



PARENT BULLETIN | 24TH APRIL 2026

SCHOOL NEWS

CLASS UPDATE

Angelou Class

Culinary Adventures



Angelou Class have been busy embarking on an exciting culinary adventure as part of their Life Skills learning. I've loved hearing about their plans to cook a range of different foods and treats from around the globe. So far, they've enjoyed Spanish breadsticks, with South African milk tart next on the menu. This work links brilliantly to our summer topic, Street Detectives, as students explore different cultures, foods, and places from around the world. It was fantastic to pop into the classroom and see their travel map, which helps them track their culinary adventures like true detectives, following clues and discoveries across the globe.

Hannah – Assistant Head & Careers Lead

Stocklake Park Students

Street Detectives with Big Dreams

Classes have been enjoying exploring our local community, linking their learning to the KS4 topic Street Detectives and the KS5 theme Be Bold, Be Brave, Dream Big. Students took on the role of real-life detectives, carefully looking, questioning, and making choices as they searched for examples of street art and graffiti.

During these walks, students shared their ideas about what they noticed, using words, symbols, gestures, and technology to express what they liked and how the artwork made them feel. This supported learning skills such as communication, curiosity, confidence, and engagement with the wider world.

Back in class, students reflected on their discoveries and used them as inspiration for their own graffiti-style creations, linked to our artist this term, Jean-Michel Basquiat. It has been brilliant to see students being bold with colour, lines, and mark-making, proudly showing their work and talking about the choices they made. The creativity, independence, and confidence shown by students has been fantastic to see.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Some lovely weather this week has coincided with the school's participation in the London Marathon. As per the letter sent home, groups are finding ways to cover their 2 mile distance over this week and next. Anything you can do to encourage this, including gaining sponsorship from friends and family, is much appreciated. The students appear to be enjoying completing the distance in various forms (including those in wheelchairs); keep your fingers crossed for continued good weather next week!

Our staff training this week focused on looking at what opportunities our students are getting within literacy, including phonics and reading. We are adopting the principles of Comprehensive Literacy for All – you might be interested to read more about this here:

<https://comprehensiveliteracy.com/>

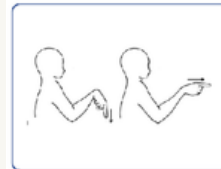
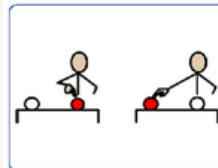
Have a great weekend,

Bradley

SIGN OF THE WEEK

Core Word

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SCHOOL MEALS ORDERING



SCHOOL MEAL ORDERING FOR NEXT HALF TERM:

The Arbor school meals ordering window will open on Friday 1st May to order all school meals for the next half term (Monday 1st June to Wednesday 22nd July 2026). The menus will be uploaded to our website shortly for you and you will then be able to order school meals via the Arbor app or the online Arbor portal.

A reminder that you will need to select a meal for each date that is required. If you do not order a school meal, this means that we will be expecting a home supplied packed lunch for that day. **The meal ordering window will close at 10am on Monday 11th May.**



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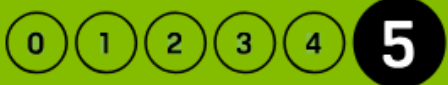
FOOD HYGIENE RATING - RATING 5 ACHIEVED AT STOCKLAKE!

We received a visit from the Local Food Standards Agency on the 5th of March, and they completed a spot check at Booker Park School.

We are proud to announce that we have been awarded another food hygiene **rating of 5**, the highest possible score. This reflects excellent standards of cleanliness, food handling, and overall food safety. This achievement highlights the dedication and professionalism of our catering team, who work hard every day to ensure safe, nutritious meals for our pupils.

We would like to thank our catering staff for their continued commitment and congratulate them on another fantastic achievement!

FOOD HYGIENE RATING



VERY GOOD

MATCH FUNDING - HELP RAISE MORE!



What is match funding?

Match funding is a brilliant way to double the money we raise at our school events – at no extra cost to you!

Many employers will match the amount their employees raise for charities like ours. So if you volunteer at a MASKS event or help with fundraising, your company could match the total raised – turning £100 into £200!

Which employers offer match funding?

A range of organisations take part, including banks, supermarkets, utility providers, and large employers. Well-known companies already participate, including:

Addison Lee, ASDA, Aviva, AXA, BMW, British Gas, DHL, Halifax, HSBC, Lloyds Bank, M&S, Morrisons, Nationwide, NatWest, Premier Inn, PwC, Royal Mail, Santander, Sky & Vodafone

Not sure if your employer is on the list? Simply ask your HR department – they'll be able to tell you if you're eligible.

How can you help?

Volunteer at one of our events (even just an hour makes a difference!)-Check whether your employer offers match funding. Submit a request through your workplace – it's usually a quick and easy form.

Why does it matter?

Match funding allows us to support our children even more, without asking families to donate extra money.

Thank you for helping us make every effort count!

MINI MARATHON - LET'S GET MOVING

It's Mini Marathon time again!

Children will be running, walking, scooting, wheeling or being pushed as they work together to complete 2 miles.

