



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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PARENT BULLETIN 32

22 May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week's bulletin will be short following on from the email this morning. Mrs Baughan wanted to write something personal to you all:

As you will have seen in the letter from Mr Gibson this morning, I will be leaving AVA at the end of this academic year.

This was not an easy decision and it's fair to say it has been a rollercoaster of emotions for myself and the staff.

As most of you will know I joined the school with our current Year 6 children (who were brand new to Reception at the time) and I decided that to leave the school with them seemed fitting.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time leading the primary phase, working with thousands of amazing children, getting to know so many families and creating memories with the brilliant staff.

I have been privileged to hold the position of Headteacher, the role is one that I will never take for granted and I understand how special and lucky I have been to care for, educate and nurture the most precious and talented children that we have at AVA.

As a mum myself I hope that all parents and carers know that I have always had your child's wellbeing and best interests in the forefront of my mind in all that I do. I pride myself in knowing each and everyone here at AVA and please know that you all (children and adults) will always hold a special place in my heart.

The staff here at AVA are truly amazing, we have the best team of adults who uphold our school values in all that they do. Our children are lucky to have these staff in their corners supporting them always.

I am grateful and proud of everything we have achieved, and I know that I am leaving the school in an excellent position.

I am excited for my next step, however the thought of leaving our school and community weighs heavily in my heart. I have spoken to all of the children about change and explained to them about moving on to new things. Mr Cooper joined me in assembly this morning and we gave him a big warm welcome.

Thank you all for the support you have offered the school and myself personally. As members the AVA family you have made my job easy.

I will be keeping in touch and wish Mr Cooper and the team the very best wishes for their exciting chapter.

In the immediate, I am super excited to enjoy the last few weeks of the school year with the children here and will be celebrating everything that the children and staff have achieved.

With lots of love always.

Mrs Baughan

Upcoming Dates

Please take a look at our web site for term dates as we don't always come back on a Monday! We've put all of our dates below to take us up to the end of Summer as we are starting to come into a busy time of year.

Please keep an eye on these in case any changes need to be made or there are additions to the list.

25-29.05.26 – HALF TERM

- 01.06.26 – Year 2 Dino Day
- 02.06.26 – Year 6 Bletchley Trip
- 03.06.26 – Reception new starters Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm
- 09.06.26 – RSE Drop-in Session 3.30-4.30pm
- 11.06.26 – Reception new starters Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm
- 15-19.06.26 – RSE Week and Cultural Week
- 15.09.26 - Cultural Dress Day
- 17.06.26 – Preschool new starters Stay & Play 4-5pm
- 17.06.26 – KST2 Author Visit
- 19.06.26 - Year 3 Egyptian day (Dress up)
- 23.06.26 - Open classrooms (Cultural Celebration) 3.30-4.30pm
- 25.06.26 – Preschool new starters Stay & Play 4-5pm
- 25.06.26 – Year 5 Residential Meeting 5-6pm
- 29.06.26-03.07.26 – Sports Week
- 30.06.26 – Yrs 1- 3 (AM) & Yrs 4-6 (PM) SPORTS DAY – weather permitting
- 01.07.26 – Reception Sports Day 9.30am – weather permitting
- 01.07.26 – Year R Safari Stu
- 02.07.26 – Reserve Sports Day
- 02.07.26 – Reception Vision Screening
- 07.07.26 – Transition Day – AM only
- 08.07.26 – Reception New Parents Meeting 5-6pm
- 13.07.26 – Year 5 Hazard Alley Trip
- 13.07.26 – Year 6 Performance 6pm
- 14.07.27 - Year 6 Performance 9.15am
- 15.07.26 – Year 6 Prom 6pm
- 16.07.26 – Year 6 Assembly 9.30am
- 16.07.26 - Year 6 Shirt Signing
- 17.07.26 – End of term – ½ day – SUMMER!



AVA PTA

There are many ways you can support your PTA, if you are interested, please email ava.pta@hotmail.com

Reflection

A Reflection for Eid al-Adha...

EID-AL-ADHA
MUBARRAK



As we end the week, we wish our Muslim friends 'Eid Mubarak' for the celebration of Eid al-Adha which will take place during half term. In the UK this year, Eid al-Adha will begin on the evening of Tuesday 26th May 2026, with the day of Eid falling on Wednesday 27th May.

