



Alexander Hosea Primary School

'Roots to grow, wings to fly'



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For school calendar: <http://www.alexanderhoseaprimay.co.uk/calendar/?calid=1&pid=3&viewid=1>

Dear Parents/Carers,

World Book Day

World book day was an absolute joy again this year. The children threw themselves into the opportunities and loved the chance to dress up and take part in reading activities (including being read to by a wide variety of staff). The staff also got in the spirit of things with Reception dressing up as 'Room on the Broom' characters and the rest of the school as characters from Harry Potter and there was joy and laughter around the school all day. Thank you to Miss Clark (English Leader) for organising.

Staffing update

We carried out two days of rigorous recruitment processes for the new deputy headteacher this week. As you would imagine for our wonderful school, we received lots of interest in the role and we were able to shortlist a group of highly skilled and competent people. We have now concluded the process and as soon as the final checks have been completed, we will provide parents and children with further information about the new deputy we have appointed. We know that they will be a great addition to the team.

Friends of AHS

At the recent AGM, the committee stepped down and a new committee was elected. We are very grateful to the outgoing committee – Mrs Mason-Elias, Mrs Chappell and Mrs Jefferies - for their hard work behind the scenes as well as running the fantastic events across the year (such as the summer fair). The committee provided fun experiences for the children and families as well as raising a huge amount of funds for the children's benefit. Thank you to all involved. We now look forward to the year ahead with the new committee – Ms Lipczynski (Sammy's Mum) – Chair; Mrs Sharples (Amber) – Treasurer and Mrs Price (Matilda and Jenson) – Secretary.

Neuro-diversity week

Next week (17th – 23th March) is Neurodiversity week. To celebrate this, we will be having a whole school assembly to learn about Neurodiversity and various conditions. Many of our older children are already excited to talk about their experiences. Miss Edgar - SENCO

Kind regards - Mrs Deb Williams - Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Week 4 17th March

Neuro diversity week
18th – Y2 & Y5 at the mosque
18th – Y5 team at Dodgeball tournament
18th – Discos: Inf 4:15-5; ks2 5:15-6:15pm
19th - Y2 parent lunches
20th – Tag rugby team tournament

Week 5 24th March

25th – Y5/6 tag rugby team at tournament
26th-28th – Y5 at Kilve Court residentials
26th – Y6 netball team tournament
28th – Hobbs House baking with Y6

Week 6 31st March

Swimming top up for invited Y5/6 chn
31st – Y6 clarinet performance to parents
31st – Cup awards
1st April – Y6 learning outcome to parents
1st – Parent Council
1st and 2nd – Parents' evenings

Parent lunches

Parents/Grandparents of **Year 2 (Jet class)** are invited to join their children to eat lunch on Wednesday 19th March 2025 at 11.30am, maximum of 2 adults per child at a cost of £3.80 per adult, booking will be available through ScoPay in due course, further information to follow.

Maths competition

Two teams of children from Y5 took part in a National Maths Challenge run by Herts4Learning Maths. They had to work together to solve a range of complex maths problems while being timed in an online competition. It was great fun and although neither team have made it through to the final, they achieved excellent scores and displayed brilliant teamwork. We will also be taking part in the Y4 Challenge at the start of May. Miss Edgar – Maths Leader

This term's Value



Special menus (see email from December for more information)

31st March – Eid Al-Fitr

15th May – Eurovision themed menu

6th June – National fish and chip day

Reminder: please pre-book on Scopay

WEAG & Eco Club

Eco club and Mrs Brooks were successful in receiving hedgerows from Woodlands Trust. This week, on Monday, the Eco club and volunteers from WEAG planted lots of new hedgerow saplings. Thank you WEAG for helping us plant these, the children loved the experience. Thank you, Mrs Brooks, for organising.



Named / labelled uniform

Please check your children's uniform and items coming into school for labels and names that may have washed out. We have a large amount of drinking bottles and uniform in lost property.

You can order new labels from Name Tag, where a donation of your order is contributed to Friends.

www.mynametags.com/affiliate?id=29328

School discos

Thank you for all your help voting, we won a free disco with Party Peeps!

This will take place on Tuesday 18th March, thank you Friends for hosting.

KS1 4.15-5pm
KS2 4.15-6.15pm



Pupil premium

If you are in receipt of benefits, your child may benefit from additional funding through the school. Please complete a short application online or call Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

<https://find-information-for-adults-children-families.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=yp4evwg7Duw#apply>

Library Service

We have Gloucestershire Library service due in soon to review our fiction books in the library and suggest ways to improve the offer to free readers.

Thank you, Friends, for paying for this vital service.



Friends of Alexander Hosea

Friends of Alexander Hosea Committee Update

As you are all aware the Friends recently held their AGM (annual general meeting). Thank you to all those who attended the meeting. It was great to see you there.

The committee has been ran for the last 18 months by Faye, Lucy & Teresa, who have done a fantastic job. All 3 committee members decided it was time for them to step down at the AGM. We'd like to thank them for their hard work and dedication to Friends & volunteering so much of their personal time.

We'd like to introduce ourselves as the new committee members;

Alice (Reception & Year 3 parent) - Chair - 07800825467

Gemma (Year 1 parent) - Treasurer - 07876376477

Tara (Year 1 & Year 3 parent) - Secretary

If you have any new fundraising ideas, or would like to help with an event please do get in touch. Thank you to those who have already offered us support.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday 29th April at 6pm, we will be running a crèche should you need to bring your littles. We'd love this meeting to be focused on your thoughts, what events you like / don't like, what ideas you have for fundraising. Please do come along. Tea, coffee, hot chocolate and biscuits will be provided.

You are welcome to contact us via the channels below:

✉ committee@friendsofahs.org

📱 Friends community WhatsApp group (please contact one of the committee members on the numbers above if you wish to be added)

Friends Facebook page

📞 On the personal mobile's above