

PARENT BULLETIN No. 49 29th April 2022

Welcome

It has been another exceptionally busy week at AVA. Year 11s and Year 13s have started their countdown to exams and Rev Lane was in school delivering his assembly focussing on St George's Day. Although we have just returned from a two-week holiday, we know have a three-day weekend and I haven't heard many students complaining!

Let's hope the sun shines for this weekend.

If you any questions about any aspect of the bulletin, please contact us at enquiries@theacademy.me

Gavin Gibson

Academy Principal

History Hero

This week's History Hero is **Harley-Ray Hussey** for consistent involvement in all discussions first with his hand up and always keen to share ideas, excellent attitude to learning in history and fantastic hard work across multiple weeks completing all the tasks and attempting higher taxonomy questions.



Keep it up! History Team

Personal, Social and Health Education

PSHE Visitors

On May 9th we have visitors from the RAP project in to deliver workshops with years 7, 8, 9 and 10. Each year group will have a different workshop suitable for their age group. The topics each year will cover are:

- Year 10: Social Skills for Life and the Dangers of Porn
- Year 9: Altered, Airbrushed and Unrealistic
- Year 8: Digital Natives and Social Skills
- Year 7: Digital Natives

For more information on these workshops please see <u>The Rap Project</u>. If you have any questions please get in touch with Ms O'Loughlin at moloughlin@theacademy.me.

Equality and Diversity Group

In March, our Equality and Diversity club completed training to become Agents of Change. One of their first projects was making Worry Monsters. These can be found in the intervention room and the library. Students can currently report their worries or concerns through any communication with staff or the concern button on our school intranet page, but these worry monsters will provide an additional way for students to report any concerns they might have.



Physical Education News

PE Students of the Month: April

Ms Haynes Rufus Martin (7) Mr Wakefield Junaid Khan (9)

Mr Verity Tanatswa Dangirwa (9)

Mr Lobb Armin Kos (8)
Ms Fuller Niamh Hyland (7)
Ms Gibbs Joleen Chapman (7)

PE Extra Curricular Clubs: Summer

Please find below the Summer extra-curricular clubs. Any students who wish to attend need to come down to PE at 3:00pm and change in the designated area. These are free of charge and no sign up required.

Any students who wish to complete in upcoming District Athletics. Cricket and Rounders fixtures need to be attending these clubs to be selected.

Extra-curricular PE & Sport Timetable After School: 15:00 – 16:00		
Mon	Year 9 Fitness: Gym: Miss Haynes (A) & Miss Fuller (B) Year 7-9 Tennis: MUGA: Mr Wakefield	Year 10 Football: 3G: Mr Lobb Year 10 Rounder's: Field: Miss Fuller (A) & Mr Verity (B) Year 10 School Production Dance Rehearsals: EED/LCO
Tue	Year 7-10 Girls Fitness: Main Hall: Mrs Michhiana & Mrs Briggs Year 7-10 Dance: Dance Studio: Mrs Edwards Year 7 & 8 Cricket: Astro: Mr Verity Year 7-10 Softball: Field: Mr Lobb	Year 10 Girls Fitness: Main Hall: Mrs Michhiana & Mrs Briggs Year 10 Fitness: Gym: Miss Fuller Year 10 Tennis: MUGA: Mrs Haynes Year 10 Softball: Field: Mr Lobb
Wed	Year 7-9 Glow Fit: A01-04: Mrs Haynes Year 7-9 Rounder's: Field: Miss Gibbs Year 9 & 10 Cricket: Astro: Mr Wakefield Year 9 Athletics: Field: Mr Verity	Year 10 Cricket: Astro: Mr Wakefield Year 10 Fitness: Gym: Mr Daley Year 10 Athletics: Field: Mr Verity Year 10 Boxercise and Light Resistance: Main Hall: Mr Lobb
Thur	Year 7 Athletics: Field: Miss Gibbs Year 8 Athletics: Field: Mr Wakefield Year 7-10 Zumba: Dance Studio: Mrs Crumpton Year 9 & 10 Football: 3G: Mr Verity	Year 10 Football: 3G: Mr Verity Year 10 Fitness: Gym: Mrs Haynes Year 10 Zumba: Dance Studio: Mrs Crumpton
Fri	Primary- Year 5/6 Sports Club: Mr Wakefield	Year 10 Health & Fitness: B02-33: Miss Fuller

Maths Challenge

Our winner for this week's Maths Challenge is Izabela Cristea of Yr10Fa1. Well done Alexandria for being a great mathematician!

Mr Binns



Year 7

Update

We wish to welcome back all our Year 7s and trust both they and their families had a restful and peaceful break. We were pleased to welcome Magic Sam before we broke up who performed his amazing act, which allowed the students to get fully involved.







