

# Alfred Salter Weekly

News from Alfred Salter Primary School

31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

## Dear Parents & Carers

We have had a great week here at Alfred Salter. The children had the fantastic opportunity to work with Starsnappers in digital photography workshops, please see below for more details.

## Starsnappers

Starsnappers, an educational arts company who offer a variety of projects for children and schools, with a focus on photography and multimedia came in this week to run workshops with all the children.



During the workshops, children photographed each other using a professional digital camera in a full photographic studio built in the hall.

The workshops incorporated different aspects of the school curriculum, from portraiture and self-portraiture to Digital media and art. The children learnt about the dynamic angle in portraiture and the equipment used in a professional studio. The children had an incredible time and we will be showcasing their photographs of Art around the school.

## Phonics Parents' Workshop

Reception and Year 1 Parents are invited to a workshop on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 9am** to 10am to find out more about how we teach Phonics.

The Phase One team are fully qualified in Sounds Write Phonics and underwent training to deliver and teach it in the classroom. The workshop will give parents and carers the opportunity to find out how phonics is being taught and the chance to take a certified course.



## Parents' Evening



Parents' Evening for the whole school will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 3.45pm to 7pm. Appointment slots can be booked through ParentMail.

Please speak to Jane in the Office if you need any guidance.

## Parent Governor Ballot

We have received nominations from Chris Treasa Anto and Susan Geary for our one Parent Governor vacancy. Ballot forms went out with the children this week.



Please complete the ballot form by voting for the nominee of your choice by Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020 and place the form in the ballot box which can be found at the School Office.

## Safeguarding

It has come to our attention that a small number of children are wearing watches to school that are capable of sending messages and making calls. Due to our commitment to safeguard our children, we request that these are kept for out of school use only. Any watches with messaging / call capability will be removed by a member of staff and returned to parents and carers directly. Thank you for your support.



## Bike and Scooter Parking

Please ensure that any bikes or scooters that are parked in front of the school are locked to the racks. We have had a number of thefts of bikes that are left overnight or at the weekend but we are also aware that cycle theft can be opportunistic.



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The school does not take responsibility for items left in the bike and scooter racks.

### Parking Around School



I would like to remind parents about being considerate when parking around school when dropping off or picking up children. Parking at or

around corners can be dangerous and can obstruct the view for pedestrians. Please also switch off engines

### Holiday Childcare



Buzzers Academy will be back with us for the Easter and Summer holidays. Last year's holiday clubs were very successful and the children who attended had a great time with lots of sports

and activities. Booking is open and more information can be found here: <https://www.buzzersacademies.com/> Buzzers is open to children who are in our current Reception classes up to current Year 6. We can also welcome children who attend other schools.

### Excellent Learning

Our Excellent Learning animal this week has been **Enjoying Elephant**.

Our next Excellent Learning animal is **Organising Octopus**. Organising Octopuses develop target sand goals, plan how to tackle a task, review activities and, adapt and improve the way they do things.

### Attendance

Violet	90.57
Magenta	93.1
Indigo	95.37
Amethyst	93.68
Cyan	98
Turquoise	94.75
Emerald	98.72
Juniper	94.25
Ochre	94.14
Honey	94.35
Coral	96.43
Amber	98.85
Garnet	96.6
Crimson	93.1

Well done to Amber, Emerald and Turquoise Classes for winning this week's attendance award

### House Points

Mayflower	664
Thames	657
Brunel	562
Rotherhithe	553



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## Dates for your diary

Date	Event
31/01/2020	Indigo Class Assembly
31/01/2020	Netball Competition
31/01/2020	Hockey Competition
05/02/2020	Teddy Bear Hospital Visiting Reception
06/02/2020	Year 6 Junior Citizen Trip
06/02/2020	Reception and Year 1 Sounds Write Parents' Workshop
07/02/2020	Amber Class Assembly
11/02/2020	Dentist visiting Nursery
11/02/2020	Year 5 Our Hut Trip
12/02/2020	Year 2 trip to London Zoo
14/02/2020	Juniper Class Assembly
17 – 21/02/2020	Half Term
06/03/2020	Honey Class Assembly
11/03/2020	Year 6 trip to Natural History Museum
13/03/2020	Ochre Class Assembly
20/03/2020	Coral Class Assembly
27/03/2020	Emerald Class Assembly

