



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parents Surgery

Please note that Friday 21 December is our last day of term, and therefore, there will be no Parents Surgery taking place. The first Parents Surgery in the Spring Term will be on Friday 11 January, from 4.00pm-5.00pm.

Year 8 Parents' Evening

Due to the increased number of students in year 8, there are now two parents' evenings, split by half-year groups:

Thursday 10 January, 5.00pm-7.00pm
Parents' Evening for 8LNPQR students

Thursday 17 January, 5.00pm-7.00pm
Parents' Evening for 8STVWX students



Winter Exam timetable

Please click [here](#) to view the Winter Exam Timetable 2019 for our Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12.

The timetable and other useful exam resources can be accessed from the Student Home page on our school website.

Season's Greetings to all our students, parents and friends of Alperton Community School.



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who attended Year 11 Parents Evening on Thursday. This year group are moving into a critical phase in their 2019 examination preparation. It is really important that all of our students, but Year 11



Photo: Mr Gerard McKenna BSc(Hons) NPQH

and Year 13 in particular, do not fritter away their time over the Christmas break. Please make sure your children have plenty of homework and revision to get on with.



You should be able to view all the home learning set by teachers on 'Show my Homework' - you can find the icon at the top of the home page of the school website.

Your child should aim to read at least TWO books over the Christmas break. We have many online learning resources (e.g. MyMaths, Kerboodle) and there are many fun and enjoyable learning experiences children can take part in over the Christmas break: 101 Things to do in London with Teenagers (many of these activities are free).

Thank you to the many parents who joined us on Wednesday evening for our annual Christmas Music Concert. A special thank you to Ms Powell, Ms Stifani and Ms Lazare for organising the event.

Well done to the Year 10 Geography students who have braved the winter chill during their fieldtrip to Juniper Hall, Surrey. The fieldtrips are a compulsory element of the new Geography specification. I am pleased to say our students behaved impeccably and gathered copious amounts of data during the day.

A special thank you to Ms Parkin who organised last week's Scholastic Book Fair. Having sold over £500 of books, the school received a donation of £200 towards our Library. Well done to all the students who purchased books.

A reminder that due to the increased number of students in year 8 we have decided to split the parents' evenings by half-year groups. This means there will be one parents' evening for 8LNPQR students on Thursday 10 January (first week back) and a parents' evening for 8STVWX students on Thursday 17 January.

Memorable musical performances at Alperton Community School Winter Concert

On Wednesday 12 December Alperton Community School hosted a fantastic Winter Concert. The students prepared some amazing musical performances and our guests who came to support the students had a great time watching our talented performers.

Many thanks to everyone who came to support the production and congratulation to all the students and staff who worked extremely hard to put together such a fantastic evening.



Alperton takes part in the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day



On Friday 14 December, our school took part in the "Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day" to help raise money for children. On the day our staff wore their most wonderful woolies and donated £2 to the Save the Children Charity.



Throughout the last week of term, a series of special assemblies will be taking place in school in order to recognise, reward and celebrate our students' excellent achievements.

Student Voice fundraising for local charity to support the homeless during Christmas

This Christmas our Student Voice and House system will be supporting the homeless and those in need. They will be donating food to Sufra Charity, a local food bank supporting the homeless. This is the Student Voice's second charity event in this academic year. Last year Alperton attended Sufra's awards evening and won the award for the best support from a secondary school.



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"Nana korobi ya oki" (literally: seven falls, eight getting up); it means fall down seven times and get up eight.

This Japanese proverb says so much. We are all going to face tumultuous times throughout our lives. This may be at home or this may be at school. What builds character, what makes us able to continue is that we move past these times and move forward. We are a **community** school. This means that we support each other through times of hardship. Accept responsibility and move on. Stop at nothing to achieve your goal. All the struggles you face will be worth it in the end.

Student Voice Newsletter



We have just published a new edition of our Student Voice newsletter. Please click on the image below to access it.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

ALL	Thursday 20 December - All students House Competitions
ALL	Friday 21 December - All students Celebration Assemblies
ALL	Monday 24 December - Friday 4 January All students - Christmas Break
ALL	Tuesday 8 January - All students First Day of Spring Term - 8.30am
8	Thursday 10 January - Year 8 Parents Evening
8	Thursday 17 January - Year 8 Parents Evening 2
10	Thursday 31 January - Year 10 Parents Evening
10	Thursday 7 February - Year 10 Targeted Parents Evening
8	Thursday 14 February - Year 8 Year 8 Options Evening
ALL	18 February - 22 February All students - Half Term