Alexander Hosea Primary School 'Roots to grow, wings to fly'



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

From Mrs Williams:

Happy new year! We hope that everyone enjoyed a restful break. The children have come back to school really well (the return to early starts is a bit of a shock to the system for all of us!). The children have been starting their new projects and many of the classes have had their wow days to launch these this week, for example: Y6 had an evacuee's day and came dressed in costumes from WW2 era; Y1 had a visit from Yate Heritage Centre to talk about toys across the ages and Y4 have been making Egyptian masks and dressing up this week.

The teachers are planning trips and visitors in most year groups during the spring term and Y5 and 6 will be getting ready to go on their residential visits to Kilve Court and Morfa Bay in the coming months.

Staffing update

Miss Amy Clark has now started her maternity leave and we welcome Miss Aasia Ali next week. We look forward to meeting Miss Clark junior in the coming weeks and wish Miss Clark all the very best as she starts her exciting new chapter as a mum.

Later in the term, Mrs Grainger will also be leaving for maternity leave and Miss Abi Hurford will join the school.

In other baby news, we are delighted that Mr and Mrs Rehman have welcomed a new addition to their family. Nathaniel is 7 weeks old and mother and baby are doing well.

Congratulations to Mrs Ayse Ozer, who has completed her training to become a new ELSA worker, to work alongside Mrs Lisa Joyner in the great work she has been doing as an ELSA worker since 2021. Miss Edgar will continue to line manage the ELSA provision and prioritise children for the provision on a termly basis.

School meal change

On Thursday 19th and Friday 20th the school dinners will swap over. This means that there will be fish fingers and chips on the Thursday and curry on the Friday of this week only.

Also on Thursday 19th January, we will be providing a FREE taster school dinner to all children in Topaz, Jet and Ruby. Children can book their meal choice on the day.

Our new catering team are settling in really well and are very conscientious and friendly. If you need to contact them about anything dietary related, please do so through the school email address and we can pass messages on.

Lunchbreak Supervisor Vacancies - open advert

We are looking for new lunchbreak supervisors to join our successful team. There are roles for bank staff (who can work on a casual basis) as well as a contract for 3 lunchtimes.

If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in applying for this role, please contact Mrs Tara Price (new School Business Manager) at TaraLou.Price@sgmail.org.uk or ring the school on 01454 294239 for more information.

Please see health flier about Strep A and Scarlet fever on the back page.

Please seek medical advice if you think your child has either of these.



The Friends is a group of parents and carers who organise activities and events throughout the year to raise funds to support the school. New committee members and helpers are always welcome, so if you would like to get involved please get in touch via FriendsOfAHS@hotmail.com.

Cake sales Thank you to Pearl, Diamond and Crystal for your cake sale donations for our Christmas events! **Next up** is **Emerald class** – please could you organise an after school cake sale before the February half term holiday? Let us know the date you agree with school and we will help promote it!

New Year, new committee! The Friends AGM is on **Wednesday 25 January** at 7.30pm in the school library. Please do come along if you would like to join the committee as an officer (chair, treasurer or secretary) or class rep, or just find out more about what we do for the school! It will be followed by our regular committee meeting where we discuss our event plans for the coming term.

Rags 2 Riches clothing collection: Our next clothing collection is just a month away on **Thursday 9 February**, so if you are having a clear-out, please bag up any clean, good quality clothes, shoes and accessories (sorry, no uniform) and bring them down to the school roundabout before 9am.

Don't forget to check our Facebook page and webpage for the latest news!



Parent Council

The next meeting for Parent Council is Wednesday 18th January at 2:30pm at the school.

Please could reps seek feedback from parents in the class to feed into the discussion and email to Debbie.Williams@sgmail.org.uk with subject 'Parent Council notes for X Class' by Friday 13th January.

If your class does not have a rep, it would be helpful if a parent would be able to volunteer to gather thoughts and attend the meeting. You would not need to commit to every meeting, but it would be great if all classes could be represented.





Should I keep my

child off school?



Until...

| | Chickenpox | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over |
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| | Diarrhoea and Vomiting | 48 hours after their last episode |
| | Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19, |
| | Impetigo | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics |
| | Measles | 4 days after the rash first appeared |
| | Mumps | 5 days after the swelling started |
| | Scabies | they've had their first treatment |
| | Scarlet Fever | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics |
| | Whooping Cough | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics |

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Head lice | Tonsillitis |
| Threadworms | Slapped cheek |



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Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.