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# PARENT BULLETIN 35 21st June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had the busiest week so far of the school year.

It has been sports week and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Granville, Miss Large and all of the visitors that have helped us in school this week.

Another fantastic visit from Safari Stu who showed all the Reception children his spiders, snakes and creepy crawlies. The Reception children and staff had a wonderful time!



The Preschool children have enjoyed lots of outdoor activities this week, and some wanted to have a go at football with the professionals! They did brilliantly!

Thank you to the many parents that joined us in school yesterday evening for our secondary transfer meeting for year 5. We will circulate the PowerPoint that we used to all year 5 parents, next week. Please remember that if you want to withdraw your child from the 11+ in September you must do this in writing (email is fine). We hope you found the evening informative, if you need any additional support, please contact me via the office

The weather forecast for next week looks very hot. Please ensure your child comes to school appropriately prepared. This should include a water bottle, hat and with suncream applied.

On Tuesday, we have our key stage 1 and two sports 2 the timings are as follows:

Year 1,2,3 = 9.30am-11.00am

Year 4,5,6 = 1.00pm-2.30pm

On Wednesday, we have our reception sports day from 9 am until 10 am.

Can I take this opportunity to remind you that we encourage fun participation whilst managing competition. Please support and cheer for all of our children, some find activities such as sports days overwhelming, especially with a large audience. Some children do not have a grown-up who can support them on these days and for this reason we remind you that the children remain with us in our care during all of the events. By all means wave, cheer and encourage the children, but please, do not ask them to come over to you. It is important that all children remain safe and therefore we ask that you respect our organisation of these events.

To celebrate World Music Day this week, we were delighted to welcome Rory from *I Rock* into our singing assembly on Wednesday! The children sang along with him, and clapped along as he performed on the drums, keyboard and guitar. He then selected four children at random to come up to the front, and each were given an instrument to play the chorus of 'We Will Rock You'! These children had never played the instrument before and within five minutes, picked up the chorus amazingly! We all sang with Tara as Maddie (drums), Ashton (keyboard) and Logan (guitar) played the chorus perfectly – we were so proud of their skill and their bravery! Your child came home with a letter from *I Rock* earlier this week, as they are able to come into school from September to run Rock Band music lessons. If your child is interested, please do sign up and we will send more information when we receive it from them.



This week we have had the opportunity to try out a range of different sports as well as practise for out upcoming sports days!

On Monday children tried out badminton, Tuesday we welcomed JWT from Aylesbury Tennis club. Wednesday, we held a KS2 football tournament and welcomed Jack and Nick from YDP in, Thursday had Eddie and Tyler visit from Oxford United- they told us all about playing at Wembley, we also had Debbie and Laura from Stoke Mandeville stadium in to speak about water safety.

Today we have finished the week by celebrating Olympic and Paralympic day trying out different sports and learning about the Olympic values.



The children have had busy weekend we have been very impressed with their determination and resilience in trying out new sports.

Next week is Sports day. On Tuesday please can all children Years 1-6 come into school in their school PE kit and on Wednesday Reception to come into school in their PE kit. They will also need a hat, a water bottle and be wearing sun cream.



Next week your child will receive a letter (on Friday) stating your child's new class and teacher for September. We will be holding our transition morning on Tuesday 2nd July. All children will meet their new teacher and spend time in their new classroom.

From 3:30 pm until 4:30 pm on Tuesday 2nd July you are invited into the school to meet your child's new teacher and see where they will be learning in the new school year. The classes have been carefully considered with all children's friendship choices taken into account, every child has a friend with them that they have identified that they wish to stay with. These processes help the children get used to transition and especially as they move up to secondary school.

On Wednesday, our very own Miss Parker went to London to present in front of many other schools at the Pixl conference. Miss Parker looks after our primary data and assessment and was invited to help other teachers and leaders improve their practice. This was a huge privilege and helped to put AVA primary on the map. Well done to Miss Parker, we are extremely proud of you.

## **Young Writers Competition**

Months and months ago, Year 4 entered a poetry writing competition about dreams and we finally have books and certificates to show off their hard work.

The children opted in to write a poem about dreams of any kind and we were lucky enough to have 14 pupils all win their chance to have their writing published in a book! We are very proud of them and this massive achievement.

We are currently taking in entries for another writing competition called "Ancient Adventures" and the children have already taken home entry forms if they wanted to take part.

Please give all entries back to Miss Russell by **10<sup>th</sup> July** at the latest to be sent off or follow the instructions on the entry form to enter online. If you would like more information please speak to the Year 4 staff who will be happy to give your child an entry form.

Well done Year 4!

#### **Book Fair**

**Saturday 22nd June 2024** – Scholastic Book Fair and pre-loved uniform

We are hosting our final Scholastic Book Fair of this academic year on Saturday 22nd June 2024. The fair will be held in the Primary Hall from 9am – 12pm. Please remember that book sales are card only. We will also be selling pre-loved uniform items during this event. Uniform items are cash only and we will be taking donations for them.

We look forward to seeing many of you there!

# **Price increases**

All the systems will be updated over the summer, but we wanted to give advance notice of these increases to prepare our parents that are impacted most.

- Our hot meals will increase from £2.65 to £2.85 per meal.
- Our enrichment clubs (those run by staff) will increase from £1 per session to £1.50 per session
- Our wrap around care will increase as follows:
- Breakfast club £4.00 per child per session to £4.50 per child per session.
- Wrap around until 4.30 will increase from £5 per child per session to £5.50 per child per session.
- Wrap around until 6.00 will increase from £10 per child per session to £10.50 per child per session.



#### Reflection

A Reflection for Sports Week.

This week the AVA community in both Primary and Secondary Phases have come together to celebrate and enjoy sport. There is so much that all young people can gain from school sport – connecting with others, developing important life skills and improving both their physical and mental health. As we end the week, and look forward to both the final stages of the Euros and both the Olympics and Paralympics later this

summer, we invite you to join us in a prayer for Sport...

A Prayer for Sport...

Dear God.

Amen

Take our passion for sport, may it light up with your love.

Turn the hours of training and commitment into sporting excellence that brings inspiration to others.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine.

Best wishes.

## Mrs C Baughan

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