

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>

From the Headteacher...

As this is the last newsletter for Term 5, may we wish you all a happy (and hopefully sunny) Whitsun half-term. We return to school on Monday 3rd June, when the Y6 children will be going to Morfa Bay.

Celebrations and latest news

- We were very proud of our Y6 children this week. They tried their very best in the SATs this week and showed what great team players they are in supporting their class mates to do the same.
- Parent Council meeting on 14th May 2:45pm.
- 'Football Together' programme has started for a group of Y5 children, who are engaging in sporting opportunities with a contrasting school in an urban setting. Thank you to Mrs Mac for organising and accompanying the team.
- Reverend Ray led an assembly last week. The box to post your recycled stamps in next the signing in book in the school entrance.
- We have signed up for the Terracycle crisp packet recycling scheme. The empty crisp packet box is in the school entrance. For more information <https://www.terracycle.com/>. For each 2kg of packets collected, the school will receive £2.
- A group of children took part in a 'Go Sketch' sketchbook workshop last week. They really enjoyed the chance to develop their ideas around the theme of 'summer'.
- Bellway have finished the judging of their art competition. Well done to everyone who took part, the standard was high. The winners they have chosen are: Highly commended Ava (Crystal) 3rd Alena (Crystal), 2nd Reuben (Emerald) and 1st Rory (Crystal). Congratulations to you all.
- We have our first TTRS Rock Hero, Will (Pearl). There are now 18 Rock Legends and 32 Rock Stars across KS2. Many children in Y1 and 2 are also earning amazing amounts of points too. We are very impressed!

INSET dates: INSET 5 – **Monday 8th July 2019**. We have not yet confirmed all of our INSET dates for next year, but there will be an INSET on **Monday 2nd September 2019**.

What's coming up soon?

- Sports Day (weather permitting) is earlier this year, as Term 6 is always super busy. The event is booked on Tuesday 21st May. Infants in morning and juniors in afternoon, with a family picnic. Letter to follow with more information
- End of Term 5 – 24th May. **Return to school on 3rd June.**
- Y6 Morfa Bay 3rd- 7th June.
- New Reception parents' meeting 12th June 5-6pm.

Parking Reminder

Parent Council have asked for a reminder in the newsletter about parking. Please only use the drop off area to drop off children, who can walk in to school on their own (Y5/6). Cars should not be left unattended in this area, as it can cause hold ups for other families, who wish to drop off, and interrupt the flow of cars to and from the site.

Also no cars should be parked on the white lines as it can cause difficulties with visibility for pedestrians and other drivers. Thank you for parking considerately.

GO SKETCH Fine Art Course at Alexander Hosea Primary for 1 term only!

3:30-4:45 starting Tues 4th June for 5 weeks (No class 11th June)

Does your child love art? This term we will be looking at artists who love drawing cool animals that wear sunglasses, awesome hats and even look like rainbows! Mini exhibition on the last week.

Open to year 1-6 £38 for 5 weeks (20% sibling discount)

Contact Emma: emma@gosketch.co.uk / 07717313651

For more info or to book: gosketch.co.uk and click Book Now

**Chipping Sodbury Secondary School Yr 5
Open days**

From 13 May until 14 June, between 9.10am and 10.10am, parents/carers can book an appointment in advance to attend open morning. Please ring school on 01454 862900 leaving child's name and school.

Transition arrangements

In the coming month, we start to put the wheels in motion for the new academic year planning.

Part of this is to allocate teachers and TAs to classes and begin transition discussions for SEN children.

In July we set aside an annual INSET day for the sole purpose of passing on information between teachers and discussing achievement and pastoral needs of children. Also in July, the children spend 4 morning sessions with their new class and teacher, which helps to build new relationships.



Health and Safety reminders

- Dogs are not allowed on site (even if carried).
- Children should dismount scooters and bikes at the external gates, to avoid potential collisions with pedestrians.
- The play equipment on the field is out of bounds after school hours. Please do not allow your children to use!

Thank you for your co-operation.



