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### Newsletter 19, 21st June 2024

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

Dear Parents/Carers

**Summer Fair** – Friends of AHS are hosting our annual summer fair **tomorrow**. The team have put in a huge amount of effort to organising this popular event. We look forward to seeing you there!

**District Sports** – 30 children took part in the annual District Sports at KLB this week. The children represented the school fantastically and we are delighted to inform you that Alexander Hosea won the inter school competition for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row! See item from Miss Williams on the next page. Congratulations to the AHS team and thank you to the staff (Miss Williams, Mrs Gee, Miss Edgar and Mrs McAleese) for accompanying them.

**Clerk to Governors** – We have a vacancy for a Clerk to Governors. Please see email sent on 10<sup>th</sup> May. We are keen to fill this vacancy as soon as possible, ready for the new school year.

**Reception places for September 2024** – We still have a few places in the cohort, if you know of anyone who may be interested in a school place at our wonderful school. Tours for prospective parents are open all year round by contacting the school office.

**School trips** – This week has been a great one for trips. Y3 visited Stonehenge and Y4 went to Bristol. Have a lovely weekend. Kind regards, Mrs Williams

#### Dates for your diary:

##### Week 4 (24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> June)

28<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day (school closed to children)

##### Week 5 (1-5<sup>th</sup> July)

1<sup>st</sup> July - Shuffle up to new classes (including new EYFS)

1<sup>st</sup> July – Y6 sports enrichment by Swift Sports

3<sup>rd</sup> July – Shuffle up to new classes (including new EYFS)

3<sup>rd</sup> July – rounders tournament with other schools

4<sup>th</sup> July – Y5 drumming performance for parents

##### Week 6 (8-12<sup>th</sup> July)

9<sup>th</sup> July – Assembly with Yate Library - summer challenge

12<sup>th</sup> July – Reports home

##### Week 7 (15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> July)

15<sup>th</sup> July – Pearl class sports leader training

15<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 performance to parents outside if dry weather

16<sup>th</sup> July – Topaz to Slimbridge

16<sup>th</sup> July – Friends end of year disco

17<sup>th</sup> Opal – sports leader training

18<sup>th</sup> July – Jet project outcome in hall

##### Week 8 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> July – 2 days only

22<sup>nd</sup> July -Golf experience

22<sup>nd</sup> July – Cup assembly

23<sup>rd</sup> July – Y6 leavers' assembly

Please see teachers' weekly newsletters for more information about class-specific events and activities.

Diary dates will be emailed to parents for the coming week on alternate weeks.

## redMUSIC

June 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

*Is your child interested in learning to play a musical instrument in September?*

redMUSIC is pleased to continue offering weekly in-school **Guitar, Keyboard & Ukulele** lessons at Alexander Hosea Primary school, for those in Years 2 to 6.

Please note if you have already put in an application for lessons, or your child is currently having music lessons, there is no need to reapply.

**What does redMUSIC do?**

We provide exciting music lessons which focus on getting hands on with the instrument using popular music, with theory following later. Our coaches have worked with thousands of children in many schools over the last eighteen years, with our methods proving successful in maintaining enthusiasm for the learning journey.

**How much do the lessons cost?**

- 'Group' lesson (1:4) - £7.20 per week (*guitar & ukulele*)
- 'Dual' lesson (1:2) - £8.70 per week (*all instruments*)
- 'Individual' lesson (1:1) - £12 per week (*all instruments*)

**How can I sign up?**

The application process is carried out online (please visit [www.redmusic.uk/apply](http://www.redmusic.uk/apply)). Places will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis and are subject to sufficient numbers, so please complete your application ASAP. Late applications will still be considered but spaces are limited. Further information is available on our website or by emailing us: [admin@redmusic.uk](mailto:admin@redmusic.uk)

*We encourage you to see this as a journey of a whole year.* Signing up to lessons does involve a commitment of at least a term, so it is essential that you are able to commit to your child receiving tuition. Four (4) weeks notice will need to be given if you wish to cease lessons.

