



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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PARENT BULLETIN 26 24th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to our amazing school parliament and Year 6 children who (along with all of your support) raised £373.10 for comic relief on Friday. This was purely through cake sales. Thank you.

I mentioned recently that we will be supporting two charities close to our hearts after Easter. It now gives me huge pleasure to tell you a little more about the first of these.

Higgy's Heart and Mind

As many of you know Maddie and Hollie lost their Dad in June 2022 after a short battle with a brain tumour. Maddie (in Year 4) was determined to keep her dad's memory going and to do something to help others. She has started a charity called 'Higgy's Heart and Mind'. This is registered as part of a national Brain Tumour charity.

Maddie is planning her assembly to raise awareness after Easter and would like to do a fundraising event on Friday 21st April. She is asking all of us to wear red to school in honour of her dad's love of Arsenal Football Club. This will be a red themed mufti day- no uniform necessary.

We will use a just giving link to raise as much as possible on this day.

We are incredibly proud of Maddie, her ability to turn this devastating event into a positive for others is remarkable. I am sure you will join us in making this day awesome.

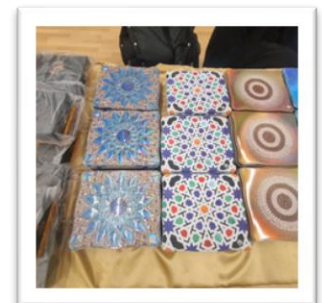


Ramadan



This week we saw the start of Ramadan. We would like to wish anyone observing this sacred time a peaceful and blessed month.

Last Saturday there was a fair held at school selling Ramadan gifts and food, it was a lovely atmosphere, something for the Muslim community to come together & a fantastic response!



Uniform

I would like to remind you all about our uniform expectations.

Recently we have seen many children without our correct uniform or PE kit. If your child does need new uniform, please use the Easter holidays to correct this.

We understand the cost of this and would like to remind you that the supermarkets often have cheaper options available. The only compulsory branded items are the PE top, jumper/cardigan and polo shirt (when visible) all of the other items can be sourced at your convenience.

Children should not be wearing football kits, branded hoodies, different colour items etc to school.

Scholastic Book Fair & Second Hand Uniform Sale - 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.

We are thrilled to announce that Justine Allen will be running the AVA Second Hand Uniform sale alongside the book fair! Please remember that this is **cash only**.

Reflection

This we have invited our community to use the 40 days of Lent to explore what it means to make positive change for our world. We are all called by God to bear the burdens of the weakest, and this means recognising our abuse of the earth's resources. In a memorable quote William Wilberforce once said...

'You may choose to look the other way but you can never say again that you did not know.'

Each week in the run up to Easter, this reflection has focussed 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 5 why not...

Have a lovely weekend.

**Kind regards,
Mrs C Baughan**

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