

# Alexander Hosea Primary School

## 'Roots to grow, wings to fly'

Honeyborne Way, Wickwar, South Gloucestershire, GL12 8PF  
Tel: 01454 294239 or 01454 294638  
Email: AlexanderHoseaPrimary@sgmail.org.uk  
www.alexanderhoseaprimary.co.uk  
Headteacher: Mrs D Williams



### Newsletter 11, 23rd April 2021

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

From Mrs Williams.

What a wonderful first week back to school! The children have thrown themselves back into their learning and have enjoyed their Wow days to launch their projects. We had some excited Peter Rabbits in Y2 earlier in the week!

We would like to extend a very warm Wickwar welcome to our new Reception families, who have been allocated places for September. We will have a full class of 30 again this year and look forward to getting to know the new children. I am sure that they will be getting excited about moving to big school. A welcome letter and pack will be sent out today (via siblings, where appropriate).

Have a lovely sunny weekend!



This year, due to the current situation, our annual sports day will be slightly different. This year it will take place during Term 6 on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021 with our reserve date being Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021. All children will need to come into school on these dates in their PE kits.

Sadly, this year we will be unable to invite families into school, as we usually would. Instead, the children will be supported by their Key Stage bubbles who we are sure will provide plenty of cheering as the races take place.

Each class teacher will be uploading photos onto Google Classroom/evidence on the day so that you are able to see how our day went.

Even though we know that this sports day will look different from usual, we will ensure that it is a fun, exciting and sporting day for all of the children at Alexander Hosea, and one that they will remember.

Mrs Rehman - PE Lead



Thank you for supporting our One Step At A Time Walking Challenge!

Astonishingly almost 4000 miles have been walked over the past 16 days. Well done to everyone who took and submitted their miles.

We are very pleased to announce that every team reached their target destination. Some teams even managed to double, triple or even quadruple their distance!

Team Name	Target Distance	Distanced Walked	% Completed
Topaz	34 miles	106.5 miles	313%
Emerald	68 miles	275.5 miles	405%
Jet	50 miles	199.5 miles	399%
Ruby	50 miles	190.5 miles	381%
Crystal	72 miles	320 miles	444%
Diamond	114 miles	461 miles	404%
Pearl	160 miles	358.5 miles	224%
Amethyst	154 miles	454 miles	295%
Admin Team	322 miles	382 miles	119%
Lunchtime Ladies	600 miles	1041 miles	174%
Friends of AHS	90 miles	205 miles	228%

### Our Value of the Term is: **Respect**

This term we talk about the importance of being respectful of each other and tolerant of differing world views (linking to British Values). We are fortunate to have kind and considerate children, who enjoy taking responsibility and making a positive impact on others through their thoughts, words and actions. We shine a light on this through this value.

## National survey of children, The Big Ask

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Parents and those working with children are also invited [to complete the adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.

## Roadmap out of lockdown –

### What can we look forward to next?

The government have set out their roadmap out of lockdown so that we can have dates in mind for a gradual return to normal. Some of these dates were provisional and depend on infection rates, but there is every reason to be hopeful with the vaccine roll out and falling infection rates.

Here is a summary of the easing of restrictions, which might be helpful. The main document link is below, if you would like to read more.

There is a lot to look forward to in the coming months, as we start to be able to see friends and family again (hopefully with no limits by mid-June).

### Step 2 12<sup>th</sup> April onwards

- Shops, hairdressers, libraries, gyms etc open.
- Outdoor attractions (eg zoos) reopen.
- Self-contained accommodation (eg holiday lets with own facilities) open.
- Hospitality (pubs, restaurants) able to reopen for outdoor table service for 6 people or 2 households.
- No indoor mixing between households.
- Life events (weddings, receptions, wakes) – up to 15 people.

### Step 3 17<sup>th</sup> May

- Will be able to see more friends and family (i) up to 30 people outside; (ii) rule of 6 or 2 households inside.
- Indoor entertainment opens – hotels, indoor exercise classes, cinemas, children's play areas.
- Life events (weddings, wakes, christenings) up to 30 people.
- Review of social distancing, face coverings etc to inform step 4.

