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# PARENT BULLETIN 23 3rd March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly I would like to thank our families and community for their support on Wednesday. The industrial action that took place on Wednesday meant that we couldn't operate as 'normal'. This impacted upon us all and could possibly happen again on 15th and 16th March. I will continue to update you as new information comes to light.

The week has been enjoyable and we have been busy planning future events and activities.

### **World Book Day 2023**

We have all had a fantastically colourful day to celebrate World Book Day! Seeing the rainbow of children in front of us in Celebration Assembly was a particular highlight! Thank you for supporting us with our event. Our teachers carried out a 'Teacher Reader Swap' today, visiting a different class to read a story - we had a great time! We also had various other classroom-based activities going on throughout the day! Reading for Pleasure is a key focus for our school, and it has been wonderful to hear so many bookbased conversations happening.



Please continue to encourage reading at home – for example, sharing a book at bedtime is a brilliant way to spend some quality time together in a relaxing environment.

The day has been excellent and the activities so much fun. Thank you to Mrs Foulger (our English Lead) for running such a brilliant day.

Our Year 6 moved one step closer to Secondary School this week as they discovered which school they will be moving on to. It is at this point in the year that we start feeling slightly sad and very excited to help them along their way. We are lucky at the Academy as we know that we get to 'keep' many of our children and be a big part of their future. I am always happy to speak to parents as we enter this important next stage.

#### **Phonics Workshop**

Next week we have Phonics Workshop for Reception parents on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March from 3.30pm-4.00pm. It would be lovely for parents and children to join us in school.

### Instagram, Twitter and Facebook

For all of our latest news, to keep up to speed with events, for sharing 'wow' moments, and to stay 'in the loop,' follow us on social media.

We have 3 platforms- Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



Facebook https://www.facebook.com/theaylesburyvaleacademyprimary



Twitter: https://twitter.com/avaprimary?s=09



Instagram: https://instagram.com/avaprimary?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=

Any questions, please contact <a href="mailto:avaprimary@theacademy.me">avaprimary@theacademy.me</a> FAO: Mrs Clark

### **Parent Partnership**

We are excited to announce that we are currently working to achieve a school improvement award on Parent Partnership. In order to evaluate our current provision, we need your input. Your views are important in helping us understand what we are doing well and how we can improve. Please follow the link below to complete the survey. It should only take a couple of minutes and the link is open until 24th March.



All responses and suggestions will be carefully considered and used to plan a range of school improvements.

If you have any queries about this survey, please contact us.

https://app.awardplace.co.uk/stakeholder-evaluations/user-survey/63f4dba6c4614



# Advanced Notice – Scholastic Book Fair – Saturday 1st April 2023

On Saturday 1st April 2023, we will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair in the Community Suite. We will be open 9:30am - 12:30pm.

As a cashless school, all books will need to be purchased using a bank card.

### **Spring Concert**

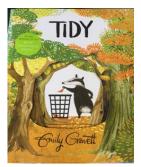
Looking forward we are going to hold a Spring Concert here in the Primary School on Thursday 30th March 5:30-6:30pm.

If you have a child at AVA who plays an instrument in school or outside of school and they would like a performance opportunity, then they can contact Miss Russell through the school office.

More details to follow.

### Reflection

## Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023



Today as part of our World
Book Day Celebrations I
was lucky enough to be able to read
to our Year 4 students. We shared a
funny and amazing book called 'TIDY'
by Emily Gravett. The main character
in the book is a badger called Pete
and he learn the hard way the
consequences of his extreme tidying
(including covering the forest with

concrete).

We talked about what we as humans are doing to our planet and that at times we are just like Pete. In the book Pete realises his mistake before it is too late. We hope we as humans will too. That is why this year at AVA we are inviting our community to use the 40 days of Lent to explore with us what it means to make positive change for our world and the climate. We want to inspire you to make a change. It's only 40 days, but it will have an impact forever.

Each week in the run up to Easter, this reflection will focus on suggestions for small changes we can all make to have a positive impact on the world. If we all committed to just one of the suggestions, added together these would equate to a huge impact for our planet.

# During Week 2 why not...

With thanks to <a href="www.livinglent.org">www.livinglent.org</a> hosted by JPTI, The Baptist Union of Great Britain, the Methodist Church and the United Reformed Church working together for peace and justice.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards, Mrs C Baughan

