



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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PARENT BULLETIN 18 20th January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that the weekend brings us some slightly warmer weather and that we are able to enjoy being outside and benefitting from our lovely local environment. I always feel so lucky when I get the opportunity to visit the woods or even walk the Greenway, I know not everyone has these on their doorsteps and it reminds me I should do this more often!

This week the Year 6 children have blown us away with their resilience in taking their assessments. They have all tried their absolute best in all that they have done and as always have conducted themselves with respect and kindness to others. I am sure that they are now looking forward to the residential and activities week on 30th January.

National Teacher Strikes

As you will have read in the press, the National Education Union (NEU) are planning a series of strikes in the next two months. The first dates that this could affect AVA are: 1 February and 2 March 2023.

If a pay deal has still not been met by this time, the NEU will launch further strikes on 15 March and 16 March 2023.

At present it is not clear how much this will affect the school. However, once we know more, we will be able to confirm with parents.

Punctuality

Each morning, our gates open at 8:30am. Learning also begins at this time, with each class having a 'Soft Start' activity ready. Our morning Soft Start activities are either poetry-based or key arithmetic skills. Children who arrive at 8:30am are able to settle quickly into class, greet their friends and maximise their learning opportunities.

When children arrive after 8:50am, they receive a late mark and have missed their Soft Start activity, therefore missing a valuable learning opportunity. Arriving late can also mean your child takes longer to settle into their school day.

Please support us in maximising the learning by ensuring your child is in school as close to 8:30am as possible.

Clubs

Our clubs are in full flow and we are excited by how many children are participating in each of them. We have Parents Evenings on 7th February and 9th February and therefore none of our school led clubs are running in this week. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday's football clubs are running as are the Sports Factor clubs. Obviously, the teachers are needed to attend appointments, so we are only able to offer the externally run clubs for this week.

Reflection

We started the week in Primary Phase with an Assembly on Resilience led by Mrs Foulger & Miss Granville. Amongst other examples we thought about how an elastic band bounces back after it has been stretched and how resilient people bounce back after something challenging has happened.

As we end the week, we invite you to reflect with the students on how we can all encourage each other to keep going when times are tough and join us in the prayer the students shared.

Dear Lord

Sometimes it's hard to keep trying.

It is hard when things are tough or when everything seems to be going wrong.

Help us to never give up, persevere and help us to be people who encourage others to keep trying too.

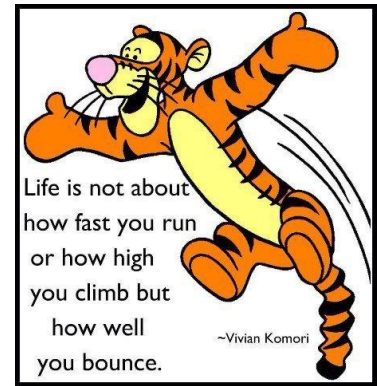
Thank you that you never give up on us.

Amen

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs C Baughan



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WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW PLAYERS TO JOIN OUR GROWING FOOTBALL COMMUNITY

Stoke Mandeville Football Club Under 8s have created additional spaces within their age group for children currently in YEAR 3

Training is every Saturday at Mandeville school 4G 1030-1130am

Matches are most Sunday Mornings
All abilities welcome

Contact the club or our Head coach for more details
Charlie- 07971 057833

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Kirsty & Ed x



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