



# The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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## PARENT BULLETIN 8

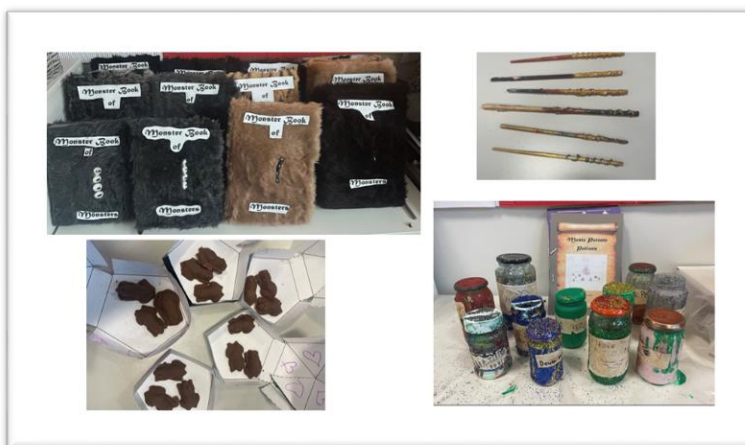
### 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome so many of you into school this week for our parent consultations. I know all of the teachers have welcomed the opportunity to share with you how well your children have settled into their new year groups. We look forward to inviting you in for our Open Classrooms on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October, the first Tuesday back after half term, to celebrate all the hard work from our wonderful children.

Our Year 6 children have thoroughly enjoyed their Harry Potter themed week in school. I know the children will join me in saying a big thank you to Mrs Nicholls and Mrs Heal for planning and organising all of the activities this week.

They have made wands, potions, chocolate frogs and a Monster book of Monsters!



As I write we await the return of the children who have been on residential. Mrs Stewart has reported that and I quote, " we have had lots and lots of comments from all of the instructors as to how resilient and well behaved the children have been.

All children have been complimented on how tidy their rooms are, parents should be very proud!" Well done Year 6, you continue to make us very proud.

Thank you very much to Mr Jackson, Ms Foulger, Mrs Souter, Miss Parker and Miss Sinclair who have been on residential - you can have a week off!

#### Harvest Collection

Today the Roman Park Community Trust came to collect the very generous donations from school.

Thank you so much for your generosity, I know that this will really help to support many local families.



### Light up the streets

If you're out and about trick or treating on Tues 31st October stop by the AVA Primary School and visit the Church on Berryfields gazebo between 4:30 and 6:30pm to:

- warm up with a hot chocolate
- collect a goody bag
- and make a lantern

as we LIGHT UP THE STREETS of Berryfields

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**Tuesday 31st October**

**Outside AVA Primary School 4:30-6:30pm**

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### Key Stage 2 Author Visit

We had the absolute pleasure to welcome the terrific Matt Brown into school on Thursday! Years 3, 4 and 5 were treated to the first few pages of Matt's new book, *Kevin the Vampire*, as well as lots of information about Matt's life as an author.

The children asked some fantastic questions and were extremely engaged throughout the whole session. Their focus and manners were exceptional, and we were all very proud of them!

Thank you to Matt, and *Our Bookshop* (based in Tring), for running the event, and thank you to all parents who supported us by purchasing a book. We hope the children thoroughly enjoy reading it!



### Dates to remember

31<sup>st</sup> October – Open Classrooms 3.30-4.30pm

9<sup>th</sup> November – Phonics Workshop 5-6pm

10<sup>th</sup> November – School Photos

18th November 2023 – Scholastic Book Fair 9-12

23rd March 2024 – Scholastic Book Fair 9-12

22nd June 2024 – Scholastic Book Fair 9-12

### Reflection

#### Autumn reminds us to let go...

As we approach half term many of us will be looking forward to an Autumn walk. After the celebration of colours, the trees will soon be letting go of their leaves because they are no longer needed. Autumn reminds us that, like the trees, we all need to let go at times to thrive and grow. We might need to let go of critical or harmful beliefs about ourselves. We may realise that we have outgrown certain habits or priorities we once felt we needed. Even though letting go can be daunting or even scary, it is also a necessary component of life

As we end the week, we invite our community to join us in a prayer for Autumn...

God of autumn, the trees are saying goodbye to their green, letting go of summer.

Help us to let go when we need to.

God of fallen leaves lying on the ground, our lives have their own patterns.

As we see the patterns of our own growth, may we learn from them.

Amen

Wishing you all a very restful half term. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

**Mrs O'Neill**

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