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BVS FORTNIGHTLY

Fortnightly news update from Bure Valley School



MESSAGE FROM MR OLNEY, HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Bure Valley School Community,

As we draw the curtains on another remarkable term, I find myself reflecting on the myriad achievements and experiences that have shaped our journey together. The heartbeat of our school community continues to pulse with vigour, driven by the collective efforts of our pupils, staff, and families.

Recently, we welcomed Ofsted inspectors into our school, an opportunity that reinforced our confidence in the quality of education we provide. The process was illuminating, offering us valuable insights and affirming our commitment to excellence. While we eagerly anticipate sharing the full outcomes with you in due course, I can say with certainty that the experience has sharpened our focus on our strengths and future areas for development.

As we look ahead, the horizon brims with promise and potential. The coming term will see our colleagues embarking on a collaborative journey with our Key Stage 1 counterparts at John of Gaunt School. This initiative aims to create a more seamless educational experience across both institutions, while steadfastly preserving the unique character and strengths of each school. It's a delicate balance of continuity and individuality that we're excited to navigate.

In a moment of particular pride, I'm thrilled to announce that Bure Valley has been selected as a Lead School for the Norfolk and Suffolk Music Hub for 2025-2026. This recognition is a testament to the exceptional quality of our music curriculum and the dedication of our staff in nurturing musical talent. It also presents an exciting opportunity for us to share our expertise and support other schools in their musical journeys.

None of these accomplishments would be possible without the unwavering commitment of our staff. Their dedication, resilience, and passion for education have been nothing short of inspirational. To our excellent team, I extend my heartfelt gratitude and admiration.

As we prepare for the summer term, I kindly remind you that Tuesday, 22nd April 2025, is an INSET day, with pupils returning to school on Wednesday, 23rd April. The summer term promises to be action-packed, brimming with events and activities that showcase the vibrant life of our school community. I encourage you to keep a close eye on communications regarding key dates and school events.

In closing, I want to express my profound appreciation for your continued support and engagement. Together, we are crafting an educational experience that not only prepares our pupils for academic success but also nurtures them as individuals ready to make their mark on the world.

Here's to a restful break and an exhilarating summer term ahead!

Jamie Olney
Headteacher



ATTENDANCE WATCH

Our target school attendance figure is 96%

Our current figure is 94.4%

Our class of the week is: Spain with 95.8%

NEWS

25 HALOS

Luna Mae D Belgium
Kane G Greece
Eva N Belgium
Amelia E Japan
Ella D Belgium
Grace T Belgium
Milo B Spain
Oscar M Spain
Octavia A Brazil
Emily T Spain

50 HALOS

Martha D France
Wilfred C France
Harvey N France

Well done everyone!

UPCOMING DATES

4 April Term Ends

23 April Summer term begins

5 May Bank Holiday Monday - school closed

12 May Year 6 SATS week

21 May Family Learning day

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Breakfast and Tea Club

BVS B&T club is proving very popular and we love to welcome the children at both. There is an increasing number of children turning up to each club however who haven't been booked in. Due to staffing ratios & safeguarding, it is essential that you book a place in advance for your child using ParentPay.

We have limited spaces and have the right to refuse any child who hasn't been booked in.

We thank you for your support with this matter.

Sports report

Two of our pupils from year 5 Nathaniel E and Rhys D played in the Prima Cup at Leicester Tigers. Nathaniel captained the team for the first match against Barnsley. They played brilliantly and won. Next up were Huddersfield, where they unfortunately lost by one try after 2 very dodgy referee decisions!!

Both boys put so much passion and effort into their playing and we are very proud of them.





Kingswood 2025

Year 4 children recently had a fabulous time at Kingswood in Overstrand!

They took part in some exciting activities including Campfires, Bouldering, Nightline, Jacobs ladder and buggy building. The children were able to test out their problem solving skills and overcome some of their fears!

"My favorite activity was the scavenger hunt because you got to go everywhere in the building and explore all the gardens. You also got to ask to the staff for help" Alena

"My favorite activity was the High Equilibrium because it was really fun and when you got to the top it was even more exciting" Eve H

We hope you enjoy these photos!











Kingswood 2025















School Uniform Update

Important Update Regarding School Uniform Sales

We would like to inform you of an important change regarding the sale of school uniforms. Due to unforeseen personal circumstances, Leopard Boutique in North Walsham, who has been our uniform supplier, has now closed.

