



Newsletter 4, 20th October 2023

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

Dear Parents/Carers

Visits and Visitors –

In the past fortnight, we have taken part in Y6 Road Safety: Your Journey workshop; Y2/3 Tag Rugby tournament; Y5 Climate Change workshop; Y5 secondary school taster days at KLB and Black History month workshops – whole school. These experiences enrich our curriculum offer and deepen the children's knowledge and understanding. The children have engaged so well with the rich curriculum offer and represented the school very well.

Parents evening – It was great to see a very strong turn-out for our recent parents' evening.

Parking reminder – please do not use the staff car park unless you have a blue disability badge. Also do not park on the keep clear areas (including zigzags) as this creates a health & safety hazard for children and families.

Have a wonderful half term! We have an INSET day on Monday 30th October, so school starts back for the children on **Tuesday 31st October**.

Kind regards, Mrs Deb Williams - Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

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

Autumn half term 23rd -27th October

Term 2 Week 1 -

- 30th Oct – INSET day – school closed to children
- 31st Oct – Deadline for Y6 secondary school applications
- 31st Oct Y6 parents evening (postponed from last term)
- 1st Nov Dogs Trust assembly and workshops
- 2nd Nov Y6 parents' evening
- 3rd Nov Jet class to St Augustine's Farm

Week 2

- 6th Nov Christmas Jumper swap after school – Friends & Eco committee
- 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 1min 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 Techniquist
- 16th Nov Reception to Westonbirt
- 17th Nov Children in Need
- 17th Nov nasal flu vaccinations

Rugby Tournament at Thornbury Rugby Club

Last Friday a team of Y2 and Y3 children represented the school at a local rugby tournament. They gave their best efforts and were great ambassadors for the school.

'Just thought, I'd drop you a quick message to say that the team on Friday were fantastic, a real credit to you and the school, they performed brilliantly and their behaviour was exemplary'.
Swift Sports

Congratulations to the team: Eli, Elijah, Archie, Max, Wilf, Vulori and Ceejay. Thank you to Mrs McAleese and all the parents who went along to support.

DEADLINE APPROACHING Secondary school admissions

If your child is in year 6 and was born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 (inclusive), they must attend a secondary school in September 2024 unless you decide to educate your child at home. This is a very important decision and you are strongly advised to read the [South Gloucestershire Secondary school admissions guide](#) before making any decisions and completing your application. Applications for secondary school admission must be submitted by the **31 October 2023**.

<https://find-information-for-adults-children-families.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=12VIUICdFLs&familychannel=2-2&channel=family>

New! Diary Dates for Parents will be emailed on a Friday for the coming week (in the weeks



Friends of AHS

Thank you to everyone for supporting and helping at our fundraisers! Keep up to date via our [Facebook page](#) or by emailing FriendsOfAHS@hotmail.com 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 quizmaster!

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 [Facebook page](#) and [webpage](#) for the latest news!



Exemplary behaviour
Show the 3 Bees all the time:
Be kind, be respectful, be responsible

Congratulations to our Citizenship Award Winners

Infants: Isaac G (YR), **Ada (Y1)** and Elowen (Y2)

Juniors: **Elliot (Y6)**, Tahlia (Y5), Alfie N (Y5), Max H (Y4) and Ffion (Y3)

Sports Award



Ceejay (Y2)

Music Award

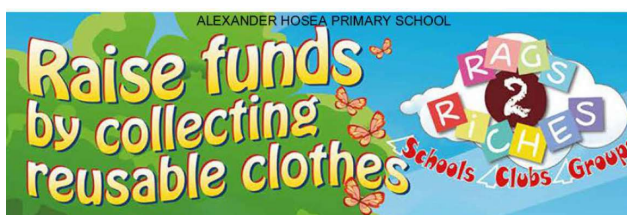


Eirwen (Y4)

Creativity Award



Rose T (Y2).



2023/24 DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

MONDAY 2nd October
THURSDAY 8th February
THURSDAY 13th June



The Friends of Alexander Hosea present

100 CLUB

JOIN TODAY FOR THE CHANCE TO WIN A CASH PRIZE EVERY 3 MONTHS!

Three winners are selected at each draw
The more people play, the bigger the prizes!
Find out how at our page on the school website

You could be a
WINNER!

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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 [South Gloucestershire Primary school admission guide](#) 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>

WIRE Award



We were delighted to be awarded the WIRE (Widening Inclusivity in Religious Studies) Award recently. Thank you to Miss Ali and Mrs Grainger.

Secondary School Taster Session

In October, Pearl and Opal classes got to experience a day in the life of a secondary school student. On arrival, the children experienced breakfast in the canteen. They then went onto their first lesson, Science! This was very exciting as it involved strawberry laces! The children were asked to investigate how many strawberry laces it would take to carry the most weight. The children got to use lots of equipment such as stands, clamps and weights!

We then moved onto art, which was great as it linked with their Year 4 learning. All the children created graffiti bookmarks! After that we had a French lesson, the children got to have a conversation in French and even learn a French song! As part of their break time, we got to have a tour of KLB from some ex Alexander Hosea students, they showed us around and their favourite places to spend their lunch times. We also got to find out more about some lunch time clubs. Our last lesson of the day was PE. The children played short tennis and quick cricket.

The children all seemed to enjoy themselves and were great ambassadors of Alexander Hosea.

Miss Chloe Williams, Mrs Hillier and Miss Clark – Y5 teachers

The Friends of Alexander Hosea present...

CHOCOLATE NON-UNIFORM DAY

Leave your uniform at home and wear your favourite outfit instead!

Just bring along a yummy donation for our Chocolate Tombola to take part!

Friday
24th NOV

Milk, dark or white choc?
It's up to you - but nothing with
nuts or alcohol in it please!

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Christmas Fair FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER

- ★ MEET FATHER CHRISTMAS!
- ★ PLAY GAMES!
- ★ REFRESHMENTS!

Have a great time while helping to raise funds for the children of Alexander Hosea Primary School

FROM 4-6PM AT ALEXANDER HOSEA SCHOOL

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CHRISTMAS JUMPER DONATIONS

COLLECTING FROM MONDAY 2 OCTOBER!

THE FRIENDS OF ALEXANDER HOSEA SCHOOL WILL BE COLLECTING ADULT AND CHILD PRELOVED CHRISTMAS JUMPERS TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL.

THERE WILL BE A BOX IN RECEPTION FOR DONATIONS FROM TUESDAY 2ND OCTOBER. THEN, CHOOSE YOUR NEW CHRISTMAS JUMPER (PRELOVED) AT OUR SCHOOL EVENT (Details to follow soon)

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

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Cake Sales

2023-2024

Last year you helped us raise over £1,000 for the school, just by selling cake! We are asking each class to hold one cake sale (or donate cakes to a Friends event) again this year:

Term 1: Amethyst - cake sale Friday 29 September

Term 2: Pearl - donate cakes for the Christmas Fair (1 Dec)

Term 2: Opal - donate cakes for the Carol Coffee Morning refreshment stall (15 Dec)

Term 3: Valentines donut sale by the Friends (8 Feb)

Term 4: Diamond - cake sale on or around 27 March

Term 4: Crystal - cake sale on or around 2 May

Term 5 or 6: Jet - donations will be used for the Sports Day refreshment stall (22 May but TBC)

Term 6: Ruby and Topaz - donations will be used for the Summer Fair cake stall (date TBC)

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