



PARENT BULLETIN | 24TH APRIL 2026

SCHOOL NEWS

CLASS UPDATE

MINI MARATHON IS UNDERWAY

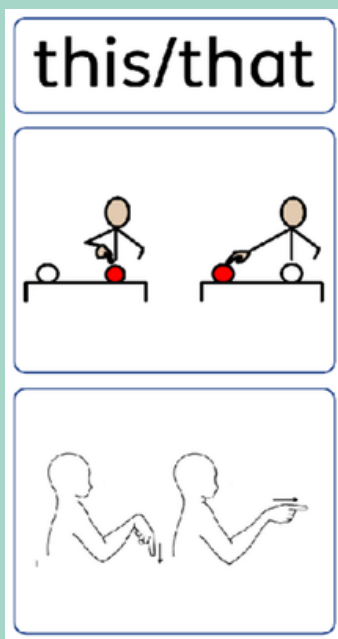
We are now a week into our Mini Marathon, and the children are doing an amazing job working towards their 2-mile goal! They've been walking, running, scooting, swimming and finding lots of creative ways to clock up their miles. Keep an eye on Evidence for Learning to see all the wonderful activities they've been taking part in as they make progress. A huge thank you to everyone who has already donated. Your support means so much. If you haven't donated yet but would like to, please use the QR code and link below. Thank you for cheering everyone on!



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SIGN OF THE WEEK

Core Word



MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL

We have been fortunate to enjoy some drier, milder weather this week, which has been perfect timing as many of our classes have been taking part in their Mini Marathon. Each child is working towards completing a two-mile course, in a way that suits them best. This may be by running, jogging, walking, wheeling, swimming or skipping. Some children may complete the distance in one go, while others will build it up over several days.

If you are able to support this event by sponsoring your child, it would be very much appreciated. Thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

Classes will be adding pictures of children participating in the Mini Marathon event to Evidence For Learning. If you have any difficulties with Evidence For Learning, please do let me know by emailing me on mmurphy@thevalefederation.com

Have a good weekend.

Marianne

DANCE FESTIVAL AT BOOKER PARK

At the end of last half-term, the halls of Booker Park School were filled with music, colour, and incredible energy as our pupils stepped into the spotlight for a very special Dance Festival in support of Comic Relief. All children came together to share their creativity and joy through dance, all while raising money for an important cause that helps change lives across the UK and around the world. The festival captured the spirit of Booker Park School perfectly: inclusive, supportive, and full of celebration. Smiles, laughter, and applause filled the hall, creating a beautiful atmosphere of togetherness. Thanks to the generosity of our school community, the event raised a fantastic amount for Comic Relief. Every donation helps support vulnerable families, provide vital mental health services, and create opportunities for young people across the country. We want to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported the festival—parents, carers, staff, and especially our brilliant pupils. Booker Park School is incredibly proud of each and every dancer.





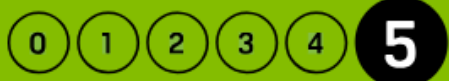
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FOOD HYGIENE RATING – RATING 5 ACHIEVED!

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

LEAVERS HOODIES

For those children who are moving on at the end of this academic year, there is an opportunity to purchase a leavers hoodie. There is a choice of 2 colours you can choose from and also the option to personalise it with your child's name. The blue box around the logo will not be there when the hoodie goes to print. Please use the link provided. Any problems please contact Kelly Job. The closing date will be **1st June** so that all hoodies ordered can be delivered the week after.

[Booker Park Leavers Hoodie 2026 – The Print Lab Printing & Embroidery Services in Aylesbury](#)



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.**

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 wide range of organisations take part, including companies such as banks, supermarkets, utility providers, and large employers. Many well-known companies already take part, 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!





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CALENDAR



Friday 1st May

School Meal Ordering Opens

(Meals from Monday 1st June to Wednesday 22nd July 2026)

Monday 4th May

Bank Holiday

Friday 8th May

VE Day

Monday 11th May

School Meal Ordering - Closes at 10am

(Meals from Monday 1st June to Wednesday 22nd July 2026)

Friday 22nd May

Last Day of Term

Monday 1st June

Pupils return to school

Monday 8th June

Leap Department Sports Day

(Chaffinch, Firecrest, Owl, Parrot, Puffin, Red Kite & Starling)

Tuesday 9th June

Early Risers Department Sports Day

(Sparrow, Woodpecker & Wagtail)

Wednesday 10th June

Hope Department Sports Day

(Bluebird, Dove, Goldfinch, Heron, Hummingbird, Jay & Skylark)

Thursday 11th June

Spark Department Sports Day

(Blackbird, Jackdaw, Kingfisher, Magpie, Penguin, Swan & Swift)

Friday 12th June

High Risers Department Sports Day

(Raven, Wren, Robin & Nightingale)

Wednesday 8th July

Meet The Teacher

Thursday 9th July

New Parent Morning

Monday 13th July

Leavers Trip

Tuesday 14th July

Leavers Disco

Wednesday 15th July

Leavers Assemblies (10.30am - 1.30pm)

Thursday 16th July

Transition Hour - 1.30pm to 2.30pm

Wednesday 22nd July

Last Day of Term

USEFUL INFORMATION

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.

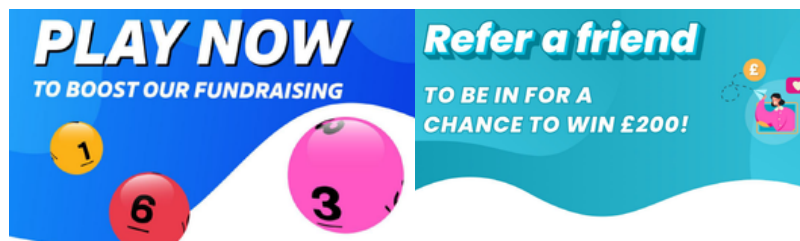
What to expect

- 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.



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

- An extra way to support the lottery!
- Win a £200 Amazon gift card
- Entry into our exclusive monthly bonus draw
- Refer more friends for more entries!

BUY TICKETS

Refer a friend



Have a great weekend.

Bradley Taylor, Principal

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