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

Welcome back and happy new year! I hope that everyone had a peaceful and healthy Christmas. As we start 2022, we welcome some new staff to our team: Miss Alice Dent (Diamond Class Teacher); Miss Chloe Williams (Ruby Class Teacher); Mr Ben Hitchings & Mrs Ayşe Ozer (Y3 Class Teaching Assistants).

We also have a new Deputy Headteacher – Mrs Sally Windmill and a new Senior Leadership Team: Mrs Deb Williams (Headteacher); Mrs Sally Windmill (Deputy Headteacher and Infant Leader); Miss Kim Edgar (SENCO) and Mrs Heidi Brooks (KS2 Leader). Mrs Windmill continues to be in charge of our curriculum and Mrs Brooks is taking over Mrs Moncrieff's strategic lead for teaching and learning.

Primary schools admissions

If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018, you must apply for them to start primary school in September 2022. 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 2022**.



Supersonic Citizenship Award

Each term the teachers choose a 'supersonic' citizen from each class. The children can earn this by consistently demonstrating excellent attitude to learning and behaviour. From these nominations, staff choose a child from the infants and child from the juniors to win the Citizenship Cup (silver trophy), which they can take home and keep for a term. The awards are highly regarded and children strive to achieve them.



Sporting Award

In October, we added a new award to our portfolio: the sports award. The award is for exceptional contribution to sports and PE in school.

Haydon Music Award

The Haydon Music Award is also awarded 6 times a year. Teachers nominate children who they think show passion and commitment to music. The glass trophy is awarded to one child a term.



Creativity Award

The creativity award is a metal statue of a painter at work on a canvas. This termly award is given to one child a term for demonstrating exceptional creativity in their learning across the curriculum (eg art, writing, creative thinking/problem-solving).





Friends of AHS

HAPPY NEW YEAR and THANK YOU again for your support with our pre-Christmas events. We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year and are ready for the new term.

100 Club: Now is the perfect time to join our **100 Club** – we hold draws every three months, with three winners selected at each draw. The more players we have, the bigger the cash prizes! The next draw will be on 1 March. It's easy to sign up – to find out more visit our <u>webpage</u>.

Meet the Friends: Our next committee meeting will be on Wednesday 9 February, so please do come along to meet us and find out what we are planning for 2022!

Spring Rags2Riches collection: This has been booked for **Monday 14 March** so please start saving up your unwanted and outgrown clothes for us to recycle!

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

School Business Manager vacancy

Mrs Allison Hall (our current SBM) will sadly be leaving us to have a new challenge, so we are advertising for a new SBM from February. If you know of anyone who might be interested, the advert will be on e-teach from today. Mrs Hall would also be happy to provide more information about the role Allison.Hall@sgmail.org.uk.

Student Council

We continued with our 2020-21 Student Council for the autumn term, so that they could finish their project on the playground markings. The Y1 reps will remain in post, but there will be an opportunity for the children in Y2-6 to put themselves forward as Student Council reps for the rest of this school year.

Thank you very much to our outgoing Student Council for their hard work. Mrs Cleverley will be taking over Student Council from this term.

Parking reminder

Please do not park in the drop off zone at the front of the school. This is for quickly pulling in and allowing your child to alight. Cars should then leave straight away to keep the traffic flowing.

School Meal change Thurs 20th January

There is a change of menu for 20th January.

Chicken burgers

Veg burgers

Herby diced potatoes and garden peas

Ice cream

New playground markings

Thanks to our wonderful Student Council, Mrs Barnes (General Assistant) and Mrs Rehman (PE Leader), we have some fantastic new playground markings for the children to enjoy.



