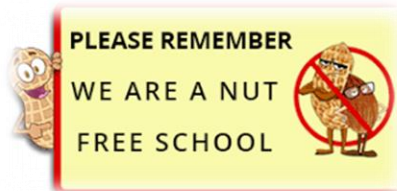




The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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PARENT BULLETIN No. 22 11th February 2022



Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the last week of the half term the weather has improved and amount of positive cases in children and staff decreased.

We currently only have 9 children and 1 member of staff who are confirmed positive cases and hope that this number will continue to drop next week also.

Please remember that there are NO enrichment clubs next week as it is the last week of the term and that clubs will start again from Monday 7th March. The same clubs are running next half term as this half term and therefore there is no need to re book. All of the clubs are full and the next opportunity to sign up for a new club will be in the summer term.

We return to school on TUESDAY 1st March as the 28th February is an Inset day. This means that swimming for Year 4 Eagles class will start on Monday 7th March. Well done to Falcons for representing the school so beautifully during their swimming course.

On Thursday our Year 3 children and adults dressed in stone age outfits to take part in an amazing WOW day. It was a day full of fun activities and learning opportunities.

Parent Consultations

The School Cloud is now closed for booking parent consultations and the appointments are being distributed to the teachers today.

Parking

Please can we ask you to park considerately when dropping off and picking up from school. Please allow enough space for people to move cars and do not block in the entrance to the school car park in case staff have to leave in an emergency.

Late Collections

We have had a high number of late collections recently. Please note that any late collections incur a fee of £20 per child per incident and invoices will be issued by the finance team for all late collections.

Reflection for the Week

We started this week with an assembly from Mrs Haydon where we learned about the Christian festival of Candlemas. This is the time in the annual calendar when Christians remember Jesus being taken to the temple to give thanks for his birth.



Although Joseph and Mary would have been a small and insignificant family in the great temple at Jerusalem, Anna and Simeon recognised that the baby this couple were carrying was something special. Simeon and Anna rejoiced when they saw the baby and Simeon said "This is the one I have been waiting for. I have seen that God is coming to help our world and people all over the world. He will be like a bright light shining for everyone."

As we end the week we can reflect on how Mary and Joseph were not famous or important people at the time, but they were chosen by God to do a great thing.

A prayer for Candlemas...

Loving God, we thank you that all people are important to you.

Help us to love ourselves, and each other.

Help us to love those who it is difficult to love,
and to love those in need.

Amen

Reminders

Parent Consultations – 15th and 17th February

World Book Day – 3rd March

Yr 6 Manor Adventure Trip for 2023 – instalment payments live on School Gateway

Eagles Class swimming – start 7th March

Enrichment Clubs – resume 7th March

Stay safe and have a great weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs C Baughan



HM Government



If you have any of the following symptoms:



A new, continuous cough



A high temperature



A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

**Get a test as soon as possible.
Stay at home until you get the result.**

Well-being Matters

The current situation is a challenge for all, and we appreciate our students may find the uncertainty of the pandemic difficult. The safeguarding team are always here to support our students and we can be reached directly using the following email address: safeguarding@theacademy.me

There are several charities who can support your child if you are concerned about their mental health, these are listed below:



Kooth - online counselling for young people
www.kooth.com

NHS

EVERY MIND MATTERS

Every Mind Matters
www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters



Mind
www.mind.org.uk/information-support/coronavirus-and-your-wellbeing



Mental Health Foundation
<https://mentalhealth.org.uk/coronavirus>

Thank you for everything you are doing at this difficult time in support the children at the Aylesbury Vale Academy.