Many thanks

Rich & Dan, Owners  
redMUSIC

TO SIGN UP ONLINE  
PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE:  
[www.redmusic.uk/apply](http://www.redmusic.uk/apply)



### Lunch break Supervisors

We are urgently looking to increase our team of lunchbreak supervisors. If you know of anyone who may be interested in 1-5 shifts a week, please ask them to contact [Taralou.Price@sgmail.org.uk](mailto:Taralou.Price@sgmail.org.uk) for further details and an application form. All applicants will need safeguarding checks, including DBS check and 2 fully supportive references.

### Family Support Worker – Mrs Scott

Parent may contact Mrs Scott by email at [Rachael.Scott3@sgmail.org.uk](mailto:Rachael.Scott3@sgmail.org.uk) or via the school office on 01454 294239

Mrs Scott works Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

### Online safety – Whatsapp

We discourage the use of Whatsapp by primary aged pupils, as they do not have the social, emotional and safety understanding that older teens and adults have. However we do know that some parents allow their Y5/6 children to use this app.

Gloucestershire Police force have circulated a safety notice about a recent incident involving Y6/7 aged students – see below.

<https://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/news/gloucestershire/2024/june/police-urge-parents-to-check-their-childrens-whatsapp-settings/>

We would encourage parents to check their child's settings and make sure that the privacy of groups is set to 'my contacts' only. This will prevent anyone with an ulterior motive from being able to add your child to a group that may be a risk to their safety.

As a safety measure, it is also advisable for parents to check their children's phones at regular intervals to check what they are accessing and that they are engaging appropriately with apps they are using.

At Alexander Hosea, we are proud to...



Our value for the term is:

### Be resilient.

We know that growth mindset and the 'power of yet' helps us to bounce back and achieve our goals

### District Sports

On Wednesday, 30 KS2 children went to KLB for district sports. Here they took part in 400m, sprint, skipping, sack and relay races. The children were all well behaved and represented the school beautifully. The children's great attitude and sportsmanship has led them to win the shield for another year!

Thank you to all parents who came along to support their children. A big thank you to Miss Edgar, Mrs Gee and Mrs McAleese who came along to cheer on the children! Miss Williams - PE Leader



### Parent Council

This week we had our final Parent Council meeting of the year. The link to the minutes has been emailed out to parents and is on the website.

Thank you for your contribution to the discussions, celebrating successes and sharing ideas to develop further.

Our next meeting is on **24<sup>th</sup> September at 2:30pm.**

Please could the class reps contact the office to confirm by the end of June whether they will be continuing. If you are handing on to another parent, please let the office know who the rep will be. We will also need a new rep for new Topaz, if anyone would like to volunteer.

The Parent Council is an important part of our home school partnership and is a way of parents sharing views and school responding and sharing developments. There are 5 meetings a year (we do not meet in Term 5 as this is usually a short term) with Mrs Williams and we meet for 50 minutes from 2:30-3:20pm.

It is really valuable to have all classes represented in discussions, so please do try to have a rep for your child's class (it is ok to share the role between 2 parents).

Feedback or questions for Parent Council need to come to the rep by a week before (at the latest), so that Mrs Williams can prepare for the discussion.

### Message from Lunchbreak Supervisors

We just wanted to say what an excellent week the children have had this week. They have all been getting on really well and playing well together. The children have been very helpful in working as a team to pack away playpod. What a pleasure it has been!

Mrs Sellen, Mrs Oram, Mrs Shupik, Mrs Arnott, Mrs Dyer and Mrs Trull.

We are looking to expand our amazing team of lunch break supervisors. If you or someone you know might be interested in joining our happy and successful staff team, please contact [Taralou.Price@sgmail.org.uk](mailto:Taralou.Price@sgmail.org.uk)

All applicants will be subject to safer recruitment checks.

### The Hive – new mural in progress

Mrs Hathaway (Y6 parent and illustrator) has been beaver away in the Hive to create a beautiful mural. She has taken inspiration from the hexagons in the values; plants in the Hive and insects and creatures that she has photographed in Wickwar.

A group of Y3 and 4 children spoke with Mrs Hathaway about her design process and how she developed her ideas to link in with the environment. They were really inspired and we cannot wait to see the finished design!



### Maths Calculation Policy

As a school we have a Calculation Policy to guide our teaching progression in the 4 operations (- + x ÷).

Our approach to maths is on the school website (the link to Calculation Policy is at the bottom of the web page).

