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PARENT BULLETIN 4 20th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Although it has been hot this week it looks like the weather is on the turn. Please remember to send your child with a coat each day as we always get fresh air when we can.

The clubs this week have been a huge success and we are so pleased to see so many children trying new activities. Please ensure that you update the office if your child is being collected by someone who is not on their normal collection list.

Yesterday we said thank you and goodbye to Mrs Steedman who retired after 24 years here at AVA (formally Quarrendon School). She was overwhelmed with the gifts and wishes and has asked me to pass on her thanks to all the children and families who have made her feel so special. She will be greatly missed by us all. We wish her lots of luck as she moves to the coast.

Today we had our first fire drill of the academic year. We prepared the children in class for this to ensure that all felt safe and knew the procedure. We were super impressed with the way that the children conducted themself in such an important process.

We understand that sometimes it is hard to get the correct sizes of uniform over the summer break for children to return to school in. We are now approaching the 3rd week of term and expect all children to have both school uniform and school PE kit. Fashion items such as hoodies and football kits are not school uniform and will not be able to be worn in school.

Please could you remind your child of this and ensure that they are left at home.

Open Evening

Our annual Open Evening on Tuesday 1st October, and the school will close early on this day. Timings are as follows:

Preschool - closed all day.

Reception - collection at 1.00pm

Year 1 & 2 - collection at 1.10pm

Year 3, 4,5 & 6 - collection at 1.20pm

All children will have lunch as normal before they are dismissed.

There is no after school club on this day, these sessions have been cancelled and credited back to the School Gateway account. Breakfast club will be running as normal on this day.

Insets

We have an Inset day (25th Oct) for the whole school and Preschool. We will not be taking phone calls or responding to emails during this period or over the half term.

Preschool is closed on the 24/25th September for staff training.

Scooters and Bicycles

Please can we ask the electric scooters are not ridden on school grounds these cause a significant risk to children and parents entering and exiting the site.

Please can we also ask that scooters and bicycles are not ridden in the playground or in the car park at drop off and collection. We have scooter bays and bike sheds to put these in when you enter school grounds.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will be Tuesday 22nd October and Thursday 24th October. This is a face to face meeting with the class teacher and is booked via the School Cloud system.

More information about the system will be sent out nearer the time along with timings of when the link is live to book but we wanted to advise in advance of the dates to allow for childcare and work arrangements.

Reflection



As a whole academy this week we continued to focus on the our school value of RESPECT. For our reflection this week I wanted to share the lyrics from a song we enjoyed in our Primary Phase assemblies. The words are a simple but a effective reminder about why we are all important and deserve respect...

> Nobody's a nobody believe me 'cos it's true. Nobody's a nobody especially not you! Nobody's a nobody and God wants us to see, That everybody's somebody and that means even me! I'm no cartoon I'm human I have feelings treat me right. I'm not a superhero with super strength and might. I'm not a mega pop star or super athlete, But did you know I'm special in-fact I'm quite unique!

> > John Hardwick© 1993 Daybreak Music Ltd.

Wishing you a restful weekend

Best wishes.

Mrs C Baughan

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