# Dear Parent/Guardian,

## Message from the Head of School:

This week students had fun exploring aspects of construction: building walls, excavating sand, building towers, dressing up in PPE and after digging for fossils, they explored some dinosaurs.

Students also took part in RSE day on Thursday, exploring a carousel of activities focussed on changes and differences. Starting with baby dolls, to change and items related to babies, 3-foot-tall dolls to dress with age appropriate clothing, Next week we will be holding a school council meeting where students will explore voting ahead of the elections. We will not be talking politics, but thinking about students understanding that they can make choices.











Rhonda

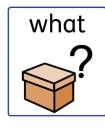
Head of School

## School meal ordering for next Half-Term



- The Arbor school meals ordering window will be **OPEN from 12.00pm to Monday 1**st **July to order all school meals** for the next half term (Thursday 5th September to Friday 25th October)
- Please access your school meals via the Arbor App or the online Arbor Portal to order your meal choice for your child's school meals
- The menu is available from our website <u>click here</u> to view. You can also view guidance notes for the Arbor system here.
- You can choose any meal for any day
- Payment of £3.00 per meal is to be paid via the Arbor App or Portal
- The meal ordering window for next half term CLOSES at 12.00pm Monday 8th July 2024

## Sign of the Week:





## **Mission Statement**

Together, overcoming barriers, enabling each child and young person to reach their full potential



# **Getting to know your Governors**

**Luke Askew** (Parent Governor)

#### About me:

I joined the Vale Federation Governing Board in May 2023. I have worked for over 25 years in the Sports & Leisure sector mainly in senior management roles, I'm currently leading a fitness complex in Prestwood alongside project work with local Councils/Charities across the M4/M40 corridor. My wife and I live in Aylesbury and our son has attended Booker Park School since Sep 2014, before then moving up to Stocklake Park School in Sep 2023. I am passionate about healthy communities, disability inclusion and a keen runner.

#### Why I became a Governor:

Our son was part of the Booker Park community for nearly nine years and will continue to be part of the Federation with Stocklake Park for many years to come. I felt that with our experiences as a Parent and my varied professional experience I could contribute to the Federation and help with supporting our amazing children.

#### What the role means to me:

It's been an interesting first year; I have enjoyed learning everyone's areas of expertise and attending all of the committees to gain a better understanding of how the board works and the ways in which we can support the Federation. I am keen to use my learning experiences from this first year and so have taken on Link roles to allow me to apply my skills and hopefully contribute to our ongoing improvements.

#### Areas of recent focus:

As the Governor linked with Health & Safety (alongside another Governor) it is our responsibility to help the governing body understand its importance, and how it contributes to the school's development, as well as being an advocate for effective health and safety practices that benefit both the school and its pupils. Since taking on the role I have completed initial tours of both schools including meeting with staff and observing health and safety practices as they take place.

#### **Future areas of focus:**

Expand my areas of focus within my role as a Governor, including identifying gaps in my knowledge and skills, to ensure I can effectively support the Governing Board. Ensure the termly visits of both schools are completed, to regularly observe health and safety practices and promptly feedback to the wider governing board for review.

### Vision

A future where every child achieves the greatest level of independence, enabling them to become a valued member of society



### **Student Update:**

In true Euro 2024 style, students and staff celebrated a hat trick of awards from Aylesbury in Bloom!

Last term students had the opportunity to engage in our Horticulture Carousel exploring themed sensory trays, engage in horticultural activities and found out about related job roles. The Aylesbury in Bloom judges came to view our outdoor learning spaces, wild spaces and planted pots and were blown away by the hard work and sense of joy around the school. Stocklake Park were awarded a silver award for wildlife garden, silver gilt award for recreational / learning garden and

best overall garden.





**Dates for Diary** 

Summer Term Theme: Excellence	
Date	Event
Wednesday 10th July	Parent event - Meet the Teacher
Tuesday 16th July	Sixth form achievement assembly 12.45pm - 2.30pm
Friday 19th July	Year 14 leavers prom 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Thursday 18th July	Makachat cafe
Tuesday 23rd July	Last Day of Term

Have a great weekend.

# Bradley Taylor Principal



Stocklake Park School Stocklake, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire HP20 1DP



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