Friends of AHS

21st May – Sports Day

1st June – 100 Club Draw

10th June – Clothes for a Cause

13th July – Wickwar Games: 1K and 5K Fun Runs

16th July – AHS Summer Discos (Infants 4:45-5:45, Juniors 6-7pm)

Quiz Night

Congratulations to our winning team: Wickwar Assemble! We hope you enjoy your gift vouchers for The Buthay! It was a fun evening and we hope everyone enjoyed themselves. Many thanks to The Buthay for sponsoring our event.

Sports Day Refreshments

The Friends will be selling refreshments before and after the races. Cake donations would be greatly appreciated (no nuts of any kind please). Please bring cake donations to school Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning. Don't forget to bring your re-usable cup and to have a go at our "Pot of Gold" game – £1 a go and you could win half the pot!

Clothes for a Cause

We earn 40p for every kilogramme we collect so please donate as much as possible. We need clean unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hand bags, belts and cuddly toys (in any plastic bag) brought to school by 9am on 10th June. No clothing with school logos or bedding/blankets, thank you.

Wickwar Games: 1K and 5K Fun Runs

The Friends are organising the Fun Runs again for this year's Wickwar Games. More details and entry forms can be found on the school website (Parents > Friends of AHS > Wickwar Games). *Save 10% by registering online by 6th July!* **HELPERS NEEDED!** If you can help on the day, whether as a marshal or helping with the bar or bouncy castle, please let us know. We cannot run this event without your help!

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Sports Day



This year our sports day will be held on Tuesday 21st May 2019, the reserve date will be Thursday 23rd May 2019.

A more detailed letter with the timings for the event will be released nearer the date, but in brief it will be as follows:

- Reception and Key Stage 1 will start at 10am. Gates to open for parents to arrive from 9:30am.
- Picnic Lunch for whole school from 11:45am (KS1) 12pm (KS2).
- Key Stage 2 to start at 1:15pm.

The school kitchen will be offering a school dinner which will be a hot dog or veggie sausage with chips and salad bar followed by a choc ice. The children will be able to bring these out to you on the field.

This will be free for reception and KS1 and a cost of £2.20 for KS2.

We are as ever looking forward to a lovely community event and we hope that you will be able to come along and support your child(ren).

Mrs Rehman - PE Leader

Timings

8:50 school gates open as usual and close at 9am (any FoAHS helpers to sign in at school office and enter through main entrance)

9:30 side gate to field opens. Refreshment available

10am side gate closed whilst infant sports day is in progress

10-11:15am (approx.) **Infant sports day** takes place (pre-school race at the start)

11:30 - 12 side gates open for access to the family picnic

11:15-12 FoAHS provide refreshments on playground

11:45-1pm (R-Y2); 12-1pm (Y3-6) Picnic.

12:30-1pm FoAHS provide refreshments

1:10pm side gate closed in preparation for the start of junior sports day

1:15-2:30 (approx.) **Junior sports day**

2:30 side gates open for the relay

2:30-3:15pm FoAHS refreshments

3pm whole school relay

3:30 end of school day

3:30-4pm FoAHS selling ice creams in the playground

Terracycle Crisp Packet Recycling Scheme

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Every year countless pieces of crisp packets end up in landfill sites across the UK. We are working with TerraCycle® to put an end to this enormous loss of resources.

The **Crisp Packet Recycling Scheme** allows us to recycle your crisp packets and prevent them from ending up in landfill.

Not only are you helping the environment, but the waste you recycle with us also helps to fund schools or organisations.



ACCEPTED WASTE



Any brand of crisp packets

Waste that is NOT accepted:

- Popcorn bags
- Crisp tubes
- Pretzel bags
- Meat snack bags

Waste that is accepted:

- Any brand of crisp packets

Administering Medicines reminder

We will only give medicines which have been prescribed by a doctor (eg anti-biotics that need to be given 4 times a day, or medicine linked to a Health Care Plan). A form needs to be completed and given to the office prior to any administration of medicine. Medicine must be in the original packaging with pharmacy label stating the child's name.

'Bank' lunchtime staff required

We are currently looking to expand the number of people we have on our books as 'bank' lunchtime staff (i.e. lunchtime supervisors who are available to come in and cover on an ad hoc basis when our permanent lunchtime supervisors are absent for any reason).

If you would be interested in applying to be a member of 'bank' lunchtime staff, please contact the School Business Manager Allie Hall on (01454) 294239 or allison.hall@sgmail.org.uk