

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

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**Newsletter 16 – 27th May 2022**

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

Dear Parents/Carers

The children enjoyed their in-school Platinum Jubilee celebrations will be last Friday. It was lovely to see the sea of red, white and blue clothes around school and during the playground parade. Thank you to the Friends of AHS for selling ice creams in the playground at the end of school. They are planning to do this again as the summer goes on.

We wish all of our families a happy and relaxing half term and hope that everyone is able to get out to enjoy the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations across the week.

**Sports Day – 8<sup>th</sup> June**

We have put Weds 8<sup>th</sup> June in the diary for sports day (weather permitting). We are very pleased that this will be a family event again this year. Parents are invited to join us for :

**Infant (Topaz, Jet and Crystal Classes) sports day 10-11:30am**

**Picnic lunch for families**

**KS2 (Emerald, Ruby, Diamond, Pearl and Amethyst) 1:15-2:45pm.**

The kitchen will be making up picnic boxes for the children for lunch on this day. These are free for Infants and children in receipt of free school meals and £2.30 for KS2 children, payable in advance.



**CAKES FOR SPORTS DAY**  
**WEDNESDAY 8 JUNE**

Helpers needed on the day!

The Friends will be serving teas, coffees and cake from 10am

PLEASE BRING CAKE DONATIONS TO SCHOOL BY 9AM - HOMEMADE OR SHOP-BOUGHT ARE ALL WELCOME, BUT NO NUTS PLEASE!

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THE FRIENDS OF ALEXANDER HOSEA  
**5K FUN RUN**  
**SAVE the DATE!** 16th JULY 2022

IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE WICKWAR GAMES  
AT KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELDS  
The Downs, Wickwar, GL12 8JZ  
Look out for information on how to register coming soon!



## Friends of AHS

We are always in need of active volunteers to help run our fundraising events and the summer term is looking particularly busy! Look out for our announcements about upcoming events and get in touch via our [Facebook page](#) or by emailing [FriendsOfAHS@hotmail.com](mailto:FriendsOfAHS@hotmail.com) if you would like to help.

**Sports Day help and cake donations** The Friends will be offering teas and coffees at the school Sports Day on **Wednesday 8 June**. Please consider lending us a hand for just half an hour on the day – the refreshments are normally served between races, so please be reassured that if you help out you will not miss your child's races! We would be very grateful if you could also help us with donations of cake on the day– please bring bought or made cakes to school in the morning.

**Rags2Riches Clothing Collection:** Our next collection will be on **Wednesday 15 June**. Please bring bagged donations (no school uniform) to the school roundabout by 9am on the day.

**Flowers for the Queen's Jubilee:** Thank you for your donations of flowers for the Jubilee. With the help of three Wickwar Environmental Action Group and two parent volunteers we have weeded and planted the beds outside Crystal/Diamond classes. We hope they will soon be flourishing!

**Don't forget to check our [Facebook page](#) and [webpage](#) for the latest news!**

### Integra Catering

Our catering providers will be continuing to cook on site going forward. They are still cooking for another school too.

The red, white and blue special lunch was special for the children last Friday and we are looking at more special theme days in the months to come.

We now have a long-term kitchen manager in place for the foreseeable - Mrs Emma Corbiere. She is very experienced and is taking a strong lead.

### Pre-loved Uniform

If you have any uniform or PE kit that your child no longer requires, please donate to school office. This will be collected by the "Friends" who are posting the items in size order on their Facebook page. Parents can then leave a comment of items they wish to purchase for free or you may give a donation to the "Friends". These bundles are then labelled for families to collect from the rail outside the school office.

Please click on the link below and check out items that are available.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/134666233792581/?ref=share>

### Lunchbreak Supervisors Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Lunchbreak Supervisor for 1-3 lunchtimes per week. Each shift is 1.25 hours. The hourly rate is £9.79. Job description available on request. Training will be provided by existing experienced staff, so no previous experience needed. Suitable candidates will have a caring personality; strong interpersonal skills; ability to work collaboratively as part of a team and ability to use initiative.

If you know someone who might be interested in the role, please email [Ian.Swann@sgmail.org.uk](mailto:Ian.Swann@sgmail.org.uk) or call 01454 294239 for more information.

In addition to this, we are also looking to appoint 'bank' Lunch break Supervisors to cover staff absence, as most of our existing bank staff now do regular hours for us.

Any job offers will be subject to safeguarding and medical checks.

### South Gloucestershire Library Service – library cards

The Library service will be giving all children in Topaz and Jet a library card in the summer term. The new Amethyst Class (Y6) will also receive cards in autumn 2022. For more information see letter emailed to parents this week.

### Reporting absences

If you need to report your child's absence, please contact the school office (by email [AlexanderHoseaPrimary@sgmail.org.uk](mailto:AlexanderHoseaPrimary@sgmail.org.uk) or by phone 01454 294239), as the admin team manage the registers and check emails throughout the day.

Please note that we do not authorise holidays in term time, but there is a Request for Absence form to use should you need to let us know about any absence.

Please try to make medical and dentist appointments for outside of school hours wherever possible.

2022/23

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Thursday 1 September 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31 October 2022	Friday 16 December 2022
Term 3	Tuesday 3 January 2023	Friday 10 February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20 February 2023	Friday 31 March 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 April 2023	Friday 26 May 2023
Term 6	Monday 5 June 2023	Friday 21 July 2023

### Term dates 2022-23

Please find above the term dates for South Glos schools for the next academic year. We also have 5 INSET days per year. The first 2 of these will be Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> and Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> September. We will confirm the other INSET dates once confirmed.



### Children's Royal Afternoon Tea – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June

The Wickwar Entertainment Committee are organising events in the village to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee over the bank holiday weekend at the start of June. As part of this, there will be a 'Children's Royal Afternoon Tea' on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

They have sold around 150 tickets and plans are well underway for this family event. As part of the event there will be a best fancy dress and best homemade crown competition.

### Summer Term Dates for diaries

w/c 6<sup>th</sup> June Phonics Screener Y1

Weds 8<sup>th</sup> June Sports day (weather permitting)

June Y4 Multiplication screener (up to 12x12)

Weds 15<sup>th</sup> June New Reception Parents' meeting 5:45-6:45pm

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June INSET – school closed to children

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July Annual school reports (Y6 may be 12<sup>th</sup> July, dependent on when SATS results come back to us)

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July (change of date) Friends of AHS summer disco

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Day off in lieu of Platinum Jubilee bank holiday

### Morfa Bay

Our wonderful Year 6 children have had a brilliant time on their residential at Morfa Bay. Thank you to Mrs Brooks, Mrs Gee and Miss Edgar for giving their time and energy on camp to make it special for the children.



We have two residentials a year: one for 2 nights for Year 5 (usually to Kilve) and one for 4 nights for Year 6 to Morfa Bay, near Tenby in Wales.

The children gain a lot from these experiences and love the activities.