





PARENT BULLETIN 32 9 May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers.



What a lovely afternoon we have had celebrating the 80th Anniversary of VE Day in Europe. This week all classes have been making bunting to go over their doors which looks great along the corridors. We had a military vehicle on site to give them an insight into life at that time.

The children played beautifully together, laughing, drinking (squash!) and eating biscuits all together on the field, it was lovely to watch.



Our Year 6 SATs start next week and as with every year there will be a free breakfast provided for all Year 6 children from 8am Monday to Thursday, entrance will be through the main Primary Reception. We know that they will be fabulous, but we find it is always a good start to the day having breakfast with their friends and preparing for the exams ahead

The Year 6 Leavers hoodies are up on the Print Lab web site ready to order if you haven't done so already. The deadline is the **12th May** so please make sure that you have ordered by then to ensure delivery to the school. Any orders after this time are subject to an increase in cost and additional charges. We cannot order on behalf of parents. All hoodies will be delivered to the school on **21st May**.

We have started looking at next year's classes and children have started choosing who they work best with. As we do every year, we will take their wishes into account when we create the new classes. Please do not worry about this process it is positive and effective in supporting children to manage transitions, make new friends and work with others.

Please can we ask that all permission to collect are communicated as early as possible and not at or just before pick-up times when the children are moving through the building. It is often hard to hear names clearly on the phone so could all picks ups be communicated with the school via email (avaprimary@theacademy.me) to ensure we have the correct information to pass on.

Absences/Attendance

The absence phoneline will be closed permanently from May half term. Please report all absences to: primaryattendance@theacademy.me

Please do not email the ava primary or enquiries email address (you will be asked to email primary attendance) or leave a message on a different phoneline as these are not monitored for absences and you will receive a chasing email. If you get through to the office or come into the office, you will be asked to email into primary attendance.

Sports Fixtures

Thursday 15th May - Year 2 Sports Festival

On Thursday afternoon, all Year 2 students will be participating in a Sports festival, this will be looking at a variety of sports and skills that they have learnt over this school year.

Wednesday 4th June - Year 6 Rounders festival

Orangutans - The whole class will be participating in a Rounders festival, we will be playing against other local primary schools

Wednesday 11th June - Year 6 Rounders festival

Gorillas - The whole class will be participating in a Rounders festival, we will be playing against other local primary schools

As these are taking place during the school day, unfortunately parents will not be able to watch. If you have any questions, please contact Mr O'Leary via the school office.

Dates to remember (these are subject to change)

14/15 May – Book Fayre (after school)	25 June – Reception Sports Event
20 May – Year 6 WW2 event	26 June – Year 3 Theatre Trip
16 May – PTA Disco (Years R-6)	1 July – Transition morning – All children
2 June – Year 2 Dino Day	1 July – Open classrooms – 3.30-4.30
3 June – Year 6 Bletchley Park	2 July – Upcoming Reception New Parents
	Meeting
3 June – New Preschool Parents Stay & Play	7 or 8 July – Year 6 performance
9 June – Year R Safari Stu	10 July – Reception Vision Screening
9 June – New Preschool Parents Stay & Play	14 July – Year 5 Hazard Alley
16 June – New Reception Parents Stay & Play	16 July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly
24 June – New Reception Parents Stay & Play	17 July – Year 6 Prom
24 June – Sports Day	18 July – Break up for Summer ½ day.

PTA

Our wonderful PTA have a Facebook page that they welcome all parents to join:

The link is www.facebook.com/groups/avapta/

Or they can search Aylesbury Vale Academy PTA on Facebook.

PTA Events

Tickets for the PTA disco's are on sale.

Enjoy games and dancing and showing off your best dance moves! Tickets for Reception include squash & biscuits, tickets for Years 1 - 6 include a drink, crisps & a small sweet treat.

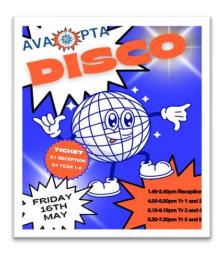
Tickets can be purchased via the link below. No tickets are being sold in school.

https://pta.events/AVAPTADISCO2025

Reflection

This week we invite our AVA community to share in a breath prayer.

Breath prayer is an opportunity to exchange our stress and worry for peace with God. It is a meditation of breathing and relaxation to calm our body when we are holding stress.



In this prayer we meditate on our school value of RESILIENCE, resting in the assurance that we can do anything with God who gives us strength.

A breath prayer for RESILIENCE...

(inhale) Do not be afraid (exhale) do not be discouraged (inhale) for the Lord my God (exhale) is with me always. (Joshua Chapter 1 verse 9)

How to join in this breath prayer...



- Breathe in and breathe out very slowly as you recite the words.
- Breathe in slowly through your nose and fill your lungs fill completely.
- Try to focus on using your diaphragm so that your stomach expands while your upper chest remains still.
- Then slowly breathe out. The out breath should be the longest.
- Empty your lungs slowly and fully.
- Meditate on the words as you breathe.

Repeat several times as you feel your body and mind become more and more calm with each deep, intentional breath.

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.