



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been super active at AVA Primary. We have celebrated National Sports Week in style! We have welcomed professional footballers, rugby coaches and a professional boxer into school. They have all hosted assemblies, answered questions and most importantly led sessions in their chosen sports. The children have thoroughly enjoyed these.

On Monday we welcomed 4 other primary schools here and hosted a rounders tournament. This was great fun and a good opportunity to make friends from other schools.

On Wednesday we held our first festival of football. We entered 3 mixed teams and other schools joined us. Well done to our teams and all the children who took part. Thank you to our Year 9 and 10 sports leaders and to YDP for organising this. The children were all in Year 6 and it was great to see them interacting with people that they may meet again in September.

We love sports here and were proud to be chosen to be the first Aylesbury hub for Horizon Sports. They have successfully run clubs this term at the school and have just confirmed that they will be growing in September. Please see the attached information if you think your child would like to join in. These clubs are open to children from all over Bucks and beyond.

This is a great opportunity for children and parents to meet new people.

This week in Diabetes awareness week and at AVA we are really proud of our colleagues and children who have this condition. Many of us are trained to support people with Type 1 Diabetes and we would like to help other spot potential signs.

On Tuesday evening our primary choir joined hundreds of people in the secondary hall for an Evening of Expression. This was a huge celebration of cultural diversity. It was full of outstanding talent and really made us all proud to be part of the AVA family. Thank you to everyone who organised and supported this event. We look forward to the next one!

Tomorrow we will be hosting AVA'Bury. This will be a mixture of stalls, music and activities. If you are able to join us in school the event is on the secondary field from 1pm.





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

WE BELIEVE IN YOUTH!

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.

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.

Letters informing you and your child of their new class will be handed out on Friday 30th June.

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.

Diary Dates

JUNE

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| 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

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| 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) Reception Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm |
| 13 th July | Year 6 Prom Preschool Stay & Play 4.00-5.00pm (TBC) |
| 17 th July | Year 6 Leavers Assembly |
| 18 th July | Year 6 Leavers Lunch |

20th July

Last day of term half day

Reflection

On Wednesday this week, the northern hemisphere experienced the summer solstice for 2023. This was the longest day we will experience this year.

As we end the week, we invite our community to join us in a prayer of thanks for the sun. During the discomfort the heat can bring it can be easy to forget the miracle of each new sunrise, the blessing of life...

Gracious God,

Thank you for the sunshine.

Its warmth and brightness are a reminder of your eternal presence in our lives.

Thank you for starting each day with the sunrise.

May the light of the sun be a reminder of Your light in our lives.

May the joy sunshine brings be a reminder to praise You.

Amen

Wishing you a restful weekend

**Kind regards,
Mrs C Baughan**

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