We are pleased to announce that the Aylsham Learning Federation schools have purchased the stock and can now share the launch of our new online shop for ordering branded school uniform items. You can access the shop using the link below:

1 – click on this link:

Aylsham Learning Federation Uniform Shop

2 – or copy the below into your browser:

https://aylshamlearningfederation.myshopify.com

From now on, all branded uniform orders will be processed online, with set order cut-off dates and collection times through-out the year. After the Easter break, we will contact you again to confirm ordering and collection dates for the next 12 months. If you wish to purchase a branded jumper or cardigan in the coming weeks they will be available for collection at Aylsham High School on the following dates:

- Monday April 14th: 9:00am – 11:00 am
- Inset Day, Tuesday, 22nd April: 13:00pm – 15:00pm

Please ensure you provide your email address during the check-out process, as we will use it to communicate when your uniform is ready for collection.

After the Easter break, we will contact you again to confirm ordering and collection dates for the next 12 months.

A size guide is on the next page

TRUTEX

MADE TO LAST SCHOOLWEAR

WHAT'S MY SIZE?

A guide to choosing the right size...

Poloshirts & Sweatshirts

Size	Chest Size (inches)	Chest Size (cm)	Age Guide
1/2	18/19"	46-48cm	1-2yrs
2/3	19/20"	48-51cm	2-3yrs
3/4	20/22"	51-56cm	3-4yrs
5/6	22/23"	56-58cm	5-6yrs
7/8	23/25"	58-63cm	7-8yrs
9/10	25/27"	63-68cm	9-10yrs
XXS	28/30"	71-76cm	11yrs
XS	31/32"	79-81cm	12yrs
S	32/34"	81-86cm	13yrs
M	34/36"	86-91cm	14yrs
L	38/40"	96-102cm	15-16yrs
XL	42/44"	107-112cm	
XXL	46/48"	117-122cm	
XXXL	50/52"	127-132cm	

Sizing Guide

Click the link below to check out our quick and simple measuring guide explaining the correct and accurate way to measure your child for their Poloshirts and Sweatshirts.

Click Here

www.trutex.com



Aylsham Community Trust (Families) - A Celebration of its Work and Achievements over the Past Year.

 Wednesday 21st May 2025

 9.30 am

 Nurture Building, Aylsham High School, NR11 6AN

TACT (Families) is hosting its annual celebration of its achievements throughout the last year. TACT (Families) would like our help in highlighting the impact its work has had on our families.

We are seeking feedback from you regarding any support you may have received over the last twelve months. If you are passionate about the work of TACT Families, they are also looking for guest speakers who are happy to talk in person or on a pre-recorded video about the positive impact TACT Families has made on you and your family with its support.

If you have some feedback or would like to help, please contact the school office by telephone or email.

TACT Families charity is looking to grow its offer and support for the wider community. Stakeholder and future stakeholders hearing about the charities work first hand plays a big role in the charity seeking future funding which many of our families will benefit from.

Save The Date

THE AYLSHAM COMMUNITY TRUST (FAMILIES) CHARITY NUMBER 1205779

Save The Date

Family Learning Day

Saturday 21st June

10am - 2pm

Aylsham High School

Suitable for the whole family
Drop in for an hour or stay for the day
Children must be accompanied by an adult

FREE ADMISSION AND ACTIVITIES

Join us for a variety of FREE activities, including drumming workshops, a planetarium, encounters with exotic reptiles and meeting mini donkeys!

Adventure with Paddington Bear with activities at the Aylsham Reading Festival.

Our schools and local community groups will be offering a variety of science, sport, craft and fun activities.

Ovamill Ltd

Sponsored by The Rotary Club of Aylsham, Ovamill Ltd, Slow Food Aylsham and The Aylsham Show

Bure Valley School

Family Learning Afternoon

Parents, carers, grandparents, aunts, uncles, younger brothers and sisters are invited to join their child(ren) for an afternoon of jungle-themed art activities, inspired by the painting 'Surprised' by Henri Rousseau.



Wednesday 21st May

2pm -3pm

Arrivals from 1.45pm

Easter Hols at Cinema City



EASTER HOLIDAYS





Flow (U)
Screening daily

A Minecraft Movie (PG)
Screening daily

Minions (U) 10th Anniversary
Kids' Club - Sat 5 Apr, 11:00 Subtitled (Captioned)



