



The Aylesbury Vale Academy

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Welcome

We are in ever changing times. On Wednesday evening, the government confirmed that they do not advise face masks in classrooms from Thursday 20th and no face masks in communal areas from Thursday 27th.

On Monday 17th, we had 62 students who had tested positive and were self-isolating. On Thursday 20th, this had dropped to 56. Mondays are always better for introducing changes to routines in schools and so we will review our position on Monday and hopefully we can ease our face mask controls gradually.



This drop is a reason to be optimistic but I would like to point to the huge number of rewards that are being issued to students at the Academy each week. For staff, it is easily one of the best parts of the job nominating students for these.

If you have any questions regarding the information in this bulletin or anything else, please contact using the following email: enquiries@theacademy.me.

Have a good weekend.

Gavin Gibson

Academy Principal

Join our Sixth Form in September 2022

This week or year 11 learners attended an assembly outlining the launch of our new prospectus and the subjects we will be offering here at the AVA entry 2022/2023. The learners have also attended assemblies where subject content and expectations have been explained. Our prospectus is available on the following link <http://www.theacademy.me/sixthformcourses>

Our application process will open on the 1st of February, and we will be sending more information on how you can apply during next week.

If you have any questions, please email us on avasixthform@theacademy.me

History Hero

This week's History Hero is Ayaan Hussain for working extremely hard and making great progress.

Well done from the History Team



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SIXTH FORM

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Careers Update

Monthly Careers Newsletter - January 2022

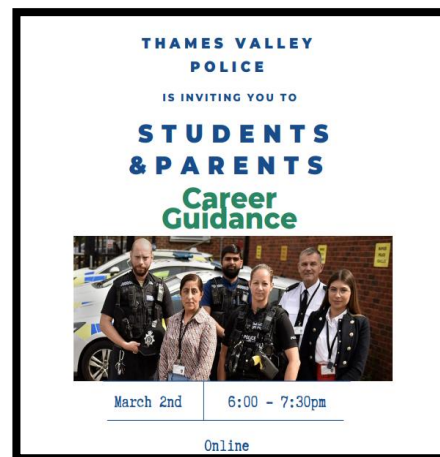
To all parents, especially those of whose children are in Key Stage 4 and 6th Form, the link below is of a comprehensive careers monthly newsletter for parents and carers. You'll also find events, activities and on university, work experience, understanding the job market, skills, Labour Market Information (LMI) and everything you need to help prepare young people to enter the fast-changing world of work. The important events for your attention are: South Central Ambulance Services virtual recruitment open day, PwC Flying star degree programmes, KPMG Apprenticeships, The Bucks Skills Show and a National Apprenticeship Week event.

<https://www.theacademy.me/page/?title=CAREERS+EVENTS&pid=83>

Interested in a Career in the Police?

Thames valley Police are holding an event on 2nd March for students and parents giving an introduction to careers in the police. Please click on the link below to book your place.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/thames-valley-police-careers-guidance-students-parents-tickets-247245527027>



Geographer of the Week

Every week we nominate a Geographer of the week, for outstanding work and effort in Geography. This week we have nominated Imogen Jones - for producing fantastic pieces of work and always working hard in lessons. Well done!



Geography Team.

Year 12 and 13 Parents' Evening

This will take place of **Thursday 3rd February** and we will send you the relevant link next week for you to book your appointments.

Year 7

Update

Year 7s have had a busy two weeks settling back into the school routine and taking part in their extra-curricular activities. We had Assemblies both last Friday and this Monday. Friday's assembly focused on friendships and working together as a team. On Monday the importance of reporting our concerns, worries and fears was presented along with how to do this.

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Achievement Ambassadors

Our Achievement Ambassadors have embarked on their first activity as part of their role which will be to work with the Year 7 Team in planning, creating, and delivering the year groups first student led assembly. Their focus will be around friendships and conflict resolution. We have been overwhelmed with the ideas generated from our initial meeting with the students. It will be the first time these students have worked together as a team, and we are very excited to see the final production. Mr Verity is very busy collating all the ideas so they can all be included. It is hoped that the skills our Achievement Ambassadors learn with us can be transferred back to their tutor groups so they, in turn, are able to work together to lead in Assemblies as a Tutor Group, on a given topic, in the future. A very big thank you and well done to our Achievement Director Ambassador Team:

Faraday 1- Leo Perry
Faraday 2 – Alysia Gray
Faraday 3 – James Kneller

Franklin 1 – Bahiti Lenka
Franklin 2 – AJ Mangenga
Franklin 3 – Kaya Nyathi

Nobel 1 – Freddie Kennedy
Nobel 2 – Hanifa Shah
Nobel 3 – Ryan Adams-Verrill

Well-being Ambassadors

Our well-being Ambassadors have begun to meet weekly, they are getting to know each other and are planning how they can promote well-being across the Academy. We are all looking forward to seeing their work in action.