### Step 4 21<sup>st</sup> June (at earliest)

- Removal of all legal limits on social contact.
- Remaining premises reopen.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021-summary>

## LFD collection update to parents and carers

Please note there has been a **change in the opening time** for LFD collection at 3 local test sites, to allow for deep cleaning over the lunch period. The obvious concern is that you may turn up to collect household LFD tests when the site is still running its service for symptomatic testing.

**To confirm: local test sites at Cleve RFC, Yate Shopping Centre and BAWA** will run PCR testing for people with symptoms from 8am – 1.30pm and **household LFD distribution from 2.30pm – 8pm (not 1pm as previously).**

## Class Photos

Class photos will be taken on Monday, so please could all children come in wearing full school uniform including black school shoes (not PE kits). Children should wear school jumpers/cardigans, even if they take it off later if weather is warm.

Year 6 children have been invited to bring a funny piece of headwear for their funny version of their leavers' photo.

## Bikeability

Our wonderful Y6 children are taking part in bikeability training at the moment. They have started to course and look forward to being able to go out on the roads for the next part of their training. Please be aware that there will be young cyclists around the village during the daytime on Tuesdays.



## Friends of AHS

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

THANK YOU again for your continued support with our recent fundraising events:

**One Step at a Time Walking Challenge:** Thank you to everyone who got sponsored – sponsorship can still be donated through online banking (see your sponsorship form) or via our PTA-events page.

**Easter Egg Shop:** You helped us raise an amazing £285 by buying our Easter gift baskets!

Don't forget, we have the following event coming up:

**Spring Rags2Riches collection:** On **Monday 26 April** please bring bagged quality clothes, paired shoes and accessories to our collection point by 9am and help us raise funds by decluttering!

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

**ALEXANDER HOSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# Raise funds by collecting reusable clothes

**RAGS 2 RICHES** Schools Clubs Groups

**WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING**

- ✓ Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing
- ✓ Jewellery and Accessories
- ✓ Paired Shoes and Footwear
- ✓ Belts and Handbags

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website [www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk](http://www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk)

**WE DO NOT ACCEPT**

POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES, PILLOWS, DUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS CDs OR ANY UNIFORM

If you are unsure what to put in the bags **STOP AND THINK** WOULD YOU WEAR IT?

Please use ANY bag for your donations

Collection Date:  
**Before 9am Monday 26th April**

Please remember - NO UNIFORM

Facebook icon, Twitter icon, QR code

### Online safety for Parents

Here is a YouTube video created by local Cyber Protect officers. They can do an interactive webinar, if parents would find it helpful to enable parents to learn more about online safety. If you think this might be of interest, please let your Parent Council representative know.

<https://youtu.be/REAUTp71ATU>

### Parents evening

We are looking forward to connecting with parents for parents' evening discussions in the coming weeks.

For information about how to access the appointment, we sent around an email to parents on 31<sup>st</sup> March and details are on website <https://www.alexanderhoseaprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Parents&pid=8>

You will receive the link about 1 hour before the meeting by text and email. It comes up as 'PE video call'.

**School menu** – We had been told that the current menu would continue into this term, but have now received an updated menu for the summer term. This has been emailed and will be uploaded to the website. Here is next week's menu (one change for next week only will be bolognaise pasta instead of chicken pasta on Weds). The cost is £2.30 per day. £66.70 whole term (less for Y5/6 due residential).

Week 2		Week commencing: 26 Apr 17 May 14 Jun 05 Jul			
Main courses	Homemade macaroni cheese made with organic pasta and milk served with a garlic slice	All day brunch with organic pork sausage and Red Tractor bacon Veggie all day brunch with 2 veggie sausages	Gloucestershire organic chicken pasta bake Organic pasta topped with a fresh homemade tomato sauce	Organic Pork sausage Hot Dogs Vegetarian Sausage Hot Dog	Oven cooked MSC fish fingers Oven baked veggie burger
Sides	Baguette wedge Sweetcorn	Hash brown Baked beans	Sweetcorn Peas	Cucumber Sticks Carrot Sticks	French fries Baked beans
Desserts	Cherry shortbread	Crunchy Cake	Piece of fresh fruit	Raspberry jelly	Arctic roll