

September Parent Post

Welcome to our first Parent Post of the new academic year! 😊

We hope you had a fantastic summer and that your children have had a smooth and positive start to the term. A warm welcome to all our new Reception families — we hope you're settling in nicely.

Staffing

Here is a list of the class teachers for each year group this year. For a complete staff list, please visit the school website under Our School > Meet Our Team.

Nursery: Mrs Stewart

Reception: Mrs Amin (Team Leader), Miss Mitchell, Mrs Connick, Miss Street

Year 1: Mrs Gaunt (Team Leader), Miss Carter, Miss Gilbert

Year 2: Miss Venn, Miss Harrison, Mr Stykuc-Dean

Year 3: Miss Burgoyne, Miss Davis, Mrs Stocks, Miss Acres

Year 4: Mrs Morrissey (Team Leader), Mr Stocks, Miss Bateman

Year 5: Miss O'Reilly, Miss Zalewska, Mrs Chivers, Miss Cheshire (Trainee Teacher)

Year 6: Mrs Cullimore (Team Leader), Mrs Short, Mrs Mahmood, Mrs Fursse-donn-Wood, Mrs Blunden

During staff PPA (Planning, Preparation, and Assessment time), cover will be provided by a team of staff including Mr Harding, Miss Whitehead, Mrs Allen, Miss Lopez, Mrs Bounds, Mrs Stocks, Mrs Compton, Miss Davis, Mrs Rogers and Mrs Russel,

Admin Team in the School Office: Mr Copas and Miss Whitlam

Allergy Awareness

We love celebrating birthdays with our children and helping them to feel special on their big day. However, we kindly ask that parents and carers do not send sweets, cakes, chocolates or any other food items into school for children to share as birthday treats. For clarity, this also includes birthday treats that parents or carers bring to school to hand out to children at the end of the school day.

As an allergy-aware school, we have a responsibility to consider the health and safety of every child. Some children have food allergies or intolerances, and even very small amounts of an allergen can cause a serious reaction. It is also not always possible to know exactly what ingredients are contained in food products or whether they may have come into contact with allergens during manufacturing. We also want to ensure that no child feels excluded or singled out because they are unable to eat a particular food.

Please be assured that we will continue to make birthdays special for our children in other ways and will celebrate their special day with them in school. 🍷 Thank you for your understanding and for helping us to keep all of our children safe and included.

Attendance

We track every child's attendance on a weekly basis. A reminder explaining how and why we do this will be shared with you soon. A quick reminder that we have a dedicated email address for all matters related to attendance. Please use attendance@ashmeadschool.org.uk for the following:

- To report your child's absence (you can still call us on 01296 484434 if you prefer)
- To inform us about any medical appointment or holidays during term time
- For any questions or queries regarding attendance

PE Kit Reminders



Children across Years 1-6 are looking fantastic in their 'house' PE tops! As the weather gets cooler, please ensure your child also wears black jogging bottoms and a plain black sweater, top, or hoodie to keep warm during PE sessions.

On PE days, children should come to school wearing their full PE kit.

Healthy Diaries

We've had a great start to the term, with **21** Bronze healthy diaries being completed already! Congratulations to **Year 3** who are (at the moment) the most active year group.

Remember, any extra 30 minutes of activity that your child does, goes towards your child's award. When your child has completed their diary they can bring it to Miss Venn and they will be awarded their badge and new diary in assembly!

If you have any photographs or sporting achievements of your child that you would like to share with the school, please email them to the school's office and they will be published on our website.

Year	Bronze
Year 1	3
Year 2	4
Year 3	5
Year 4	2
Year 5	5
Year 6	2
	21
% whole school	4%

Car Park Safety Reminder

A gentle reminder to parents and carers that the staff car park entrances and car park should not be used as a pedestrian route when dropping off or collecting children from Breakfast Club or After School Club.

We have noticed an increasing number of adults and children walking across the car parks, particularly at drop-off time. This can be very busy, with vehicles entering and leaving the site, so we ask that everyone uses the designated pedestrian routes and does not walk through the car park.

We also kindly remind parents and carers not to park in or block the car park entrance, as this needs to remain clear for vehicles accessing the site.

Important Reminders

Earrings and PE/Swimming

For health and safety reasons, children should not wear jewellery to school. The only exceptions are for children with pierced ears, who may wear small stud earrings, and any jewellery needed for medical reasons. To ensure everyone stays safe during PE lessons, earrings must either be removed completely or securely covered with tape. Please keep in mind that our staff are not permitted to remove or tape children's earrings.