Zak P, Claire H, Billie Rose B, James A and Nathan H

Awards

This week 50 of our Year 7's received their Bronze Award for gaining 250 Achievement Points, 93 students have now received the award and many others are on their way to receiving their certificates and badges as well. We also have a few students very close to receiving their Silver Award for gaining 500 Achievement Points, next week we hope to be able to announce their achievements

Year 7 Football vs Buckingham School

The game started with Buckingham scoring two goals in quick succession. The team showed great resilience after a few missed chances managing to finally steal the ball back and score a goal. From this point they dominated possession and shut down the main threats from the team, scoring another goal the bring the scores level before half time.



AVA went out into the second half in the same manner they finished the last scoring another goal quickly after half time to make the score 3-2 to AVA. AVA remained dominant till the end, scoring another 2 goals. The game finished AVA 5-Buckingham 2.

Man of the match- Leo Manolov

Goals scored by: Leo Manolov-2, Conor Mckay-1, Carter Jn Marie-1 and Nathan Hawkes- 1

Team: Leo M, Carter J, Salem Y, AJ M, Nathan H, Oliver S, Finley C, Carrick E, Connor M, Aidan A and Alex W

The team will all receive resilience awards this week

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: Anya L, Carrick E, Temiloluwa O, Lexi K, James K
Aspiration: Mohammed S, Lucia F, Mia N, Jannat H, Kayden C
Resilience: Alaina B, The Yr. 7 Football Team mentioned above

Well done all!

Any enquiries, please contact year7enquiries@theacademy.me

Ms Dutson and the Year 7 Team



Year 8

Update

Year 8s have had an extremely busy time in tutor time and enjoyed an Assembly led by Ms Hanmer about Mental Health. The assembly also reminded students where in the school they can go to if they feel they are struggling.

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Just a reminder that trainers are not part of the AVA school uniform. All students must wear black school shoes, unless students have a medical note. Please email Mrs Lloyd if you have any questions regarding this.

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Respect: Euan B, Aizere A, Jake C

Aspiration: Summer E, Zak K, Mahroosh N

Resilience: Emilia K, Chloe J, Alicia D

Any enquiries, please contact year8enquiries@theacademy.me

Mrs Lloyd and the Year 8 Team



Year 9

Update

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On Monday Year 9, used form time to celebrate their successes and were given their Achievement Point certificates, rewards and star badges. In total 92 Bronze, 52 Silver, 7 Gold, 3 Platinum and 1 Ruby certificate were issued.

Tuesday and Thursday 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 do we talk about loss & bereavement?". 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 Mental Health led by Miss Hanmer about Mental Health. The assembly also reminded students where in the school they can go to if they feel they are struggling.

Academy Values Awards

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Respect: Alfie C, Maya F, Afser-Jehan A, David K, N'fagie N, Maciej F, Finlay J, Arjan S, Dayaan K, Zain Y

Aspiration: Grace A, Binta C, Robert E, Ben G, Reanne M, Phoebe P, Sienna Pi, Carla P, Abigail S, Jessica W



Resilience: Junaid A, Francesca A, Kai B, Taylor F, Marley G, Oscar B, Ben G, Kamil A, David K

Any enquiries, please contact year9enquiries@theacademy.me

Mr O'Leary and the Year 9 Team

Year 10

Study Higher

On Tuesday 25th January Study Higher will be visiting the school and running a 50-minute presentation. This presentation will focus on building confidence and dealing with fear and anxiety as the year 10 students prepare for their mocks and transition into their final year at AVA.



Year 10 Football Fixture

The year 10 boys football team played Buckingham on 20/01 and came away with a victory. The boys won 2-1, goals were from Nico and Aaron. Nico's goal was extremely well taken, incredible skill shown and resilience to stay on his feet past 3 defenders and slotting it in the top right corner. Aaron's goal was an extremely well taken penalty that hit the back of the net in the bottom left corner, Aaron won the penalty by the Buckingham defender taking him down from behind. The boys showed great character to hold onto their 2-1 win to end the game on a high. A great team performance, now onto the next game against John Colet on Thursday 27/01.