Sylvanian Families The Movie (U)
Toddler Time - From Sat 5 Apr



Six The Musical (12A)
Sun 6 Apr, 13:45 & 16:15 Sun 8 Apr, 15:00 & 20:00

Tiddler (U)
Toddler Time - Tue 15 & Wed 16 Apr, 10:30

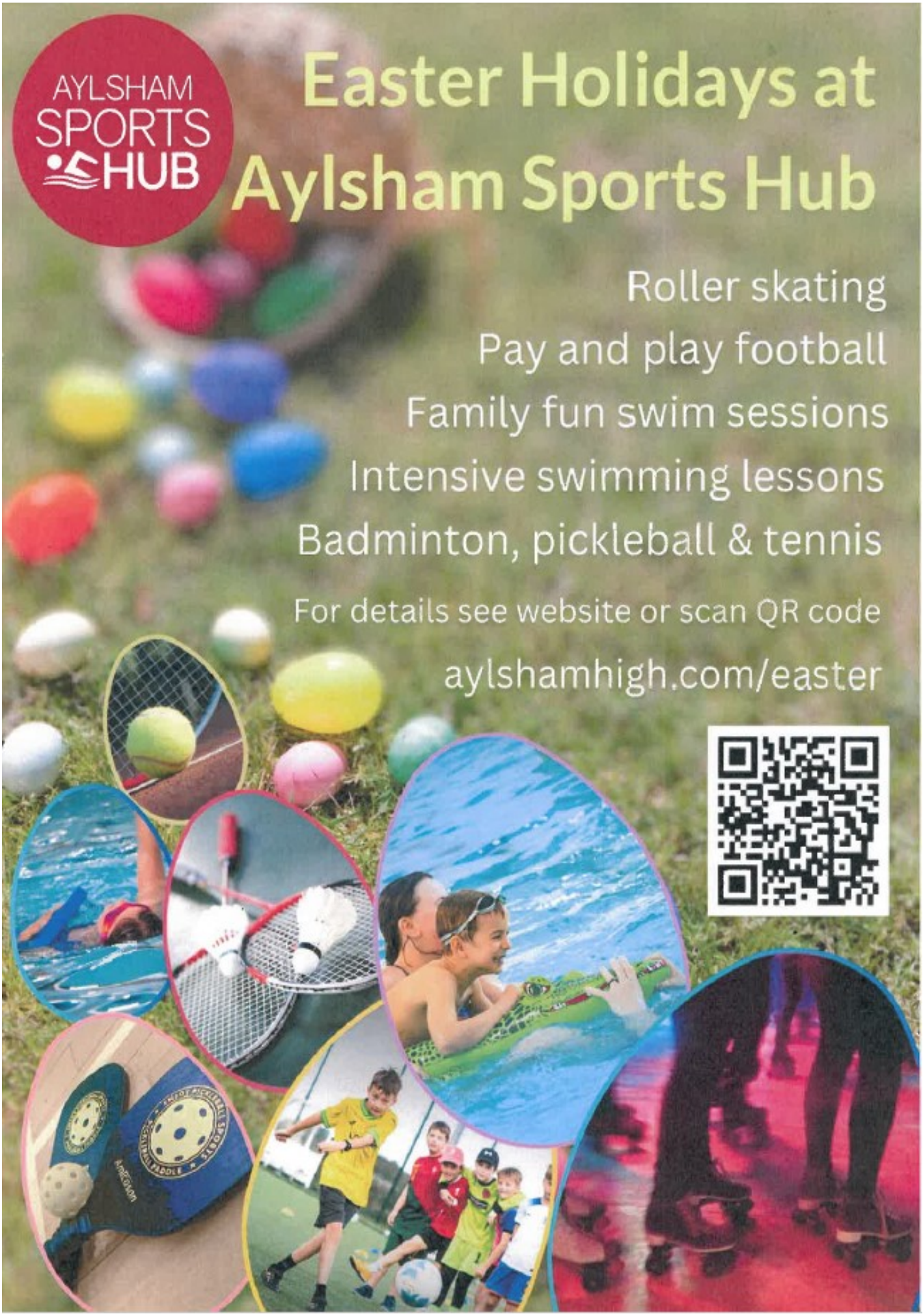
Wallace And Gromit: Curse Of The Were-Rabbit (U)
Kids' Club - Sat 19 Apr, 11:00
Relaxed Screening - Sun 20 Apr, 10:30





Picture house CinemaCity

www.picturehouses.com


AYLSHAM
SPORTS
HUB
Easter Holidays at
Aylsham Sports Hub
Roller skating
Pay and play football
Family fun swim sessions
Intensive swimming lessons
Badminton, pickleball & tennis
For details see website or scan QR code
aylshamhigh.com/easter

The Benjamin Foundation
Positive outcomes
for children, young people & families

Carers Matter Norfolk
SUPPORTING YOUNG CARERS & FAMILIES

Easter Young Carers Lego and Wellbeing Club

Monday 7th April

12.30pm to 2pm

Hellesdon Library, NR6 5QB

- Easter egg colouring activity
- For all young carers aged 8+ (under 8s will need to be supervised by an adult over 18)



- Working in partnership with Norfolk Libraries, let your imagination run free and enjoy spending time creating Lego structures whilst enjoying the surroundings of your local library
  - Computers will be available to use
  - Opportunity to become a library member and hear about what your library service has to offer....it's not just books!
  - Free hot drinks, biscuits and cookies
  - Wellbeing support literature available to borrow along with a young carer's reading list
- Support available from Rowena Cove (Young Carers Education and Community Worker)

No need to book but if you would like further information please contact rowena.cove@benjaminfoundation.co.uk

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