



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

Dear Parents/Carers

We are proud of the children for coming back to school, after half term, with a great attitude and enthusiasm to learn. There was much excitement about what they were planning to do for Halloween! The children are continuing their learning in the project they started in September and many classes have trips to look forward to in the coming fortnight to enhance their learning.

Black History Month – We celebrated diversity during October for Black History Month and the Friends of AHS paid for a visitor to come in to lead sessions with all classes on the subject. The children really enjoyed this experience and were able to talk knowledgably and respectfully about the theme, demonstrating our 3 Bees – be kind, be respectful and be responsible.

Dog's Trust – this week Mrs Windmill organised for a visitor from the Dog's Trust to lead sessions for the children on safety around dogs. This came about as a few parents had noted that their children felt very scared about dogs.

Kind regards, Mrs Deb Williams - Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Weekly tours for prospective Reception parents continue until 12th January.

Week 2

6th Nov Christmas Jumper swap after school – Friends & Eco committee – online shop

7th Nov South Glos Parents & Carers SEN coffee morning

7th Nov Ruby class trip to Aquarium

7th Nov deadline for feedback for Parent Council

10th Nov 1 min silence for remembrance

10th Nov Y6 at Lifeskills Centre

Week 3

Anti-bullying week

14th Nov Multi-faith day workshops

14th Nov Parent Council

15th Nov Y5 trip to Techniquest

16th Nov Reception to Westonbirt

17th Nov Children in Need

17th Nov nasal flu vaccinations

17th Nov football team at tournament in C/Sodbury

Week 4

24th Nov Non-uniform for chocolate donation FoAHS

Week 5

29th Nov Y3 trip to Puxton Park 30th Nov FoAHS Christmas Gift Sale 1st Dec Christmas Fair 4-6pm

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

Diary Dates for Parents will be emailed on a Friday for the coming week (in the weeks when there is no school newsletter).

Cross Country at Dursley Rugby Club

During half term, a team of ks2 children represented the school at a local cross-country tournament. They gave their best efforts and were great ambassadors for the school.



Congratulations to Max, Alfie, Sam and Jack





Friends of AHS

Thank you to everyone for supporting and helping at our fundraisers! Keep up to date via our <u>Facebook page</u> or by emailing <u>FriendsOfAHS@hotmail.com</u> if you would like to get involved.

HALLOWEEN QUIZ Thank you to everyone who came to our Halloween Quiz! It was a great night and raised lots of money for the school. Huge thanks to Alice Lipczynski and her team for organising the event and Dan Peachey for being our guizmaster!

DIARY DATES for the Christmas term!

Non-uniform day collecting donations for the Chocolate Tombola on Friday 24 November.

Christmas Fair on Friday 1 December from 4-6pm (Pearl class to donate cakes please)

Carol & Coffee morning on Friday 15 December (Opal class to donate cakes please)

Plus – Look out for details of our **Christmas Gift Shop** coming soon – if you are able to lend a hand with this popular event by helping our Elf team to wrap gifts, please get in touch!

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



New safety markings

Following concerns raised by parents about the safety of pedestrians near the entrance to the staff car park, we secured funding from Avon and Somerset Police to add new safety markings on the roundabout and entrance to the staff car park. Please encourage your child to stop and wait for their adult before the red kerb, where it is marked 'STOP'. Please do not allow your child(ren) to walk into school via the vehicle gates, use the path gates only.

Cotswold Orchestra

This week a group of children joined the local Cotswold Orchestra for their 1st rehearsal. The next session is at St John's Mead Primary on 21st November. See email from 9th October for more information.



Please use one page of the new reading records per week.

New! Reading Awards for Classes

From next week, the children can earn a raffle ticket each time they read 5 times a week. At the end of the term, each class will draw a raffle and the winner will take home the class trophy for the term.

Miss Clark – English Leader



Primary schools' admissions

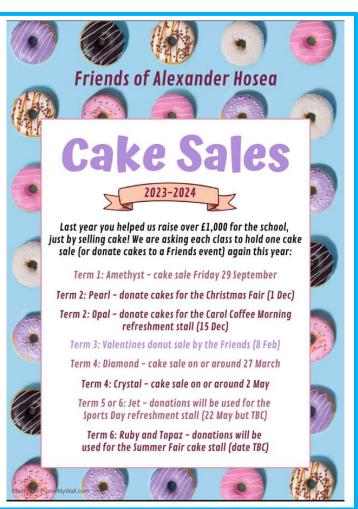
If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, you must apply for them to start primary school in September 2024. This is a very important decision and it is important that you read the <u>South Gloucestershire Primary school admission guide</u> before you apply. Applications for primary school admission must be submitted no later than **15 January 2024**. https://find-information-for-adults-children-families.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=GLu6GUIMkpw&fa













Shaun's Garden

We are looking for a working party to help us to clear and tidy Shaun's Garden (school allotment area). If you would like to get involved, please contact the school office.

We would like to clear the weeds and tidy around the beds, so that we can start planting for the spring.