If your child wears earrings, please ensure they can either remove them independently or leave them at home on PE days. Alternatively, if they cannot be removed yet, please make sure they are securely taped before arriving at school.

Toys, Fidgets and Pencil Cases 🧸

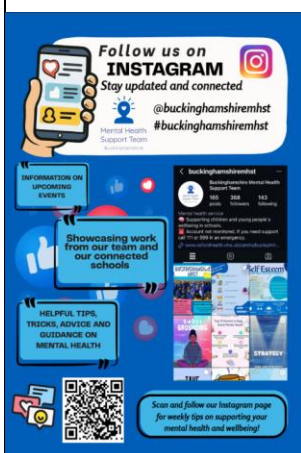
Children should not bring toys, fidgets or pencil cases into school, unless specifically requested by a member of staff. We understand that these items can be important to children, but they can be distracting and can also become lost or damaged. We have resources available in school where fidgets or other sensory items are appropriate.

Please Name All Belongings 🏷️

Please make sure that all of your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name, including coats, jumpers, water bottles, lunch boxes and PE kits.

This makes it much easier for us to return lost items to their rightful owners. Unfortunately, if an item is not named and becomes lost, it will not find its way home!

📱 Follow Bucks MHST on Instagram!



We're pleased to share the Bucks Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Instagram page with our families.

The page is a great way to stay connected with the MHST and keep up to date with the support, activities and work taking place across our schools.

By following the page, you can expect to see:

- 🧠 Helpful tips, advice and guidance to support children and young people's mental health and wellbeing
- 📅 Information about upcoming events, activities and opportunities
- 🏡 Updates and highlights from the MHST's work in schools

Why not give them a follow and stay connected with the Bucks MHST

Up and coming diary dates

Autumn Term

Wednesday 14th October – flu vaccines

Friday 16th October – Break up for half term

Monday 2nd November – Return to school

Monday 2nd November - School Photos

Tuesday 3rd November - School Photos

Thursday 19th November - Parents Evening (Day 1)

Friday 20th November - Children in Need

Wednesday 25th November - Parents Evening (Day 2)

Thursday 3rd December - Twice Treasured Shop

Friday 4th December - Twice Treasured Shop

Friday 18th December – Autumn Term ends (2pm finish)

Spring Term

Monday 4th January – School starts for the spring term

Friday 12th February – Break up for half term

Monday 22nd February – Return to school

Thursday 4th March - World Book Day

Thursday 25th March – Spring Term ends (2pm finish)

A poster for Aylesbury Tamil Kalvikoodam for the 2026-2027 academic year. It features the school's logo at the top right. The text is in English and Tamil. It states that new classes for the academic year begin on 05/09/26. The school's mission is to educate, promote and preserve Tamil culture among its diaspora Tamil children. It mentions an improved, technologically-advanced curriculum (including app) that makes Tamil easy to learn for children. It also states that this is the only curriculum to be used in 12 countries, taught by experienced teachers. In the final examinations held last year, the majority of students achieved 'High Distinction' and 'Distinction' grades. The poster encourages unity through the Tamil language, which is the root of all the arts. The contact information is: Saturday 09:00 am, Broughton Junior School, 37 Parton Rd, Aylesbury, HP20 1NG. A QR code is provided for more information. The contact details are: Get in touch today, 07810 205335, office@aylesburytamilkalvikoodam.org.uk.

Summer Term

Monday 12th April – School starts

Monday 3rd May – Bank Holiday

Monday 10th – Thursday 13th May – Year 6 SATs Week

Friday 28th May – Break up for half term

Monday 7th June – Return to school

w/b 14th June – Year 1 Phonics Screening check and Year 2 re-takes

Tuesday 6th July - Transition Day

Wednesday 21st July – School finishes for the Summer Term (2pm finish)

Teacher Training



Teacher Training Information
event.

You have a degree but are
feeling confused about the
routes available to becoming a
teacher?

Come and talk to us!

Information session followed by
Q & A

**Wed 30th Sept
2026**

6:30 - 7:30 pm

The Kingsbrook School,
Aylesbury HP22 7BR





Your experience is an asset.

You have the knowledge, the drive, and a career's worth of real-world experience.

Now?

It's time to share it.



If you have a degree and want to Train to Teach, come along to our information evening:

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