



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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PARENT BULLETIN 34 9th June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the weather turns hot for the weekend, we can't really predict what next week will bring.... please remember to send your child into school with a named sun hat, sun cream applied and plenty of water. Children always have full access to their water bottles in their classrooms and in the warm weather this is even more important.

I would like to thank all of the parents who firstly offered ideas of how to help raise money to balance the outstanding amount for the school trips (that we were looking at cancelling) and secondly thank everyone who has used the 'voluntary contribution' option on school gateway to ensure that the trips can happen.

The current financial climate is tricky for everyone and brings pressures that many people haven't experienced before.

Trips, visits and experiences play a valuable part in enhancing our curriculum and seeing how excited our Year 3 children were yesterday when they visited Tring Museum reaffirmed this.

We do not take your help for granted but very much appreciate your support for each other and all of our children.

Thank you



WE BELIEVE IN YOUTH!

Over half term YDP ran a 3-day holiday club. This proved a huge success and they have decided to run 2 full weeks in August. There is currently an early bird booking offer (for June only) of £80 for the whole week. This is a significant discount. If you would like to book a space please use the website www.ydpoxford.co.uk

These clubs will be multi sports and open to girls and boys from 5-13 years old.

End of Term Timings

Although it seems a little while away, we will be closing our doors on Thursday 20 July for the summer break (Pre-school close on Wednesday 19 July). As always this will be an early finish with children being dismissed at the following times:

- Reception 12.15pm
- Year 1&2 12.20pm
- Year 3,4 & 5 12.25pm
- Year 6 (from the playground) at 12.30pm. At this time of year, we always gather on the playground to celebrate Year 6 and wish them well on their journey to Secondary School.



National Sports Week

National sports week is 19th June this year and in the Primary we are going to run different activities throughout the week.

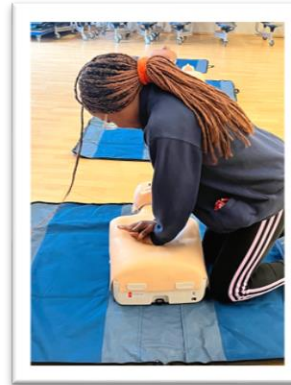
We are recommending that children wear PE kit and trainers to school throughout the whole week. We will be welcoming a range of visitors as well as trying many sports.

Year 5 First Aid

Year 5 have all been

learning first aid and CPR. This is an important skill that has proven to be live saving for some of our ex-pupils.

It is amazing that we can offer these classes to our pupils and we now have a full set of recourses to support this training.



Year 3 Tring Museum

As I mentioned earlier the Year 3 children went on their first school trip this week to Tring Museum. The children were very excited and came back full of amazing stories of their day. Thank you to the staff who organised and ran the trip and to the staff at the museum who commented on how brilliantly behaved our children were.



Year 6 Science Fair

Year 6 held a Science Fair last night and welcomed lots of visitors throughout the day and after school. Their work in planning, executing and displaying their



experiments was of a very high standard with many adults refusing to believe that it was completed by 10 and 11 year olds!

Well done to the Year 6 team.

Science Fair results

- 1st - Evelyn, Evana, Tivisha
- 2nd - Charlotte, Faith, Vani, Smakeyra
- 3rd - Ines, Amelia, Duaa, Melissa

Transition

All of the children have now chosen who they work best with and would like to move up with. This has brought much excitement about our transition day on Tuesday July 4th this year. This day will include an opportunity for you to join us in your child's new classroom from 3.30pm-4.30pm and to meet their new teacher ahead of them moving up in September.

This term is the busiest by far and we have activities or events on most days! Please use our calendar and dates below to ensure you are aware of important dates for your diary.

Advanced Notice – Scholastic Book Fair – Saturday 17th June 2023

On Saturday 17th June 2023, we will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair in the Primary Hall. We will be open 9:30am - 12:30pm.

The book sale is bank card only.

Please come along and support us by purchasing some fantastic books for your children's bookshelves! We looking forward to seeing many of you there!

Second-hand Uniform Sale:

Mrs Allen has kindly offered to run the second-hand Primary uniform sale alongside our book fair! Please come along if you are in need of any items. The uniform sale is cash only.



