



# The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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## PARENT BULLETIN 12

### 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you all keep warm this weekend, apparently it will be a cold one!

On Saturday we held our first book fair of the year. This was a big success and we made over £400. Thank you to the staff (especially Mrs Foulger and Miss Granville) for running this and raising vital funds for the school.

This week you should have received the proof of your child's school photo (if they had one taken). The deadline for ordering is Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. We are unable to help with any late orders.

All our teachers attended training on Wednesday with all local schools. This was hugely successful and a great opportunity to show off how amazing our children are.

The car park gate will be closed around club pick up times. We had a near miss in the carpark last week and need to ensure we are doing all we can to keep children safe. Sadly, one of our children was hit by a car on the way to school this week. They were on the zebra crossing and the driver did not see them nor stop. Please ensure you are driving and parking appropriately around the school and local area.

#### **Christmas Closure**

We close our doors for Christmas this year on 18<sup>th</sup> December for Pre School and from 12 noon on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December for Years R-6.

The timings are as follows:

Reception - 12.00noon

Year 1&2 - 12.10pm

Year 3-6 -12.20pm

The weeks are filling up with preparations for Christmas please refer to the following dates to plan your visits to the school. Individual letters have been sent to classes/year groups as needed.

We know planning can be tricky so hopefully these will help. We will continue to update you all as we can.

# Christmas Dates

4th December – Choir- singing in the community (during the school day, no parents)

6th December – Choir- singing in the community (during the school day, no parents)

7th December- Choir- singing in the community (during the school day, no parents)

7th December- Christingle 9am (Year 3 parents)

7th December- Christingle 10am (Year 4 parents)

7th December- Christmas Jumper Day (£1 donation)

9th December- Choir - Singing at Fairford Leys 'Christmas in the Square' from 3.45pm

11th December – Year 1 / 2 dress rehearsal to the Primary School

11th December - Reception dress rehearsal to the Primary School

12th December- Year 1 / 2 Nativity 9:30am (Parents/family)

12th December - Reception Production 2pm (Parents/family)

13th December – Reception Production 9:30 (Parents/family)

13th December - Year 1 / 2 Nativity 2pm (Parents/family)

13th December- Carol Concert - Year 5/6 in the Secondary hall 6pm (Parents/family)

14th December – Year 1 / 2 Nativity 9:30am (Parents/family)

14th December- Christmas lunch day (must be pre booked)

15th December - Preschool sing-along AM 10.30 -11.00

PM 2.00-2.30pm

18th December - Preschool Christmas Party – attends normal session and wear party clothes

19th December - Preschool Parent Consultations



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## Applications for primary school places

The portal for Reception applications for Sept 2024 is now open. All our Reception places are managed by Buckinghamshire Council and you will need to apply directly to them via their portal please find the link below. Please note that our Preschool children **do not** automatically get a place in Reception, we are not a feeder Preschool.

**Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools-index/school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school-place/submit-your-school-preferences/>

Primary School  
applications



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If you have any initial concerns regarding your child, please complete the following form:

<https://forms.office.com/r/CD1CHTscFR>

## Reflection

**WORLD  
CHILDREN'S  
DAY** 20 November

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November was the United Nations 'World Children's Day' and in the Primary Phase we enjoyed a thought provoking assembly from Miss Gonzalez, thank you.

As we end the week, we invite our community to reflect on the voices from children of the world. From climate change, education and mental health, to ending inequality, racism and discrimination, children and young people's voice on the issues that matter to them and their generation are vital. In 2023 it's more important than ever that the world listens to their ideas.

*Loving God,  
Thank you for creating all the children of the world.  
Help us know that you love and cherish every child.  
We pray that all children will find fulfilment and joy in life  
That you will guard each child's heart against burdens too heavy for them to carry.  
We pray you will help bring people into every child's life that will know, love and protect them.  
May all your children develop to their full potential so they thrive today and into the future.  
Amen*

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes.

**Mrs C Baughan**



For all of our latest news, to keep up to speed with events, for sharing 'wow' moments, and to stay 'in the loop,' follow us on social media. We have 3 platforms- Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



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Instagram: <https://instagram.com/avaprimary?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>

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