



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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PARENT BULLETIN 27 31st March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,
Wow! What a term!

It always surprises me how quickly the weeks fly, but when I look back at everything we have done I feel so proud of our little community, our children and staff.

All of our Year 4 children have completed another course of swimming, Year 2 have walked to the park to learn about where we live, we have cooked, raised money for charity, held a cake sale, performed, played sports, taken part in the World Maths Challenge to name but a few.

This week has been no exception in our busy schedule...

On Wednesday 35 of our sports loving children visited The Emirates Stadium to watch Arsenal Women play Bayern Munich Women. There were over 21,000 in the crowd and it was an amazing evening filled with lots of chanting, cheering and smiles.

Last night we were treated to an evening of music and singing at our Primary Spring Concert. It was the most emotional and joyous evening. We are blessed to have such talented and courageous children at AVA. A huge thank you to Miss Russell, the other staff who helped and to the friends and families who supported the event.

Today we all came together to celebrate our stars of the term and top attending children.

Well done to all the nominees and winners.

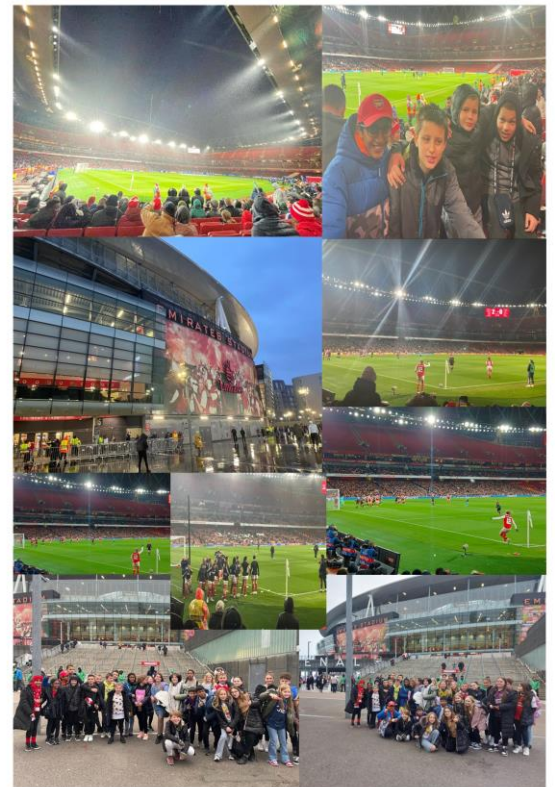
Kymani was the winner of the 100% attendance award for the Spring term and won a Fitbit Inspire 2. Well done!

Well done to Leopards in KS1 and Hedgehogs in KS2 who won the class attendance awards for the term they will both have a Mufti Day on Friday 28th April.

Celebration assembly is always the best! Thank you to our Choir who entertained us with an original version on 'Hall of Fame', adapted by Abigail in Year 6.

Year 6 Leaver Hoodies

Following on from the email on the 13th March this is a reminder that you need to order your Leavers hoodie by the **7th April 2023**, if you miss this deadline there will be additional charges to order and you will need to organise this directly with the supplier.



Hot Meals

The menu's have just come through from the catering company so these will go up on the web site shortly and it will go live over the Easter holidays. You will be sent an email when you are able to book.

Enrichment Clubs

Enrichment clubs are attached. Clubs will start from Monday 24th April. The payment requests will go live tomorrow at 9am, please book on ASAP to ensure a space.

Higgy's Heart and Mind

Maddie 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.



You can donate to her JustGiving page by clicking here:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/lisa-higginson-1680206356541?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=one_page&utm_content=page/lisa-higginson-1680206356541&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=7c8b26744b214a5abe42b46a207046ca

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.

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, football trainers, branded hoodies, different colour items etc to school.

Bucks County Council Community Engagement Award

At AVA we are working hard on our community engagement. If you feel we're improving on this, we would love it if you could nominate us for the Bucks County Council Community Engagement Award. Submit your nomination by 28 April 2023 via their website

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools-index/the-buckinghamshire-school-awards-2023/>

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

As we end the school term, we wish our whole community a blessed and peaceful Easter.

This Sunday Christians around the world will mark the start of Holy Week by celebrating Palm Sunday. As we approach Palm Sunday, we invite you to join us in reflecting that Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a

donkey. Traditionally, entering the city on a donkey symbolized arrival in peace, rather than as a war-waging king arriving on a horse. Jesus showed us in his life, death and resurrection how he was a humble King who came in peace and love.



Cross above made by Evie Y5.


We look forward to seeing you all when we return to school on Monday 17th April after the Easter break. I hope that you have a lovely, family and fun filled fortnight. Please look after each other and enjoy this special time.

**Kind regards,
Mrs C Baughan**

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