

PARENT BULLETIN 8

# 23 October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy week this week with Parents Evenings on Tuesday and tonight. It is always lovely to catch up with parents and share all the wonderful things the children have been learning in class and their progress.

The Year 6 had their vaccinations this week so that finalised the vaccination programme for Primary for this academic year. If you missed the window for vaccinations please speak to your doctor or contact the immunisation team to see where your nearest clinic will be.

We will be selling poppies and remembrance items in school from 3<sup>rd</sup> November. All items are cash only we don't take cards as it all goes into the collection pots and we are unable to give change. The school prefects will be going around the classes all week so please make sure you child has some pennies to buy some items or a Poppy.



We will shortly be sending out a letter about Remembrance Day itself and how the children can get involved.



We have another achievement to share with you all from one of our students. We are so pleased to see all the hard work that goes on outside of school and share

in the successes of our AVA family. I know Koa's family are super proud of her as are we. This past weekend, Koa took part in her 2nd annual competition for the gymnastics squad team she is a part of. She had to compete in 4 different apparatus against some of her team mates- vault, bar, beam and floor. Koa was super nervous going in but performed really well across all events. She came home with a gold medal, two silvers and a bronze. WOW!



# Anti-Bullying Week – WB 10th November 2025

This year's theme for Anti-Bullying Week is 'Power for Good'. The Anti-Bullying Alliance wants all children to understand that they have the power to speak up safely when they see bullying happening. Throughout the week, children will be using their PSHE lessons to explore this in more detail. There will also be a whole school assembly. As always, we are inviting children to wear odd socks all week to show that we can all express ourselves and celebrate our own individuality.





Our local Vineyard is holding a charity event on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October to raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness. If you have time please pop down to the Hope Café and support this event. The Vineyard do some much for our families it would be lovely to support them in their fundraising.

# Dates for Diary October

- 24 **INSET Day**
- 27-31 HALF TERM



## November

- 3 First Day back
- o 4 Open Classrooms 3.30pm-4.30pm
- 7 PTA Disco's
- 14 Individual and Sibling Photos

# **AVA PTA**

## **PTA Disco**

We are so excited to be hosting a 'Dis-Glow' when we return after half term on Friday 7th November. Get ready to dance, get ready to glow! Shine extra bright in while or neon! Tickets are limited and are on sale now, they include a snack and a drink for each child. You can purchase them here:https://pta.events/Disc-Glow2025



If you can also sign up to lend a helping hand on the day, that would be much appreciated.

## Pre loved uniform collection bin

We are delighted to see our new donation bins our side of primary and secondary reception areas. We welcome all branded items at the drop off for our next pre love sale.

Please see a poster at the end of the Newsletter about the upcoming disco that the amazing PTA have organised. There is a QR code that you can scan to buy tickets or to volunteer.



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

If you are interested in joining our wonderful PTA please email <a href="mailto:ava.pta@hotmail.com">ava.pta@hotmail.com</a>

#### Reflection

As we end the half term we invite our AVA community to join us in a reflection for Black History Month which has been celebrated in many different ways in both Primary & Secondary phases. We invite you to join us in a prayer adapted from an original written by Richard Reddie, Director of Justice and Inclusion of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. To echo his words, may we learn to listen to the next generation of young people and ask that their stories will be heard by everyone and given the RESPECT we value at AVA.

## Loving God,

Creator of our wonderful world, and its beautiful people.

We thank you for Black History Month and the opportunities it's given us to celebrate the myriad contributions that Black people have made to the world over the centuries.

Thank you that this month has been an opportunity for everyone to hear more about those men, women and children whose stories have previously gone unheard.

As we consider these stories of struggle, suffering and success, we thank you for giving those brave individuals the courage, strength and faith to both survive and then thrive.

We also praise you for the histories that are still being made, and we think of the next generation of young people and ask that their stories will be heard by everyone, and not confined to a particular month.

Finally, may this month be the starting point for an interest and engagement with Black history that will continue over the other 11 months of the year.

We ask all this in your wonderful name.

Amen.

Please remember it is an INSET Day tomorrow. Have a wonderful half term break and we will se you in November for the run up to Christmas!

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 2nd November

Discover Bucks Museum, Church Street, Aylesbury HP20 2QP 12 till 5pm

# Fun family event

# **EVENTS INCLUDE:**

- Cultural and Bollywood Dance
  - Henna Tattoos
  - Craft Activities
  - Dhol Drummers
  - Street Food & Chai Stalls plus much more!

FOR MORE DETAILS VISIT:

holycowcommunityevents.org

# **BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

Charity Reg No: 1194665













