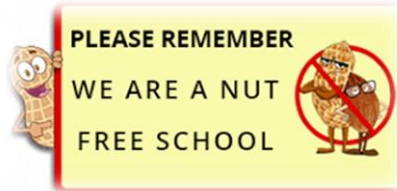




The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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PARENT BULLETIN 30 29th April 2022



Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed time with your loved ones. Over the fortnight I found myself reflecting upon the last two Easter's! We have not enjoyed this in school since 2019! We took the opportunity to remember why we celebrate Easter with Reverend Lane in the week before we broke up. I am so grateful that we were together in school this year.



As we start the summer term we look at all we have planned. We have trips and visits booked for many classes as well as the leavers celebrations for Year 6. Many of our Year 6 children collected their leavers hoodies this week. This is always bitter sweet for us staff, as we know that it signals the transition to secondary school. The children can wear their hoodies in school on their PE days.

We have the SATs for Year 2 and Year 6 and Phonics check for Year 1 this term. Parents of children in these year groups will receive information as needed.

Year 4 are being offered the exciting opportunity to see how we sell and buy food first hand. Although their own vegetables aren't ready to be sold, we want to offer the children a chance to sell produce in a real life situation, they will prepare the market stalls, produce posters to advertise their produce and experience handling money and giving change. They will be selling the fruit and veg just outside / on the school playground on Wednesday 4th May from 14:25 - 15:30. All the profits made from their sales will go towards the children's end of year harvest feast.

Chat & Coffee Stop

The Chat and Coffee Stop topic this month is ADHD
The session is on Tuesday 3rd May 8.30am-10am

Please come along to the primary community suite alongside our School Counsellor, SEN team and Pastoral team for refreshments and a catch up, followed by a brief presentation aimed at parents of children with or going through the diagnosis of ADHD.



If you think this may be beneficial for you, your family, and your child, you are more than welcome to come along and join us.

2022-23 Classes

We will start looking at classes for next year in the next couple of weeks. As always, please be rest assured that we will be working with all children to ensure that they are happy throughout the process. This will give all children the opportunity to identify whom they work well with as well as the chance to make new friends.

Amazon Wish List

Please find a link to our Amazon Wish List. We are still collecting books to add to our September Reading Corners and any help is appreciated!



A huge thank you to those who have already purchased books for us! It is truly appreciated!

It is not an expectation for everyone to purchase something from the list as we understand that everyone's circumstances are different.

Thank you in advance, if you are able to help our school out – we look forward to sharing our new-and-improved classroom Reading Corners with you all over the coming months! <https://amzn.eu/3R0Q8zn>

PTA - AGM

The AGM of the Aylesbury Vale Academy PTA, to be held on Monday 9th May. The evening will commence at 7.30pm with the PTA Annual General Meeting, followed by a regular PTA meeting. The meeting will take place in the AVA Primary School Main Hall.

The PTA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents, as members of the PTA, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children/students at our school.



Eid

We wish everyone who will be celebrating Eid over the next few days a safe and happy time with your loved ones.

Chair of Governors

You will have received a letter from Mr Gibson about the sad passing of Ms Rochefort our Chair of Governors. I would like to share my condolences with all who knew her.

She was a truly inspirational and committed colleague who was passionate about AVA and all that we do here. So many of us will miss her support and friendship. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends at this difficult time.

Absences

Please can we ask that if you are calling in to report an absence that you select the absence line when asked to do so this way the Pastoral team will be able to pick up all absences before calling parents to check. We are getting many parents calling the secondary to speak to someone but we are not always receiving these messages before calls home are being made, as they are dealing with Secondary calls and absences.

Alternatively, please email - primaryattendance@theacademy.me and this will be picked up by the Pastoral team.

Reflection



This week we remembered St George's day in school. As we end the week, we can reflect on how the legend of St. George fighting and overcoming the dragon (a traditional symbol of evil) reminds us of God's care:

"Under the Lord's wings you shall take refuge; His faithfulness is a buckler and shield. You shall not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day" (Psalm 91:4-5).

May we wish everyone a restful bank Holiday Weekend, especially those in our community preparing for Eid next week.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend and we will see you all on Tuesday 3rd May - when enrichment clubs will also start.

Kind regards,

Mrs C Baughan