

PARENT BULLETIN No. 47

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Welcome

Last night we were fortunate enough to be able to hold the first **Awards Evening** for two years in your Main Hall.

I think it is fair to say that we completely underestimated the number of parents who would show up and as a result, the students had to be housed in the Atrium and be brought into the Main Hall when it was their turn to receive their award(s). Therefore, it is clear that there is huge support out there for our young people and I thank all of those who turned up to clap them across the stage.



If you have any questions about anything in this bulletin, please contact us at enquiries@theacademy.me.

Have a good weekend.

Gavin Gibson

Academy Principal

History Hero

This week's History Hero is **Gracie Goodman** in Year 11. Gracie has worked extremely hard this term and is making really good progress.



Keep it up!

History Team

Careers

ASK Programme March Newsletter

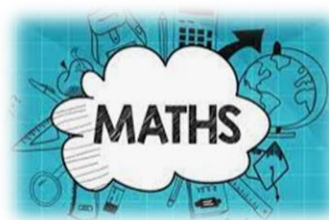
The ASK Programme is a careers initiative by the department for education which focuses on apprenticeships, T Levels and other careers. Really useful; reading for our Year 11-13 students. Please find below a link to the latest newsletter

<https://mailchi.mp/amazingapprenticeships/ask2021-1646177?e=270dfdc67d>

Maths Challenge

Our winner for this week's Maths Challenge is **Munashe Ndoro** of Yr9No3.. Well done **Munashe** for stepping up to the challenge!

Mr Binns



PE News

As March comes to a close, we want to celebrate all the students and teams that have shown great progress and commitment to Physical Education.

Club of the Month: Basketball club has been running since September, students from years 7-9 have enjoyed developing their skills and improving their teamwork through basketball games. Well done (Miss Gibbs)

PE Students of the Month: March

The following students have been nominated by their PE Teachers for their 'Student of the Month'. They have been nominated by their teachers for their commitment, effort and progress in PE:

Mr Verity	George S	9 Nobel 1
Mr Wakefield	Paige D	7 Franklin 1
Miss Walker	Max C	10 Faraday 1
Miss Fuller	Oliver S	7 Nobel 2
Mrs Haynes	Aliza K	10 Nobel 1
Miss Pinker	Emily M	10 Nobel 1

And the overall winner of PE student of the month is Student of the month is **Mark Tchape**, nominated by **Miss Gibbs**.

Well done everyone for being amazing PE students!

Boys District Football Final League Tables

Year 7:

After an excellent set of results, including 2 wins and 2 draws, the Year 7 boys finished 2nd in their league and have moved forwards to the semi-finals which will be played against Aylesbury Grammar School next week. We wish the year 7's the best of luck.



Year 8:

The Year 8s had a mixed bag of results this season and finished 4th in their league. This doesn't at all reflect their performance as a team across the 5 matches they played.

Year 9:

Unfortunately, the Year 9s did not manage any wins this season. We trailed a variety of teams and used this season as a trial period for year 10 due to not having played for a few years. They played 6th in their league.

Year 10:

After excellent performances from the year 10's they lost out on semi-finals by only a few points. They finished 3rd, however, they managed to score the most goals in their league which was an excellent achievement.

A massive congratulations to all those who played for AVA in our football competitions this year. It has been amazing to get back playing fixtures and seeing the healthy competition that has arisen from it.

Year 7

Update

Our Year 7 Assembly this week was delivered by Miss Blake Huggins one of our Science Teachers. The Assembly focus was "Growth" in recognition of Science Week. Students were encouraged to look at and reflect on the different aspects of Growth: From the development of plants, population and the effects on the environment to considering personal growth in relation to our ideas, plans and progress. The presentation tied this concept into our Academy Values, Respect, Aspiration and Resilience.

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Awards

Well done to the following students who achieved the following awards due to the amount of achievement points they received:

Bronze: Logan E, Finley, Tristan, Tia

Silver : Alex J, Abena

Well done to you all, a brilliant effort.

Special Visit

On Thursday 31st March we have pop sensation Natalie Grey visiting the Academy.

All Year 7's will be invited along to the event which will include a performance, PSHE focussed talk concluding with a question and answer session. In order to mark the event pencils will be on sale for £1.00, your child will be very welcome to purchase one.



