



STOCKLAKE PARK SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN – Friday 22nd March 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Message from the Head of School:

Classes have been trying to make the most of the small breaks in the rain to get out into the community and out into the playground. It's lovely to see the outdoor equipment being used.

I have just had information shared about Wheels for All, accessible biking, which is on Saturdays in Marlow and Sundays in Aylesbury. I wouldn't normally advertise other organisations, but I have been asked about any inclusive cycling opportunities locally, and these are the people who came into school last Summer.

https://www.activeinthecommunity.org.uk/wheels-for-all/?fbclid=IwAR36vlgHx17-btJl5RT491_CbaSt1MjY_uwmbgdqUYookxZux3t_DYdOLhY



The HPV vaccination clinic is coming into school for Year 8 students on 23rd April. Please make sure that you have completed the relevant permissions ahead of this.

Rhonda

Comic Relief Update:

Thank you for everyone who supported us for our Comic Relief Coffee Morning. It was great to see smiling faces whilst raising money for such a worthy cause.

We have a good selection of dried and canned goods building up for the Trussell Trust and will be collecting until Wednesday 27th March, where we will then deliver this to the food bank. So far, we have raised £94.10! What an achievement!



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Get to know your Governors:

Dave Pearce - Chair of the Governing Board

I've lived in and around Aylesbury for nearly 40 years, having first moved here for work in the mid-1980s. Since 1997, I have lived in Buckingham, with my wife Cathy, and, until fairly recently, our four children – they're now living and working in different parts of the country, though still come home regularly and still manage to eat everything in sight within a few hours!

I was first asked to consider becoming a school Governor in the summer of 2021, just after I'd retired after 35 years of working in a variety of jobs in the Financial Services industry. At the time I was looking at various ways in which I could make a contribution to the local community in the Aylesbury and north Buckinghamshire area, and in particular doing something to help children get the best out of their time at school and to fulfil their potential.

With one of our sons having special needs, and having attended Booker Park around 15 years ago, I've wanted to do what I can to help such children and their families.

So, when I was asked to become a Governor at the Vale Federation, I jumped at the chance and joined the Governing Board in September 2021, and then a year later found myself becoming Chair of the Board.

Since becoming a Governor, I've been struck by the wide range of subjects which Governors are involved with. The size of the Federation, with its 350 children and even more members of staff, has been a real eye-opener, as has the number of different roles, departments and activities which go together to ensure that our two schools function effectively, and provide the children and young people with a caring, friendly, safe and secure environment in which to develop their skills and help them to achieve their full potential.

I have been particularly impressed by the quality of the senior leadership team and staff throughout the Federation, and their commitment to do their absolute best to help our children and young people and their families.

As Governors we do focus on a wide range of topics, which vary throughout the year – most recently among other things I've been reviewing and approving annual financial reports which the schools have to submit to the Local Authority, considering the findings and recommendations from the Safeguarding Review, reviewing several updated policies, and looking at the current position with staff recruitment and retention, as well as visiting both Booker Park and Stocklake Park. You can read more about what your Governing Board is doing in our termly letter.

You will have seen the note from Becky, our Vice-Chair, in last week's Parent Bulletin, and from time to time there'll be short notes from other Governors appearing in the Bulletin to help you to get to know a little about each of the Governors and what we're all up to.

As well as being a Governor, I have a range of other interests, including travelling and visiting places with the family, watching Cheltenham Town try to play football, church bellringing, running and doing my best to play golf!

I do really enjoy being a Governor - it's a hugely rewarding role and a real honour and privilege to have the opportunity to contribute to our wonderful schools which do so much good for our children and young people and their families.

If you'd like to learn more about the role of the Governing Board, or if you're interested in becoming a Governor, please do let me or one of the other Governors know.

Many thanks,
Dave

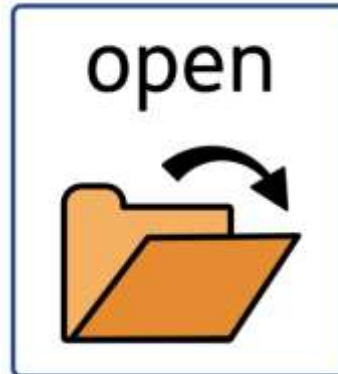


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Signs of the Week:



This is the generic sign for open, the sign will differ for book, drink etc.

Makaton Update:



Makachat Café

When: Thursday 28th March 2024

9:45am – 11.00am

Where: Stocklake Park School.

Come and learn Makaton with Denyse.

Meet some old friends, make some new friends, bring your friends, bring your family! Have a biscuit, chocolate, a cup of tea or coffee. Brush up on your Makaton skills or learn some new signs.

For more information please contact Denyse at: dcrain@thevoicefoundation.com



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WHIZZKIDZ

SEN Sessions

**First Friday of every
month**

6.00pm-7.30pm

All adults and carers free

To find out more, visit reception or call 01844 217555

Whizzkidz, 2 to 6 Jefferson Way, Thame, Oxon, OX9 3SZ. Website: www.whizzkidzthame.co.uk

Post 16 SEND Opportunities Showcase



**Wednesday 12th June between 3.30 - 6pm
at The Gateway, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury HP19 8FF**

Come along and find out more about the different programmes offered by a range of specialist Post 16 SEND providers for young people with an EHCP



Around 14 providers will be showcasing in a calm and spacious environment. There will be a wide range of opportunities on offer;

- animal, farm, sports, mechanics, e-sports and performing arts based learning, offering a range of qualifications
- personal development and individualised therapeutic programmes
- Supported Internships, employability programmes and volunteering

Suitable for young people from year 9 upwards with an active EHCP
No need to register - young people, parents / carers and professionals all welcome to drop in and chat to the providers

Any questions? sendneetteam@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

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Spring Term Theme: Trust and respect	
Date	Event
Thursday 28 th March	Makachat Café
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term
Easter Holidays 29 th March – 12 th April	
Tuesday 23 rd April	Year 8 HPV vaccination clinic

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Have a great weekend.

Bradley Taylor
Principal



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