## Alexander Hosea Primary School 'Roots to grow, wings to fly'



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#### Newsletter 8, 20th January 2023

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

#### From Mrs Williams:

**Baby news** – Miss Clark's baby girl, Eleanor (Lennie), was born last Friday. Mother and baby are doing well. Congratulations from all of us. I am sure that she will bring her in at some point to meet her Y2 class.

**Teacher Strikes** – as you may have seen on the news, as part of a pay dispute, the NEU (one of the biggest unions for teachers) has decided to strike on 1<sup>st</sup> Feb, 2<sup>nd</sup> March (World Book Day) and 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March. When we know how this may affect provision on these dates, we will let parents know.

#### Dates for your diary:

3<sup>rd</sup> February – NSPCC Number Day – Miss Edgar will be organising some maths events linked to this.
7<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day <a href="https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023">https://saferinternet-day/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023</a>
10<sup>th</sup> February – Dress to Express for £1 for Place2Be <a href="https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/schools/">https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/schools/</a>
Children can come to school in clothing that reflects their interests or personality.

#### World Book Day 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

As usual, we will be getting involved in the World Book Day. This year's focus will be around fairy tales, so the children are invited to dress up as a fairy tale character on this day.

https://www.worldbookday.com/2022/09/world-book-day-2023-announcements/

## Introducing 2023's £1/£1.50 books for all ages

#### WBD Book Vouchers

We're delighted to share with you the new line-up of £1/€1.50 books for 2023 that children can choose for free with their £1/€1.50 book token! With books for beginning, early, fluent and independent readers, there is something for everyone to enjoy. Alongside the 12 titles available across the UK, we also have two exclusive books for Ireland and a new World Book Day Welsh title! The books will be available from booksellers from 16 February 2023. The token redemption period is from 16 February – 26 March 2023.

#### Lunchbreak Supervisor Vacancies – open advert

We are looking for new lunchbreak supervisors to join our successful team. There are roles for bank staff (who can work on a casual basis) as well as a contract for 3 lunchtimes.

If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in applying for this role, please contact Mrs Tara Price (new School Business Manager) at

<u>TaraLou.Price@sgmail.org.uk</u> or ring the school on 01454 294239 for more information.



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#### Wickwar Environmental Action Group (WEAG)

WEAG have invited our children if they would like to take part in creating the design for the Garden Awards posters again this year. See recent email.



The Friends is a group of parents and carers who organise activities and events throughout the year to raise funds to support the school. New committee members and helpers are always welcome, so if you would like to get involved please get in touch via FriendsOfAHS@hotmail.com.

**New Year, new committee!** The Friends AGM is NEXT WEEK: **Wednesday 25 January** at 7.30pm in the school library. Please do come along if you would like to join the committee as an officer (chair, treasurer or secretary) or class rep, or just find out more about what we do for the school! It will be followed by our regular committee meeting where we discuss our event plans for the coming term.

**Emerald class cake sale** Thank you to Emerald class for organising a cake sale for us this term – the sale will be after school on **Friday 3 February** so please make sure you bring some change!

Rags 2 Riches clothing collection: Our next clothing collection is on **Thursday 9 February**, so if you are tidying up this weekend, please bag up any clean, good quality clothes, shoes and accessories (sorry, no uniform) and bring them down to school before 9am on the day.

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





#### **Parent Council**

Please see website for the minutes of the meeting this week.

If your class does not have a rep, it would be helpful if a parent would be able to volunteer to gather thoughts and attend the meeting. You would not need to commit to every meeting, but it would be great if all classes could be represented.

#### Attendance reminder

It is important for pupils to attend school regularly and punctually in order to take part fully in the life of the school and to take advantage of the learning opportunities offered in order to ensure progress and raise standards of attainment. As attendance is crucial to effective learning and the continuity of learning experiences, Alexander Hosea Primary School places great emphasis upon this.

The expected attendance for our school is 96%. Please do not book holidays in term time as these will not be authorised and may lead to a fine.





## Should I keep my

# child off school?

## Yes

#### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scables	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

### No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek





#### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.