Spanish and French Easter Activity - Egg Hunt

The MFL department will be running a Spanish and French Easter activity for Y7 students on Wednesday 6th of April. The activity will take place after school time, from 3.05 to 4.00. The activity consists on hunting and locating different Easter Eggs with Spanish and French activities on them that the students, in their groups, will need to complete. The students, in their groups, will need to submit their answers to the teacher and they will need to find all the eggs hidden in the outside area of the Academy. A letter outlining the event has been sent to all our parents and carers. Be sure to complete and return the consent slip if your child would like to take part.

Academy Values Awards

Well done to the students below who have been awarded the Resilience, Aspiration, and Respect award. These students have been nominated by their classroom teachers.

The following students were commended for their efforts:

Respect: Harry L, Kaya, Max B, Fabio, Alex J

Aspiration: Harrison, Ryley, Chloe, Jamie O, Kairon C

Resilience: Rupert, Kelly, Unai, Batool, James K

Keep up the good work everyone!

Any enquiries, please contact year7enquiries@theacademy.me

Ms Dutson and the Year 7 Team



Year 8

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Update

This week in tutor time students continues with the tutor program, Monday they were reading *Running Wild* by Michael Morpurgo, Tuesday numeracy and Wednesday debate. The students discussed how animals have helped forward humanity, including Dolly the cloned sheep.

Our assembly this week was delivered by the student parliament and was about the Anthony Nolan Charity. This is now the charity the school is supporting. It was a very though provoking and the students were engaged.

Any enquiries, please contact year8enquiries@theacademy.me

Mrs Lloyd and the Year 8 Team

Year 9

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Update

Tutor time this week has followed the pattern of numeracy and literacy with literacy activities focusing on the Read to Succeed programme.

Tutor time on Friday was the debate day, this week's topic was "**Which animals have taken humanity forward?**" Each tutor group had thoughtful discussions with a number of students presenting slides to the rest of their tutor group.

This week's assembly was on the theme of "The Hero Project" and was led by the student parliament.

Key Dates

Wednesday 6th April – Paradise Wildlife Park – Unfortunately we have been let down with regards to our trip, the trip to Paradise wildlife park has been cancelled.

We will run an in-house reward before the Easter break.

Academy Values Awards

Well done to the students below who have been awarded achievement points for showing Academy values. These students have been awarded these by their classroom teachers:

Respect: Logan F, Jake F, Gerrad Y, Tyla F, Maisie F, Thomas W

Aspiration: Sarah A, Aimee B, Bryan J, Haleena P, Lilly C, Jessica W

Resilience: Lara B, Eda H, Ocean J, Richie C, Daniel F, Pheobe P



Well done for demonstrating our school values everyone!

Any enquiries, please contact year9enquiries@theacademy.me

Mr O'Leary and the Year 9 Team

Year 10

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Update

It was wonderful to see so many of our amazing Year 10s recognised in last night's Awards Evening and Jack R pick up the Year 10 Achievement Director's award as well as the successful Year 10 football team get a mention. We are so proud of them.

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Respect: Angel G Mohammed M Donnel M Dawon D

Aspiration: Geoleande V Akmal K Sabah D Gerry M

Resilience: Aimee M David S Amna M Aliza K Toby L

Any enquiries, please contact year10enquiries@theacademy.me

Ms Pinker and the Year 10 Team



Year 11

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Update

As Achievement Director for Year 11 I had a great sense of pride during the Awards evening to see the amount of Year 11's nominated for their respect, aspiration and resilience. We know that this time of year can be stressful for the students, but the event showed us that they really are resilient. Keep up the good work Year 11, we are extremely proud of you all.

Prom

Prom is quickly creeping up on us. A polite reminder that **final** payment for Prom is due by the 30th April.

Leavers Hoodies

Leavers hoodies are available to purchase via the PLC Schoolwear. Please use the following link to order your child's leavers hoodie <https://plschoolwear.co.uk/shop/aylesbury-vale-academy/ava-girls/aylesbury-vale-acadamey-year-11-leavers-hoodies/> Hoodies will be given out at the leavers assembly.

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Respect: Fizah Q

Aspiration: Basit A

Resilience: Akindu K

Well done!

Any enquiries, please contact year11enquiries@theacademy.me

Mrs Leach and the Year 11 Team



Thank you for all your support