This year, we are joining Booker Park in taking part in the Mini Marathon, raising money for MASKS.

When?

The event will take place between Tuesday 21st April and Friday 1st May.

What will happen?

All classes/students will complete 2 miles

This can be achieved in any way that suits the individual child, such as:

Walking or running

Scooting

Swimming

Skipping

Being pushed in a wheelchair

Distances will be completed during the school day, in locations such as:

The playground

The MUGA

The local community

Sponsorship

A sponsorship form will be sent home, and we would be grateful for your support in helping us raise money for this important charity.

Certificates

Every child who completes their 2 miles will receive a certificate to celebrate their achievement.

Thank you for your continued support – let's get moving for a great cause!

INTERNATIONAL DANCE DAY

Look out for International Dance Day

We're excited to be celebrating International Dance Day on **Wednesday 29th April**, when students will be joined by the brilliant Alex Watson from Medley Dance. We've loved working with Alex in the past, and we know she'll bring lots of energy, enthusiasm, and joy to the day!



This session links perfectly to our Gatsby encounters, giving students the opportunity to work with an external professional and experience dance in a real-world context. Medley Dance is committed to providing a fun, inclusive, and nurturing environment where students can grow in confidence, develop their technique, and—most importantly—have lots of fun.

We're really looking forward to seeing our students get moving, express themselves, and enjoy dancing together as part of this special celebration!



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USEFUL INFORMATION

HS2

HS2 Works Notification: Notice of Aylesbury Road closures and traffic management

We are completing a water main connection and associated testing, general verge works and reinstatement. Please see the key information in relation to these works below:

Location:

Aylesbury Road, Waddesdon.
Between Waddesdon Hill junction and Waddesdon A41 roundabout.

Duration:

Monday 27 April to Saturday 23 May (including weekends).

Road closure 27 to 30 April, Road closure 6 and 15 May & Traffic lights at other times.

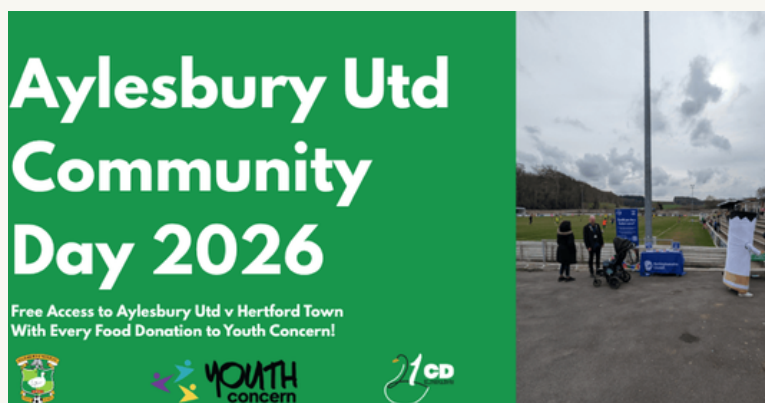
What to expect

- 24 hour full road closures and single lane closures along Aylesbury Road.
- A sign-posted diversion route will be in place during the full road closures.
- Temporary traffic lights will be in place during the single lane closures.

The footway will be closed for the full duration of the works with no pedestrian access available. For further information follow the [link](#). Find out what's happening in your area using the In Your Area pages of the HS2 website.

You can also view a map of your area, which includes any planned works in your area and a HS2 route map.

If you have a question about HS2 or our works, please contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on **08081 434 434** or email hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk



This **Saturday 25th April from 2pm at The Meadow, Chesham (Home of Aylesbury United FC)** - this family-focused event aims to bring fans and the local community together for a day of sport and charity. Entry is free for all who register in advance and donate a food or care item upon entry to Youth Concern, a local charity dedicated to supporting vulnerable young people aged 13-25 in Aylesbury Vale.

PLAY NOW

TO BOOST OUR FUNDRAISING

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- Help give our fundraising a boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Win up to £25,000

BUY TICKETS

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CALENDAR



Wednesday 29th April
International Dance Day

Friday 1st May
School Meal Ordering Opens
(Meals from Monday 1st June to Wednesday 22nd July 2026)

Monday 4th May
Bank Holiday

Monday 4th – Sunday 10th May
Deaf Awareness Week

Friday 8th May
VE Day

Monday 11th May
School Meal Ordering – Closes at 10am
(Meals from Monday 1st June to Wednesday 22nd July 2026)

Monday 11th – Sunday 17th May
Mental Health Week

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May
Sports Day Week

Wednesday 20th May
World Numeracy Day

Thursday 21st May
World Cultural Diversity Day

Friday 22nd May
Last Day of Term

Monday 1st June
Students return to school

Thursday 4th June
World Environmental Day

Tuesday 9th June
School Photographer

Wednesday 10th June
Parents' Evening

Friday 19th June
World Music Day – Summer Jam (All Day)

Friday 3rd July
School Art Gallery

Tuesday 7th/Wednesday 8th July
County Transitions

Tuesday 14th July
6th Form Celebration Assembly

Friday 17th July
6th Form Leavers Prom

Wednesday 22nd July
Last Day of Term



Have a great weekend.

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