Evening of Expression

Join us for an unforgettable evening of creativity and cultural celebration at the AVA Youth Social Action group's "Evening of Expression" on June 20th, 2023 from 6:30-8:30 pm (AVA Main Hall). Our talented staff and students will showcase a variety of talents such as singing, dancing, art, and fashion. Wear something to represent your culture and join us in appreciating the beauty in our differences. Your contribution will make a significant difference in the lives of those who need it the most. All proceeds will go towards the various charities we support and aid in the future funding of our Youth Social Action programme. Get your tickets for only £3 and be a part of something truly special.

Link to tickets : [Aylesbury Vale Academy PTA \(pta-events.co.uk\)](https://pta-events.co.uk)

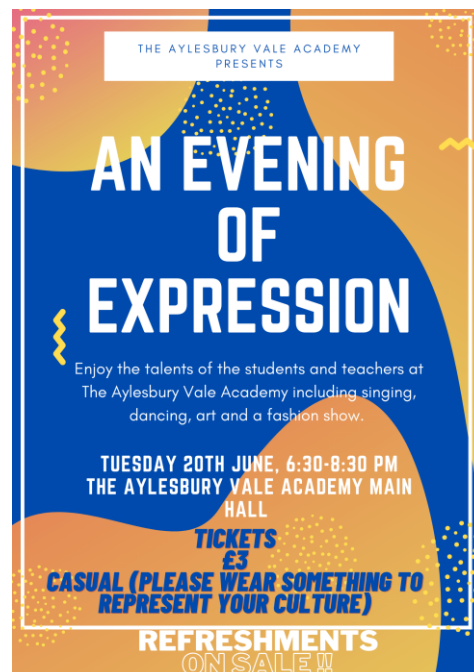
Diary Dates

JUNE

12 th – 23 rd	Year 2 Phonics Screening
14 th June	Year 4 Farm visit (Falcons)
15 th June	RSE Workshop for Parents 3.30-4.30
16 th June	Year 4 Farm visit (Eagles)
19 th – 23 rd	Sports Week
19 th June	Year 5/6 Rounders Tournament
20 th June	Preschool Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm (AM children only)
22 nd June	Reception Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm
24 th June	'AVA'Bury Festival
27 th June	Year 1,2&3 Sports Day 9.30-11.00am
	Year 4,5&6 Sports Day 1.00-2.30pm
	Preschool Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm (All day children only)
	Year 5 11+ meeting
28 th June	Year R Sports Day 9.00-10.00am
29 th June	Reception Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm

JULY

4 th July	Transition Day (including new Reception 9.30-11.30)
	Open Classrooms (meet the teacher) 3.30-4.30
	Reception Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm
6 th July	Preschool Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm (PM children only)
	New Reception Parents Presentation 6.00-7.00pm
7 th July	INSET
10 th July	Year 6 Summer performance (evening)
11 th July	Year 6 Summer performance (evening)



13th July Reception Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm
Year 6 Prom
Preschool Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm (TBC)
17th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly
18th July Year 6 Leavers Lunch
20th July Last day of term half day

Reflection

We began the week in the Primary Phase with an Assembly on World Oceans Day. Thank you to Mrs Smith and Mrs Zucchi (who are appropriately our reception class teachers for Dolphin and Turtle Classes).

As we end the week, we invite our AVA community to reflect on our Oceans and how we can care for them as they care for us...

As the waves crash along the shore, we cannot help but be mesmerized by their power and grace. We marvel at miraculous and colourful creatures moving swiftly through the waters, and the depths of the ocean are filled with mysteries, wondrous and unknown. The tides remind us that our world is all connected. That God's presence is never far from where we stand. The salt that runs through our bodies is the same salt that ran through the ancient seas. The ocean is more than surging currents, it is us, and we are it.

Loving God

We pray that all people feel called to find their role in protecting our oceans.

We pray and hope that each of us feels a renewed sense of connectedness with the ocean and its many gifts to us.

Amen

Wishing you a restful weekend

**Kind regards,
Mrs C Baughan**

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