<https://www.alexanderhoseprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Maths&pid=325>

As requested by Parent Council, Miss Edgar (Maths Leader) is planning to arrange an information session for parents in the new academic year. More information to follow.

### Medication reminder

All medication needs to be signed in with the office (see email from the Admin Team this week). It should be in the original box with pharmacy label. Children must not bring it in their bag.

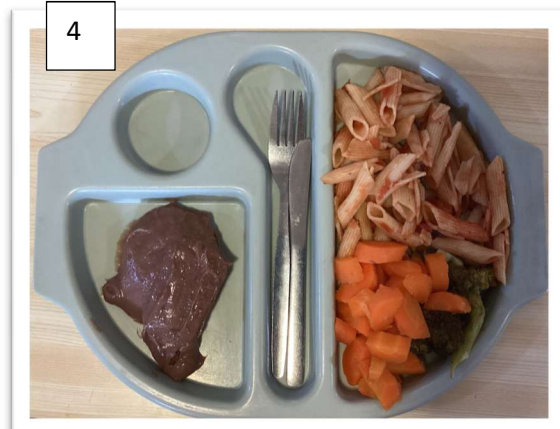
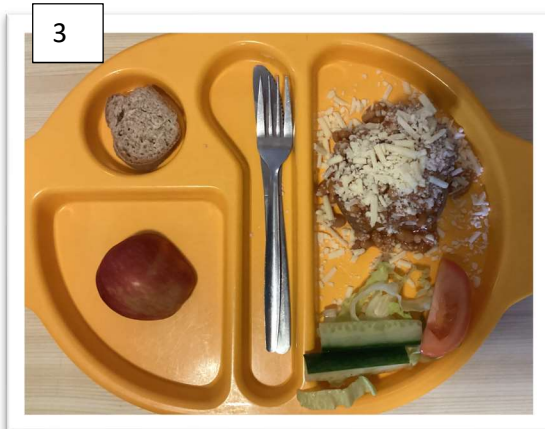
Thank you.



## School Lunches

As requested by Parent council please see images below of Wednesday's meal options:

1. Roast of the day with yoghurt pudding option; 2. veggie roast of the day with chocolate pudding option; 3. jacket potato with cheese and beans, salad, fresh bread and fruit pudding option; 4. tomato pasta with vegetable sides and the chocolate pudding option).



## Friends of Alexander Hosea School

[committee@friendsofahs.org](mailto:committee@friendsofahs.org)

### Summer Fair - TOMORROW!

Please join us and show your support for the school! All children will benefit from the money raised at the event. Don't forget your suncream and hats. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

The 100 Club winners for June have been drawn and will be contacted:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – £23.25 – Number 29

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - £9.30 – Number 49

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - £4.65 – Number 15

Thank you for supporting the recent Rags2Riches collection, £111.60 was raised for the school.

**Summer Fair – THIS SATURDAY**

There will be tokens available to purchase at the gate to use at the Friends of AHS Games. Cash also welcome!

THE FRIENDS OF ALEXANDER HOSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL

# SUMMER FAIR

SAT 22ND JUNE

11am - 3pm

At the school, GL12 8PF

- INFLATABLES • SWING BOATS • GAMES •
- CLASSIC CARS • EMERGENCY VEHICLES •
- STAGED PERFORMANCES • WORKSHOPS •
- RAFFLE • STALLS • FOOD • AND MORE •

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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUMMER FAIR

RAFFLE DRAW 14.30

## ARENA

- 11.15 - GLOUCESTER RUGBY WORKSHOP
- 12.15 - WELLY WANG GAME
- 13.15 - ACE HIGH DRONE SPECIALISTS DEMONSTRATION
- 14.15 - TAE KWONDO DEMO & WORKSHOP

## STAGE

- 11.20 - LA DANCE
- 11.45 - REDDS
- 12.20 - RENEGADE CHEERLEADING
- 12.40 - TOP PERFORMANCE DANCE AND DRAMA CLUB
- 13.50 - SAMBA WORKSHOP & PERFORMANCE

PLUS... 11.00 - AVON AND SOMERSET POLICE  
11.00-13.00 - WILD WILLOWS FOREST SCHOOL  
11.00 - 13.00 - AVON FIRE AND RESCUE