

PARENT BULLETIN 40 11 July 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

The end of term is always so busy with performances and fun things to do. We are nearing the time when we have to say goodbye to our lovely Year 6's who have been especially busy this week with their end of term performances to their parents and our other year groups as well. I couldn't be prouder of them all, they were incredible and to do in this heat with all the rehearsals, it has been amazing to watch them just flourish.

Year 6 had their transition session from Reverend Lane to try to prepare them a little more for their move to secondary school. Next week will be an emotional one not just for the children but also for the staff who are proud and sad at the same time. Bring your tissues for the Leavers assembly next Wednesday and your cameras to capture the Prom!

We had a fire drill this week, practice only, the children as always did us proud and were quick and quiet at exiting the building to the playground. Well done children a great job as always.

Year 1 had a brilliant time during the WOW day. The children enjoyed exploring multiple fairy tales, creating lollypop stick characters, acting out stories and having a scavenger hunt. We are pleased how enthusiastic the children were towards the activities, and we would like to thank the Year 6's for all of their help.

We have had dress rehearsals and performances for our school production of We Will Rock You. Miss Russell has been extremely busy making sure everything runs smoothly. We had a great performance last night, with the final one tonight. The children have been nothing short of amazing, and it is always so lovely to see how they work alongside the secondary school children, a true collaboration. Thank you to Miss Russell and Mr Hallam for another great performance.

Our Reception children had their vision screening this week with the school nursing team. Please keep an eye out for the email with the link to see their results.

School reports are being finalised and printed and will be in children's book bags either next Thursday or Friday. If you require a second copy, please contact the school office or email avaprimary@theacademy.me

We had a lovely music assembly from Mr Manders to the children. If you would like your child to have music lessons in school we have guitar, drums and piano teachers who come in. There will shortly be an email going out about these lessons so keep an eye out.

100% Attendance Breakfast

Today, it was a privilege to share a very special breakfast with 35 children from Reception to Year 6 who have had 100% attendance for the whole year! They have come in with sniffles and coughs, and braved the heat, the cold and the wind!





Because of this, they have been able to maximise their learning this year by not missing any sessions. This is a fantastic achievement, and we are very proud of them! We will provide a roundup of our attendance for this year in next week's newsletter.

End of Term

The end of term is fast approaching so we thought we would share the end of term timings with you all. If you bring in a lunch for your child, please see below the amended lunch times.

Lunch times:

Reception - 11.00am
Year 1 & 2 - 11.20am
Year 3 & 4 -11.40am (packed lunches in classroom due to numbers)
Year 5 & 6 -11.55am

Exit times:

Reception - 12.00pm Year 1 & 2 & 5 - 12.10pm Year 3 & 4 - 12:20pm Year 6 -12.25pm (Guard of Honour)

Academic Year 2025-26

A reminder to all parents that from September **all** children will be collected from the gates in the playground. No children will be dismissed from out the front of the school. Timings will remain the same for the year groups:

Reception – 2.45pm 1&2 – 3.00 3&4 – 3.05 5&6 – 3.10

Wrap around care

As of September, we will no longer be able to add children onto our wrap around provision on the day, the cut off remains 11pm the night before. We have taken in feedback from our parents who use the provision and feel that this is the fairest and most transparent approach for all. The office staff will sadly refuse to add children on, please respect this decision and make alternative arrangements.

Dates to remember (these are subject to change)

14 July – Year 5 Hazard Alley 15 July – Year 5 ART Day 16 July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly (9am for Parents) 16 July – Year 6 Prom (6.00-8.00pm) 18 July – Break up for Summer ½ day

AVA PTA

We would really love to share with you our easyfundraising platform. This allows you as shoppers to support us while doing your regular online shopping, without any extra cost to you!!

When you shop via the easyfundraising website, a portion of your purchase is donated to the AVA PTA by the retailer. Please sign up using the following link to help raise money for your school (*) it's so easy!

https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/aylesbury-vale-academy-pta/j3tk26/at/EDA0jpqh/DM1329426/facebook/



Reflection

As I write this, the temperature is once again rising for what looks like the third registered heatwave in the UK this summer. Heat health alerts have been issued and it is possible there could be seven days of temperatures that exceed heatwave criteria.

Through events such as Earth Day, World Water Day and World Environment Day we are made aware of the fragility of our planet. But why should we care about the state of the natural world and pray for its maintenance and sustainability?

As a Church of England school and community we are called in both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible to care for our world.

In Genesis 1:28 and 2:15, God asks us to look after creation. We're called to take care of all its aspects – both the living and non-living. By caring for our earth and being good stewards, we're enabling the world to be fruitful and are being faithful to God's wishes.

In Matthew 22:39, Jesus commands us to love our neighbour. But what does this mean? To love our neighbour, we need to respond to their needs. We're called to care and provide for others as we would ourselves. The effects of environmental damage can be devastating. Heatwaves, drought-induced food shortages and conflict over natural resources are just some of the ways it affects lives. We are called to respond to this.

As we end the week we invite our community to join us in a Prayer for the Environment...

Loving God,

The Bible reminds us how much you value and love us all.

We pray for solutions to environmental damage and the devastating impact it is having both today and on future generations.

We thank you for young people and their passion and conviction to care for and protect your world for the common good.

We pray that their actions and words will be taken seriously.

We ask that as adults, we'll strive to protect the world that all children will grow up in. Amen.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs C Baughan

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

SEND Support Phone Line - 01296 382135

We are open every day between 10am and 4pm and until 6pm on Tuesdays. The line is for parents, professionals and anyone with enquiries about SEND in Buckinghamshire.

Please note that the support line is open between 10am and 2pm during school holidays and is closed on Bank Holidays.

Primary SEND concerns

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=vujYj3JiOk-

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Free School Meals

Please find the link below: https://www.theacademy.me/page/?title=SCHOOL+MEALS&pid=166

We also have a dedicated FSM inbox - <u>freeschoolmeals@theacademy.me</u> - where parents can submit FSM forms if you prefer to complete the paper version instead of the online form.



Sunday 3rd August - Aylesbury Rugby Club, Weston Turville, HP22 5RN