Academy Values Awards

Our Assembly on the last Friday celebrated student successes for this term, all the students below received certificates and Achievement Points:

Respect: Gethen, Tyler, Harry L, Fatima, Freddie, Elysia, Humayun, James K, Alex J, Cameron C, Hanifa, Jack A, Marco, Rupert, Alexandra, Chantelle, Breanna, Harry T, Humaira, Kaitlin, Cameron D, Max, Jannat, Florence, Khazim Aspiration: Zach P, Aimee, Alex, Carrick, Julia B, Safwan, Komal, Rupert, Mischa, Krishna, Max, Humayun, Batool, Keira, Vinny, Elliott, Aimee, James K, Carter, Finley, Ryan, Oliver, Chloe, Riley, Logan, Macy, Kharzin, Alexandra Resilience: Lily R, Harry M, Jamie O, Oliver, Shabana, Jamilu, Tia, Jasmine, Breanna, Abena, Connie, Dior, Louis, Kayden, Lexi Aqdas, Harry L, Daniel, Ishaan, Joseph, Aimee, Fatima, Gabriel, Ollie, James K, Unai



Well done to each and every one of you.

History Ambassadors

The History Department have selected Ambassadors for their subject and I am pleased to announce the following students who will be taking up the role.

Julia B, Henley C, Harry G, Theo H, AJ, Lizzie S, Kartik, Cai W, Elliott



International Women's Day Art Competition

The Year 7 Team and the Art Department are pleased to announce Gabrielle as winner of the International Women's Day Art competition. Gabrielle was presented with a £25 Amazon Voucher during the Awards ceremony.

Well done Gabrielle

Cheerleading Success

The Academy are very proud of Niamh, Yr 7 for taking part in the World Cheerleading Championships in Florida this April – Team Britain, of which Niamh is one of 24 members, with ages ranging from 11 to 14, won the Championship competing against Korea, Mexico, Wales, Italy, Poland who came 3rd and Canada who came 2nd. The team delivered and performed an outstanding routine securing gold and becoming World Champions.





Niamh has been cheerleading since the age of six at the ACA Academy in Aylesbury she tried out for Team Britain in October 21 and was successful in gaining a place. Since then Niamh has trained monthly for eight hours back to back with the team travelling to Croydon for the sessions.

Niamh is planning to try out for Team Britain again this year and we wish her every success with this.

Year 7 Parents Evening: 5th May 2022 – 16.30-19.30

We would like to thank all our Parents and Carers that have booked virtual appointments for the above and strongly urge that this be undertaken if not already done. If you are having technical issues or are not sure how the system works please email us at enquires@theacademy.me and we will do all we can to ensure your opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their teachers is not missed.

Any enquiries, please contact year7enquiries@theacademy.me
Ms Dutson and the Year 7 Team

Year 8

Update

Year 8 have had a fantastic start to the summer term, it was wonderful to welcome back all our students after a well-deserved break. The students continued with the tutor programme, they have been reading Running Wild for literacy, numeracy on Tuesday and debate on Wednesday. This Thursday Reverend Lane came back and delivered an engaging assembly on St George's day. He asked some thought-provoking questions, that got our students thinking about how they can impact their community.

During the Easter Holidays **Ibukun Familoni** Year 8 entered the Athletics club championships and is currently 6th in the UK for the Men's Under 15 long jump. Ibukun came away with a Top 10 UK ranking, 2 gold medals, 1 silver medal and achieved his PB for all 3 events. A massive congratulations to Ibukun!

Academy Values Awards

One of the most rewarding parts of our job is celebrating all the fantastic students in our year for all their hard work and effort. 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: Dylan B, Summer Wh, Oliver D, Ashton T, Henry B, Kyron M, Seb B.

Resilience: Amelia D, Jessie B, Lowri T, Yahya K, Ava P, Sayan HS.

Aspiration: Brooke B, Lilly L, Kiah T, Tinashe K, Megan W, Haylee AS, Jessica W.

Any enquiries, please contact <u>year8enquiries@theacademy.me</u>
Mrs Proud and the Year 8 Team



Update

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

The Year 9 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 "**How have your feelings towards politics changed**?" Each tutor group had thoughtful discussions with a number of students presenting slides to the rest of their tutor group.

This week's assembly had two themes one of "Expectations" and was led by Mr West and the second theme was St George's day which was led by Reverend Lane.

Key Dates

Summer reward trip – The Year 9 team are currently in the process of identify some options for our Summer reward trip, more information for parents and students will be provided in due course

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Respect: Daniel F, Fahtima A, Harrison C, Jake F, Maisie F, Hannah J, Evie M,

Hannah W, Angel A, Zayneb B

Aspiration: Jessica W, Summer C, Jessica H, Lacey M, Maya P, Maddy S, Lara B,

Isabella B, Morgan B, Cameron B

Resilience: Alex B, Mia A, Zak B, Alfie C, Eleanor C, Leo C, Harry D, Dillon E,

Victoria G, Diva K

Well done for demonstrating our school values everyone!