Eid al-Adha is a time of gratitude, reminding people of God's countless blessings. From life and health to comfort and guidance we are encouraged to remember that these gift come from God

This week invite you to join us in a prayer that focuses on cultivating a heart of thankfulness, because, by practising gratitude, it is possible to shift our focus from what we lack to what we have been given.

This prayer encourages us to appreciate both the small and great blessings in our lives and to express thanks in every circumstance.

Loving God,
We give thank You for the countless blessings, both small and large that we experience.
On this Eid al Adha, fill our hearts with gratitude and joy.
Help us to recognize goodness in every aspect of our lives.
Teach us to be thankful in all circumstances, trusting that You are always working for our good.
Remove negativity from our hearts and replace it with appreciation and contentment.
May our lives be a reflection of gratitude in all that we do.
Amen

*Content adapted from the Daily Prayer Room © 2026
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Have a wonderful half term break.

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-ROacP9_VtsKSZm5ilcidJig5HlgRJQUZUMEVCUk1PMUZXRtg1UIIUUVVBaSFNYUFICMi4u&web=1&wdLOR=cA359AD1B-53A8-5F47-9B1A-80EC4AFA2E4C

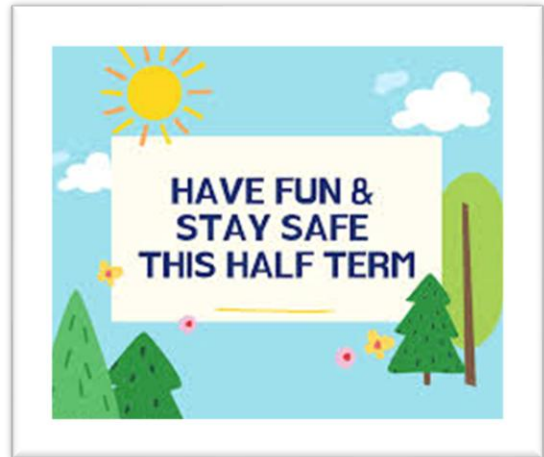
Free School Meals

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

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

Report Parking Issues

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-transport/parking/tell-us-about-a-parking-problem/>



ARTISANS
OF
MOROCCO

Eid
Mubarak

EID Festival

FAMILY FUN DAY

SHOP * EAT * CELEBRATE * ENJOY

Sunday

24th May

11am - 5pm

Aylesbury Vale Academy
HP18 0WS

EVERYONE WELCOME

Come & Shop & Browse

★ Meet with Local Vendors ★

SHAH'S
FOOD

DELICIOUS FOOD
FOR EVERYONE!



KIDS
ACTIVITIES



FOOD



GIFTS



DESSERT



CAKES &
BROWNIES



BUBBLE TEA
& MOCKTAILS



REFRESHMENTS



YUMMY
PANCAKES



ICECREAM



BOUNCY
CASTLE



EID
DECOR



MOROCCAN
ARTISAN



PALESTINIAN
ITEMS



TRADITIONAL
CLOTHING



LOCAL
HONEY



CLAY ART



PERFUMES
& SCENTS



HENNA
STALLS



PERSONALISED
ITEMS



HOME
FRAGRANCES

NEW!



COME & SHOP
& BROWSE



MEET WITH
LOCAL VENDORS



SUPPORT LOCAL
SUPPORT COMMUNITY

❄️ CELEBRATE EID TOGETHER • MAKE MEMORIES • ENJOY THE DAY! ❄️

Parent and Carers

Our School Nursing Team can help with things like:

Behaviour management Development Toileting

Wellbeing Healthy eating Sleep Emotional health

Find advice on supporting your
child's health and wellbeing.

 www.healthforkids.co.uk/buckinghamshire

Message your local school nursing team:

07312 263 175

Or scan the
QR code to
start a chat:



WENDOVER YOUTH CENTRE

ACTIVITIES

CIN Hangout Cafe
Thursday 6.30 - 8.00






The Hangout is our relaxed SEND youth session. Spaces are limited.

Email Shanie@wendoveryouth.co.uk

Friday Night Youth Club
Friday 6:15-8.15 - Year 4-8

Email Samantha@wendoveryouth.co.uk

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