

*Warriors of learning and challenge***ANDERTON PARK NEWSLETTER****Issue No. 16****0121 464 1581****9th January 2018****www.andertonparkschool.org.uk, Twitter: @AndertonPark****Happy New Year!**

It's great to see everyone after the holidays, fresh and full of life. Thank you from all the staff for all our cards & gifts you so kindly sent. You are warm, generous people.

Thanks to Umayma we have an Eid celebration planning committee who have lots of ideas of how we will celebrate Eid later this year too. We are all looking forward to this.

Great improvements to our school building

We have been busy over the holidays improving our school. There are new grass areas in the Nursery area, Reception area & Large Playground, new sky lights in the Shared Areas that allow in lots of light and new boilers in the Nursery and the Saffiyah Khan Suite.

Listen to your children read

This week, listen to your child read more. Often children get out of the habit of reading every day over the holidays and need a kick start. Please listen to your child read more than usual this week and check they are reading accurately and not misreading for example 'quite' not 'quiet' or 'lately' not 'late'. Every syllable is important.

Very proud of our former pupils...

It's always great to hear about older siblings who have continued to do amazing things after leaving Anderton Park. Today I've heard about Sara who is studying medicine at Nottingham University and Assia, her sister who is studying medicine at Leicester University.

Junaid is at Aston University studying chemical engineering.

Let me know about anyone else with details of previous Anderton Park students, it's lovely to hear about them.

Quotes from staff

We asked staff for their favourite quotes so each week we will give you one of them. This week we have...Mr Ali whose favourite quote is " *You are not one drop in an ocean. You are the entire ocean in a drop*".

Coffee Morning with Learning Mentors

Mr Harris, Mrs Saunders and Miss Christie would like to invite parents to come to school on **Wednesday 16th January 2019**, 9.00 - 10.30 to discuss, develop & share ideas how Anderton Park School could help its families and the community in 2019. One of these ways to help is the possibility of a summer scheme during the 6 weeks holiday. If you would like any more details, please speak to Mr Harris, Mrs Saunders or Miss Christie. They would love the opportunity to speak to lots of parents and families to hear your input.

Schools & Parenting and Positive Parenting Courses

Many parents came to the introduction sessions we had for the Positive Parenting and Schools & Parenting courses that we are running for parents (through the course provider WEA). The Positive Parenting course is for parents or carers who want to improve their home life with their children. This course started this week but there are a few places still available.

The Schools & Parenting course provides a range of opportunities for people to explore their skills, abilities and interests in working with children and young people in a wide range of educational settings. This course is due to start next week and there are a few spaces left. This could lead to a Level 2 Award in support work in schools and colleges.

If you would like to undertake either of these courses, please speak to Mrs Narinder Bilkhu.

3SH Swimming

Children in 3SH are going swimming in the afternoons for the next two weeks - finishing on Friday 18th January. They had a great start yesterday!

Celebration assemblies

Assemblies for Y1 - 6 take place on Wednesdays at 1.45pm:

Y5 & 6 Large Hall

Y3 & 4 Small Hall

Y1 & 2 Sports Hall

The Nursery and Reception assembly will be at **11.00am on Friday 11th January**, in the Sports Hall.