



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

RESPECT | ASPIRATION | RESILIENCE

PARENT BULLETIN 38

27 June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to start this week by thanking our amazing staff, especially Miss Granville and Mr O'Leary for their military precision and planning for our three sports days. They even managed to control the weather! It is often unseen how much time and effort goes into events such as these, we know from the kind emails that some of our parents and grandparents sent us how appreciated you are of the events.

Our smallest and youngest children in preschool were treated to an animal adventure this week. The Petsman joined us in school all day on Wednesday to help us with our learning. Children met animals and creatures of all different sizes and textures, including chickens, bunnies, snakes, and lizards. It is always a joy to see the excitement that the children have in events such as these.

On Thursday, our Year 3 students had a fantastic time at the Wycombe Swan Theatre watching *Awful Egyptians*. They showed excellent behaviour throughout the trip, proudly representing our AVA values. For many, it was their very first school outing, and they truly impressed us all with their enthusiasm and maturity. Well done, Year 3!

Today we had our statutory lockdown practice. As always, we made this a calm activity for the children and explained that we needed to remain in the school quietly whilst Mrs Baughan and Mrs O'Neill checked for the new baby fox cubs at the top of the playing field. We hope that we will never have to use this drill in a real situation but will always practice in a way that causes no distress or anxiety for our children.

Your child will come home with a letter stating their new class and teacher for September today. If you have notified us that your child is leaving, they will obviously not have a letter. As always, we have spent many weeks working with the children on the best fit for the new classes. We know that change can be difficult which is why this process is vital in developing resilience and preparation for secondary school.

Transition day is next week- Tuesday 1st July- for our Reception to Year 5 children.

Children (Recp-Yr5) will come to school and classes as normal and once registered will go to their new classrooms for the morning.

New Reception children need to come to the playground gates at 9.30am and be collected from the same place at 11.00am. Children in our preschool at these times will be walked to their new classes if they are staying here at AVA.

We wish our Year 6 children the best of luck as they head out for 2 days to their new schools. We will miss you but know you will be amazing. (Year 6 going to AVA Secondary can wear AVA PE kit on Tuesday and AVA Primary uniform on Wednesday).

The school is getting ready to 'Rock Out' with the rehearsals for We Will Rock You well underway. The children are sounding amazing, and we cannot wait to watch them perform.

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.

Collection

We are changing the collection points for Years 5 & 6 from September. The timings remain the same, but all children will now be dismissed from the playground gates.

Children in wrap around provision should be collected from the hall from 2.50pm onwards and not the school office. This is to reduce the amount of traffic around the office at this time and reduce the safeguarding challenges that we currently manage.

To safely manage afternoon pick-ups for the whole school, changes of collection arrangements cannot be made after 2pm. If you need to collect your child or change a collection (including the adult), please do so before 2pm. We will be unable to release children after this time, please collect them at their normal collection points or make alternative arrangements.

AVA PTA

Please support our NEW PTA if you can. Volunteers are always needed and always welcome. We will have ice pops for sale after school on a Friday. In this warm weather these are very welcome (Cash and Card payments welcome).

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/>



Dates to remember (these are subject to change)

- 1 July – Transition morning – All children (Year 6 go to their new schools)
- 1 July – Open classrooms and meet the new teacher– 3.30-4.30pm
- 1 July – Residential Trip Meeting Yr 5 – 5pm-6pm
- 2 July – Year 6 transition day (new schools)
- 2 July – Upcoming Reception New Parents Meeting 5pm-6pm
- 7 or 8 July – Year 6 performance (6pm)
- 10 July – Reception Vision Screening
- 10 July – We Will Rock You
- 11 July – We Will Rock You

- 11 July – PTA Non-Uniform Day
- 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

Reflection

A reflection on PATIENCE and RESILIENCE...

At this time of the school year, we are frequently reminded of our school value of RESILIENCE. These weeks are a time for reflection on the past academic year and preparation for the new experiences that lie before us. This focus reminded me of Shakespeare's play 'Othello' and the words of its famous character Iago...



"How poor are they that have not patience! What wound did ever heal but by degrees?"

This rhetorical question reminds us that personal strength and self-worth is not only rooted in material wealth but in RESILIENCE and PATIENCE. Firstly, the words emphasise that PATIENCE enriches a person and enhances their worth. Secondly, they remind us that PATIENCE is needed because progress takes time. It's a reminder that even physical wounds, let alone emotional, academic, or strategic ones, don't heal instantly and we need to be RESILIENT in the face of challenges.

The quote reminds us that PATIENCE and RESILIENCE are necessary ingredients for navigating life's challenges and to achieving meaningful outcomes...

Loving God

Fill us with your Spirit so that we display the fruit of PATIENCE and RESILIENCE in our lives.

We thank you for your grace every single day that we can be forgiven

That each day is a fresh start and the things we did in the past are not held against us by you.

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

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