



Alexander Hosea Primary School

'Roots to grow, wings to fly'



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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you so much to all the parents and members of our community, who have helped the school following the recent flooding incident. We are grateful to everyone who was able to come on site to help move furniture and resources during the school holidays and for all the emails and comments of thanks and support.

I am incredibly thankful to our amazing staff team, who pulled together to sweep water (for 5 hours!); try to save school resources; manage contractors etc during their annual leave, so that we would be able to be open to children on Monday. As a result of everyone's efforts and their swift action, the loss of resources was minimised as much as possible and the extent of the water damage was contained to the community centre, school kitchen, hall, Headteacher's office and Admin corridor.

The contractors will be on site for many weeks and they have already removed some carpets and the school hall flooring to allow for further testing of damage and allow the floors to continue to dry. South Glos are overseeing the project and we are working with a range of contractors and other stakeholders to complete the works. Currently, we anticipate that the hall and school kitchen will be out of action for the rest of the school year. We will update parents with progress about works in the fortnightly school newsletters.

In terms of school meals, we are in the process of arranging delivery of a temporary kitchen unit so that our catering team can operate fully from there as soon as possible. Mrs Smith and Mrs Jater (Catering team) have been working hard to adapt to working temporarily from the children's kitchen in the meantime. They are keeping positive and being flexible, despite the significant disruption to them.

We have been able to work with Woosc to provide a space for them to use on site for the foreseeable future. This will mean that they will be able to continue their offer to support working families, albeit in a temporary home. I think our parents are starting to get used to the walkie talkie system!

Best regards, Mrs Deb Williams

Dates for your diary

Term 5 Week 2 27th April

Mon 27 April – Y6 Morfa Bay meeting

Tues 28-Thurs 30 – Book Fair in playground after school

Thurs 30 – Music lessons for R, Y1, Y2 and Y6

Fri 1st May – Y2 SATs tests begin

Week 3 4th May

Mon 4 May – Bank holiday – school closed

Thurs 7 May – Author visit for R, Y1 and Y2

Thurs 7 May - Music lessons for R, Y1, Y2 and Y6

Fri 8 May – Road safety workshops for Y5 and 6

Week 4 11th May

Mon 11 – Thurs 14 – Y6 SATs tests

Fri 15 May – Deadline for Little Gems nursery applications (round 1)

Sports Day and family picnic Weds 20th May am (weather dependent)

Trips and Visitors

Explorer Dome – at the end of term, the children had the opportunity to learn more about the environment in an immersive explorer dome. They enjoyed the memorable and fun-filled educational experience. Thank you so much to Wickwar Educational Foundation for funding this visit and Mrs Price for organising.

School trips – several classes went out on school trips at the end of term. The children and staff really value these educational experiences, which enrich the children's learning and helps them to apply their knowledge and remember more.

Y5 had an amazing time at Kilve Court and were thoroughly worn out by the time they returned! Mrs Brooks and the team were very proud of them all for being resilient, great team players and showing the 3 bees.

This term's Value



Special menus

20th May – sports' day lunch

17th July – Year 6 / Amethyst class parent leavers lunch

As the weather is starting to warm up, we would encourage parents to apply sunscreen before school and provide a sun hat. All children need a water bottle in school every day. This should contain water only. Thank you.

Little Gems Nursery

We are in the process of setting everything up for the new nursery to open from September 2026. This is an exciting opportunity for the school, and we know that places will be in demand due to the local shortage of places for pre-school provision.

We will be setting up an area on the school website with information about this, but in the meantime, we will send some information to our current families. This will include information about admissions, payment arrangements and an application form.

Families with siblings who will be in the school in September 2026 and families who live in Wickwar will have the highest priority for places in the first instance. Do let other local families know, if you think they might be interested in this service and feel free to pass on applications forms and information.

The first round of applications will open on Monday 27th April and close on **Friday 15th May 12:00**. These will need to be dropped in to the school in person, posted to the school or by email to AlexanderHoseaPrimary@sgmail.org.uk. These applications will be processed by the end of May.

We have a working party of governors and staff who are overseeing the project as there is much to do between now and 31st August to be ready to open on 1st September.

We are currently seeking an architect to draw up the official plans for builders. If you know of someone who may be interested in giving a quote of the works, please ask them to contact our DHT Daniel.Feaster@sgmail.org.uk. This work is time sensitive and would need to be completed as soon as possible, so that we can complete the tendering process for builders.

We are also looking for excellent builders to be able to run the project and complete the building works in the Early years classrooms and toilets and Blue Room. These works would need to be completed in the summer holidays and the Nursery and Reception classes ready for staff to access by the last week in August (so that they can set up for children to arrive).

If you have any questions about Little Gems, please contact Daniel.Feaster@sgmail.org.uk

Year 6 SATS w/c 11th May

In May, Y6 will take part in national tests called SATS.

Mon - Grammar, punctuation and spelling

Tues - Reading

Weds – Maths papers 1 & 2

Thurs - Maths paper 3

Music lessons

The remaining classes will be starting their block of music lessons from West of England Music Service in the coming days. We hope they enjoy them.

Reception – Beatbus (percussion and singing)

Y1 – Ocarina

Y2 – Recorders

Y6 - Junior saxophone



Friends of Alexander Hosea

Can you help with the return of the Friday Ice Lolly sale? We need volunteers to help run the ever-popular Friday sales. Please use the sign up form if you can support - volunteersignup.org/3Y9CR – we won't be able to run these sales without volunteer support

Class cake sales

Diamond & Crystal – Thursday 11th June - volunteersignup.org/CPFHB

Ruby, Jet and Topaz – Monday 20th July - volunteersignup.org/4HHF9

Please can classes bring in cake donations to raise money for their environments on the above dates, we will also need volunteer parents from those classes above to help run the cake sale on the day, please use the sign up form linked to your class 😊

Events we are hoping to organise – please contact a committee member if you can help

- Colour run
- Grow a £
- Ice cream sales
- Family disco
- Family quiz

Upcoming events

Sports day refreshments – May 20th, we will be looking for volunteers to help serve refreshments

Summer Fair – 3rd July 2026 – we will be opening stalls for parent ran business only, no external providers, please email the Friends on committee@friendsofahs.org if you wish to hire a table to run a stall.

KLB Carnival – 11th July 2026, Friends will be hosting a stall, please come and support us if you are attending, we will need some volunteers to help us run this throughout the day.

A reminder of who the Friends are:

Co-Chairs: Alice (year 1 & year 4 parent) & Shelley (year 2 & year 4 parent)

Treasurer: Gemma (year 2 parent)

Co-Secretary: Tara (year 2 & year 4 parent – School's SBM) & Becci (year 2 & year 4 parent)

Parent liaison for Friends

Topaz – Kelly (Theo's mum)

Ruby – Becky (Esme's mum)

Jet – Becci S (Alfred's mum)

Crystal – Annette (Mia's mum)

Diamond – Becci S (Hugo D's mum)

Pearl – Sarah (Rocco's mum) Ameer (Neeva's mum)

Amethyst – Gemma (Max's mum)