Any enquiries, please contact <u>year9enquiries@theacademy.me</u>
Mr O'Leary and the Year 9 Team



Update

As you're aware Miss Pinker left at the end of term and I will now be overseeing the year group for the remainder of their time in Year 10. Ms Collins continues to be the Pastoral link for the year group, but if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with either myself or Ms Collins using the Year 10 enquiries email year10enquiries@theacademy.me

Year 10 GCSE History

All Year 10 students were given letters this week regarding a trip to The Old Operating Theatre and Hampton Court Palace for Wednesday 8th June. If you would like your child to participate, please complete all paperwork sent with the letter detailing the plan for the day by Monday 9th May.

Advance notice - GCSE History Trip to Berlin, Germany January 2023





We are planning a trip to Berlin, Germany for all GCSE History students. We plan to depart 17th January and arrive back in the UK 19th January 2023. The trip will cost £529 per student. Letters detailing plans will be sent to all GCSE History students September 2022.

Year 10 into 11 Transition Evening

To help prepare your child with the transition into Year 11 we are inviting all parents and students to the Year 11 Transition Evening which will be held on Wednesday 25th May, 6-7pm. A letter will be sent home next week for you to secure your place.

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: Lily B, Aimee M, Tegan D
Aspiration: Dylan B, Scarlett F, Alex P
Resilience: Zoha O, Connie M, Toby L

Any enquiries, please contact <u>year10enquiries@theacademy.me</u>

Mrs Leach and the Year 10 Team



Update

Year 11 students are now focusing on the upcoming exams which are two weeks away, all year 11 students have received their exam timetables and have been encouraged to create revision timetables. We are receiving a lot of enquiries about study leave and Period 6 once exams start, we will communicate all details with the students next week.

Job Opportunity - Aqua Vale

Aqua Vale Swimming & Fitness Centre are currently looking for some young adults to train up and become swimming teachers through our training initiative which we have run for several years as a facility.

The role will involve working alongside our Swim Teaching colleagues to do onsite training in the swimming lesson scheme and also train successful candidates to the relevant qualification standard to be able to then pick up paid work alongside their training hours.

Jaguar and Land Rover – Careers
Opportunity for Year 10 and 11

Aqua Vale Swimming & Fitness Centre
Teacher Training Scheme 2022 - 2024

Everyone Active Aqua Vale have an impressive Swimming Lesson Scheme. Without the qualified Teachers running the lessons we would struggle to supply such a good service.

We are looking for volunteers to help on our scheme for the year 2022-2024 alongside the current teaching team. This would include being in the water supporting the teachers and the children, working with children and getting a hands on experience in a lesson situation.

The work will be Voluntary with perks provided throughout the year also working towards gaining the Level 1 & Level 2 Swimming Teaching qualification.

We are looking for the following:

- Must be 16years old on application.
- Enthusiastic, energetic, happy, reliable and flexible.
- Prepared to be in the pool.
- Willing to help with Events put on by the centre.
- Ready to learn.

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Happy to help within the week and at weekends

We will be holding interviews as there are limited spaces and there will also be a cost to the training programme of £300.00. If you are interested please send a CV and a covering letter to the below address. Closing date is Friday 20th May 2022.

Interviews will take place week commencing 30th May 2022

Sarah Wright - Contract Swimming Lesson Manager Aqua Vale Swimming & Fitness Centre Park Road Aylesbury

E-Mail Address: sarahwright@everyoneactive.com

EVERYONE SHOULD THINK AGAIN ABOUT SWIMMING







For those of you interested in high-end motor vehicles you're going to be interested in our next insight event!

On **Monday 16th May** from **5:00pm - 6:00pm** Young Professionals are hosting their first ever virtual event with luxury British car manufacturer Jaguar Land Rover. Having been automotive industry pioneers for more than six decades, today Jaguar Land Rover is the UK's largest investor in automotive research, development and engineering. They use world class processes to create innovative British craftsmanship and engineering excellence in over 170 markets worldwide.



With exciting new products, cutting-edge facilities and continued growth into new markets, it's an exciting time to be at Jaquar Land Rover.

We'll be hearing all about how the company has become what it is today and their visions for the future with revolutionary new sustainable technologies particularly in the electric car space.

With a wide variety of school-leaver opportunities in a number of engineering fields, data analytics, supply chain & logistics and finance, could a career at Jaguar Land Rover be for you?

Join us to hear about the fascinating world of the ever evolving motor industry and learn from some of the world's leading engineering minds in the industry.

Click the following link to register yourself for the **online** event: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/JLR-Event

Prom

Payment for Prom closes on Tuesday, please make sure you have secured your child's place at the Prom.

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: Shelby H, Rohan B, Alex M
Aspiration: Courtney B, Oliver H, Tegan D
Resilience: Kyarna B, Shenade M, Zara B

Any enquiries, please contact <u>year11enquiries@theacademy.me</u>

Mrs Leach and the Year 11 Team



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Thank you for all your support