

Newsletter 7, 13th December 2024

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

Dear Parents/Carers

The festivities are well under way now, with this week one of the busiest in the calendar with many performances to parents. The excitement continues next week with Topaz and Y5/6 performances, Christmas parties, Christmas lunch and Coffee and Carols. Thank you for all your support and engagement this year.

Christmas class stalls – The class stalls event went really well. The lucky dip and chocolate tombola were a hit as well as the main class stalls. Thank you for supporting the event and to all those who helped to make it a success. Special mention to Mr & Mrs Farthing for organising and running the lucky dip. The event raised £1026, which benefit all of the classes.

Trips and events – Y5 had a very busy week last week. They visited KLB for a taster day, which they really enjoyed. As usual to the children represented the school exceptionally well and were complimented for their conduct throughout the day. They also visited Technquest in Cardiff as part of their space related project.

Congratulations to Year 4 on their ukulele concert to parents. They have learned a lot in the lessons with West of England Music and we are proud of their efforts.

Years 1&2 and 3&4 performed their shows to parents and carers this week. The children were fantastic and showed bravery and great teamwork in delivering super performances. Thank you for your donated to the class funds. Y3&4 have an additional £33 each and Y1&2 have an additional £94.18

each to spend on items for their classes.

Data reports Y1-6 – these have been sent to parents/carers by email today.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas!

Kind regards – Mrs Deb Williams – Headteacher



Dates for your diary

Week 7

- 16th Dec – Reception performance to parents am
- 16th Dec – Cup assembly
- 16th Dec – Y1 pirate day-parents at 2.45pm
- 16th Dec – Y5/6 service at church for parents - eve
- 17th Dec – Y5/6 service at church for parents pm
- 18th Dec – Christmas meal for children
- 20th Dec – Coffee and carols for parents am
- 20th Dec-Christmas jumper day

Christmas break

Term 3

Week 1 6th January

- 6th Jan – INSET day – school closed to children
- 9th Jan – Prospective parent tours for EYFS Sept 2025

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

New signing in system - coming soon..

We are in the process of setting up an electronic signing in system. This will be linked to an ipad in the school lobby.

When staff and visitors arrive and leave, they will use this rather than the current paper books. All staff will continue to wear a red Alexander Hosea lanyard; visitors have a blue lanyard and governors a green lanyard.

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>

This terms' Value



Reception applications for Sept 2025 – Primary school admissions

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, you must apply for them to start primary school in September 2025. This is a very important decision and it is important that you read the [South Gloucestershire Primary school admission guide](#) before you apply. Applications for primary school admission must be submitted no later than **15 January 2025**.

<https://find-information-for-adults-children-families.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=GLu6GUIMkpw&familychannel=2-2&channel=family>



Cygnets Autism Support Courses for 2025



- ✓ Free for parents or carers in South Gloucestershire
- ✓ whose children are aged 5-18
- ✓ and have a formal autism diagnosis.

- Develop your understanding of autism.
- Look at practical solutions to support your child.
- Meet other parents in a similar position.
- In a supportive atmosphere.
- Visit turtlecyp.co.uk/home/cygnets/

7 week courses in person or via Zoom.

- Bradley Stoke: Fri 10 Jan @10am
<https://eequ.org/experience/11816>
- Online: Thurs 16 Jan @ 7pm
<https://eequ.org/experience/10064>

Available to book now on EEQU - see above links.



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18/12/24

CHRISTMAS

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS TURKEY
with all the trimmings
or
MUSHROOM & SQUASH WELLINGTON (Ve)
with
ROAST POTATOES
FESTIVE VEG

CHRISTMAS COOKIE (Ve)

edwards and ward
a recipe for success

Parent Governors

We still have two vacancies for parent governor roles and would love more members of the school community to join our team of governors. If you are interested, please take a look at the information emailed on 12th December and complete an application form before Monday 13th January 2025.



Christmas events

Parents are invited to performances and project/journal shares below.

| | Performances to parents | Project outcomes/ journal shares | Other dates for diaries |
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| Topaz - Reception | Mon 16 th Dec 9:30am | Journal share at performance on 16 th Dec | |
| Ruby – Y1 | | Mon 16 th Dec 2:45pm Pirate event and journal share | Tues 17 th Dec Christmas parties – children can bring a plate of food to snack on mid-afternoon |
| Jet – Y2 | | Thurs 19 th Dec 2:45pm – fruit salad and journal share | |
| Crystal – Y3 | | | Thurs 19 th Dec Christmas parties – children can bring a plate of food to snack on mid-afternoon |
| Diamond – Y4 | | | |
| Opal – Y5 | At Trinity Church: Mon 16 th Dec 6pm | | Fri 20 th Dec Christmas parties – children can bring a plate of food to snack on mid-afternoon |
| Pearl & Amethyst – Y6 | Tues 17 th Dec 2pm | | |
| Whole school | Fri 20 th Dec 9:15am Coffee morning with songs from all classes | | Wed 18 th Dec Christmas lunch Fri 20 th Dec Christmas jumper day |



Friends of Alexander Hosea School

committee@friendsofahs.org



Wishing everyone a joyful holiday season from the Friends of AHS. A heartfelt thank you to all who have volunteered and supported our fundraising efforts this year. Your generosity and dedication are deeply appreciated!

COFFEE AND CAROLS

Please bring a lidded cup to 'Coffee and Carols' on Friday 20th December for hot drinks.

Hot and cold drinks will be available, plus cakes. There will also be a used toy and book sale for some last minute Christmas shopping!

Please bring cash if you can.



RAFFLE PRIZES

Please consider donating unwanted chocolates or bottles of wine to the Christmas raffle, taking place at 'Coffee and Carols'.

A collection box is available in the school Reception area.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting will be held early in 2025 so please keep a look out for the date. All members of the school community welcome.

