Houses of Parliament; Year 1 have spent today at the Tower of London as well as the events for Children in Need. The excitement doesn't stop there – we are all dusting off our dancing shoes for the school disco this evening! We started today with a fantastic assembly from Coral Class, which was all about democracy. It was a timely topic and they had an important message to us adults to make sure we are registered to vote. They shared the information in assembly and I thought I would also share the link here: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote> the deadline is 26th November.

Children in Need

We celebrated Children in Need day in true Alfred Salter style with a non-uniform day! In the lead up



to the event, we had a bake sale which proved to be very popular. I would like to thank the parents and carers who donated such lovely cakes and treats, they went down a treat and sold out quick. A special thank you to Poppy's (Year 5) parents, Kerryann and

Ben, who donated amazing prizes for the raffle. We raised a total of £695.67!

Fighting for Democracy!

Amber Class have been learning about democracy and the role of the Members of Parliament at the House of Commons. As part of this topic, the visited the Houses of Parliament to further develop their knowledge and understanding. The children found the buildings fascinating and enjoyed see how it all



happens in real life. Coral Class will also be visiting the Houses of Parliament next week.

Visit to the Imperial War Museum



As part of their History topic on World War Two, Year 6 visited the Imperial War Museum. The children were

able to see the war through the eyes of the people who lived it and were moved, inspired and transformed. They visited a number of galleries including the Holocaust one.

Fire Safety

The London Fire Brigade visited the school to run



fire safety lessons for Year 2 and Year 5. The children learnt about common fire hazards, how fires spreads, smoke alarms and much more. The sessions

were informative and children were able to ask questions to the Firefighter.

Tales on Moon Lane

A group of specially selected Reading Ambassadors visited the gorgeous 'Tales on Moon Lane' bookshop on Thursday. The children helped to pick out books that they liked the look of to go in our newly revamped school library! Stay tuned for



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more news about our exciting new reading projects! this day.

School Council Tackles Parliament



The School Council visited the Houses of Parliament this week to see and engage in real time politics. They had a heated

debate with members on electric cars versus petrol cars. They thoroughly enjoyed the day and it was made extra special on their return journey back to school when the bumped into Pudsey!



British Land Works

British Land will be undertaking some drilling work at the Print Works site for 3 weeks from 25th November 2019. There is be no disruption to the roads or pavements but there will be some noise disturbance.

School Gates

We are currently experiencing technical difficulties with our gates. The connection between the intercom system at the gate and in the office is not working. We are trying to get this fixed but it may require us to dig up part of the pathway and so we will need to do this outside of term time. If you are at the gate outside of the usual pick up or drop off times please call the office if a member of staff hasn't noticed you are there and let you in. Thank you for your patience while we resolve this.



Tackling Air Pollution



Here at Alfred Salter, we are very keen to do our bit to tackle air pollution and would like the whole school community involved. Fumes from cars and air pollution can cause very serious health conditions with long lasting effects. We are asking parents and carers to support us to make our school a healthier place by switching off idle engines when parking outside of school. Thank you for your support.

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Please come and join us at our first AGM on

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 20th November at 9am.



GET INVOLVED!

We would like to create a 'Friends of Alfred Salter' group and looking for parents and carers to volunteer their

time to help raise key funds for the school. There are a number of roles we would like to fill including Chair, Treasurer, and Class Reps. If you have any ideas of suggestion on fundraising and/or are interested in taking on a key role, please come to the meeting.

Christmas Performances

Nursery parents and carers are invited to a festive concert of Christmas songs and carols on Thursday 5th December at 2:30pm.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be performing their Nativity "**The Angel Express**" on Tuesday 10th December. Performances will be at 10am and 2pm.

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be performing "**The Snow Queen**" on Wednesday 18th December.



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Performances will be at 2pm and 6pm.
Tickets will be available via ParentMail for all performances.

Christmas Lunch



Nursery Christmas Lunch will be on Wednesday 11th December for children who usually

have lunch at school.

Reception to Year 6 will be having their Christmas Lunch on Thursday 12th December. If your child usually has packed lunch and would like to have a Christmas Lunch, please contact the school office. Children will be able to wear their Christmas Jumpers on that day.

Christmas Fayre



On **Tuesday 17th December**, we will be holding our Christmas Fayre from 3-6:30pm. We will have stalls and

games and we hope that Santa will visit to see the children! We would welcome volunteers to help out beforehand or on the day. We are also collecting the following items

- Small packets of sweets
- Items for the tombola
- Chocolate coins
- Bottles of wine for the bottle tombola
- Clean, empty glass jars
- Cakes for the cake sale
- Christmas Jumpers that have been grown out of

End of Term Parties

The children will have their end of term parties in the last week of term. More information from class teachers will be sent out nearer the time.

Excellent Learning

Our Excellent Learning animal this week has been **Willing Wolf**. Willing Wolves are willing to have a go and think 'I can do it' when trying out new challenges. They look for challenges and cope with change.

Our next Excellent Learning animal is **Discovering Dolphin**. Discovering Dolphins have particular interest and explore using their senses; embrace open ended activities and show curiosity in the world around them.

Attendance (%)

Rainbow	97.91
Violet	90.2
Magenta	99.11
Indigo	96.3
Amethyst	94.38
Cyan	97.92
Turquoise	94.75
Emerald	94.33
Juniper	96.67
Ochre	95.51
Honey	99.4
Coral	96.91
Amber	95.54
Garnet	94.64
Crimson	97.62

Total attendance this week is 96%
Well done to Magenta, Honey and Cyan Classes for winning this week's attendance award



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House Points

Brunel 142
Mayflower 124
Rotherhithe 120
Thames 82



Dates for your diary

Date	Event
20/11/19	Universal Children's Day
22/11/19	Emerald Class Assembly
12/11/19	Children in Need Cake Sale
15/11/19	Non Uniform Day for Children in Need
15/11/19	Disco for Years 1-6
20/11/19	Friends of Alfred Salter AGM
29/11/19	Cyan Class Assembly
05/12/19	Nursery Carol Concert
06/12/19	Turquoise Class Assembly
10/12/19	Reception and KS1 Nativity
11/12/19	Nursery Christmas Lunch
12/12/19	Reception – Year 6 Christmas Lunch
12/12/19	Nursery Closed
12/12/19	Breakfast and After School Club Closed
13/12/19	Christmas Jumper Day for Save The Children
18/12/19	KS2 Christmas Performance
19/12/19	End of Autumn Term
20/12/19 – 03/01/2020	Christmas Holiday
06/01/2020	INSET Day (closed for children)
07/01/2020	Beginning of Spring Term