Movie evening

Students have been sent a Microsoft Form to fill out if they are interested in watching a movie in the main hall towards the end of this half-term. If your child is interested please ask them to complete the Form.

Harry Potter Easter rewards trip

We are gauging interest in taking student to the Harry Potter Warner Bros Studio. If your child would like to attend please ask them to fill out the Microsoft form on the Year 10 Teams Page.



Student-led assembly

A handful of students in year 10 have volunteered to lead an assembly on the topic of 'Relationships'. These students will be preparing the assembly during tutor time and will be delivering it to the rest of year 10 on 8th February.

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Respect: Gerry M, KK B, Sam C

Aspiration: Axl H, Saran K, James L, Aleksandar P

Resilience: Charlie S-S, Olimpia S, Tai W



Any enquiries, please contact year10enquiries@theacademy.me

Ms Pinker and the Year 10 Team

Year 11

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Aylesbury Vale Academy Sixth Form

Year 11 started the week of this week with an assembly launching of our new prospectus and the subjects we will be offering here at the AVA entry 2022/2023. They also had subject specific talks throughout the week where subject content and expectations have been explained. This is a lot of information to take in and we will be sending you more information over the next few weeks as a reminder of what we offer here at the AVA. For now, please look at our prospectus which is available on the following link <http://www.theacademy.me/sixthformcourses> or email us on avasixthform@theacademy.me if you have any questions.

Calling all Medics

If your child is interested in a career in medicine, please encourage them to sign up to this free webinar.



To help aspiring medics get back on track with their Medicine applications, we will be running a free online webinar where we will be covering the following:

- Medicine Application Timeline
- Medical Work Experience
- How to Get Work Experience
- Reflection
- Key Deadlines/Dates to note down
- Choosing a Medical School - Making Choices

Every attendant will also receive multiple frameworks, templates and other materials they can use on their journey to Medical school.

Webinar Name: Medicine Application: Getting Back On Track

Date: Wednesday, January 26

Time: 07:00 PM (London time)

Location: Online - Zoom

Admission: Free

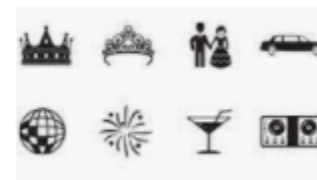
Suitable for: Students in Year 10,11 and 12

Your child can book their free space here: educationprojects.co.uk/project/medicine-application-getting-back-on-track

The spaces are limited so your students need to book their spaces as soon as possible.

Prom

The local community would like to support you with the preparation for the Prom. A number of hairdressers, make up artists, nail technicians, spray tan technicians have been in touch to offer you all a discount on your treatment for the Prom. Please contact them directly.



Jodie Watton can offer hair, make up and lashes for £85. These treatments can be done at your home. Please contact her directly on jodie.watton@icloud.com

Becki Pontefract can offer make up for £20. You can contact her 07704025190

Kaycie Pearson can offer the following: Hair curl £20. Hair curl and soft simple make up £50. Hair up and make up £70. Group discount of 10%

Phoebe Wellbourn can offer all 50% on any of her treatments, please look at her instagram page @thebeautywitchH.

Rosy Salt can offer gel nails for £20 please look at her instagram rosy.gelnails

Larris Grant can offer all spray tans £20 each or come with a friend and get 2 for £30, Please contact her via facebook or instagram @spraytanbylarris

We are also planning a prom shop after half term, we have a selection of prom dresses and suits that will be on sale for £5. Some have only been worn once, some never at all.

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Respect: Vency P, Tegan D, Ruby W

Aspiration: Leila K, Millie W, Akindu K

Resilience: Mimi B, Lily T, Uyi O

Any enquiries, please contact year11enquiries@theacademy.me

Mrs Leach and the Year 11 Team



Year 12 Inspiration Programme

As part of the Inspiration Programme, the Year 12 students visited Wind Mill Hill Archives at the Waddesdon Manor on Wednesday, the 19th January. This was a rare opportunity to view Baron Rothchild's Artwork collection, discuss the finer points with an expert. They also visited Flint Cottage which is made with locally acquired materials and is environmentally friendly.



Thank you for all your support