

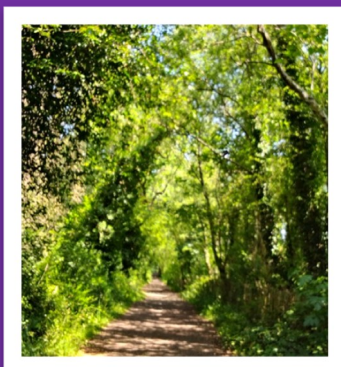


Summer Term 2

2025-2026



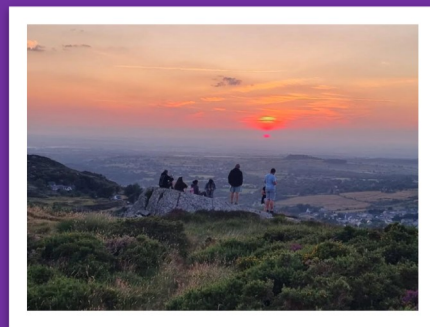
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Headteachers End of Year Message

Dear Parents, Carers, and Students,

As we reach the end of an incredibly busy and rewarding academic year, I want to reflect on our collective achievements and share some exciting updates.

First and foremost, I could not be prouder of our students. Whether in the classroom or in the community, their dedication, kindness, and resilience have shone through. Watching them grow this year has been an absolute privilege.



Celebrating Our Ofsted Inspection

One of our proudest moments was our recent Ofsted inspection. The fantastic results reflect the tireless hard work of our staff, the superb attitude of our students, and the invaluable support of our families. Thank you for partnering with us to achieve this success. You can view the inspection report on our website

Memorable Milestones & Unforgettable Trips

We have packed so much into the last academic year. Here are a few of the stand-out highlights:

- **The New Student Kitchen:** Opened in December, this dedicated space has been a massive hit. Led by the fantastic Mrs. Debbie, students have loved getting hands-on, developing practical culinary skills, and cooking up delicious dishes.
- **The Llanberis Residential (Wales):** Our outdoor adventure in Wales was unforgettable. Surrounded by stunning landscapes, students stepped out of their comfort zones, built lifelong friendships, and represented our academy magnificently.
- **Annual Reward Trip to Turkey:** Awarded to students with top behaviour points, our annual trip to Turkey was a roaring success—a wonderful, well-deserved opportunity for them to relax and explore.

Looking Ahead: Brand-New Flexispace for September!

We never stand still at VASE Academy. Over the summer break, work will begin on preparing our brand-new **Flexispace** unit. This dedicated facility will be used to deliver our vocational qualifications, offering students a brilliant, practical space to develop hands-on skills and prepare for the future. We cannot wait to welcome students into this new learning environment

Thank you once again for your incredible support throughout this busy year. I wish you all a safe, restful, and wonderfully sunny summer break.

Kind regards,

Mr M Majid

Headteacher and Proprietor

Introducing our New Leaders

We would like to introduce two new Key staff to V.A.S.E Academy.

Meet Mr D Hill – Deputy Headteacher and Behaviour Lead

Focus Areas: *Behaviour, Personal Development, Wellbeing & Attendance*

Mr. Hill joins us as alongside Mrs Umar as our Deputy Headteacher,. He will be working closely with staff and students to ensure our school remains a safe, happy, and thriving environment.

Mr. Hill will be leading on:

Wellbeing & Personal Development: Nurturing students' mental health, resilience, and life skills so they are fully prepared for the future.

Positive Behaviour & Attendance: Encouraging excellent attendance and reinforcing our positive school culture where everyone feels respected and ready to learn.



Meet Ms. S. Green – Assistant Headteacher and Inclusion Manager

We are also thrilled to welcome Ms. Green as our new Assistant Headteacher and Inclusion Manager. Ms. Green is passionate about equity in education and making sure that every single student—regardless of their starting point or individual needs—has the support they need to succeed.

Ms. Green will be leading on:

Inclusion & Support: Championing diverse learning needs and working closely with students, teachers, and families to remove barriers to learning.

Tailored Interventions: Coordinating specialist support to ensure all children can fully access our rich curriculum.

Designated Safeguarding Lead Updates

We want to share an important update regarding our safeguarding team starting this September.

Miss C Rigby, who is currently a Deputy DSL within our school, will be officially stepping into the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) role.

She will be supported by our Deputy DSLs, **Mr. I Sallu** and **Ms. S Green**.

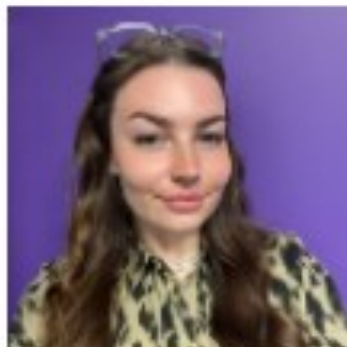
We are delighted to welcome Ms S Green into the DDSL role—she brings valuable previous experience to the position and is here to support all of our students.

We also want to extend a huge thank you to **Mr. A Hussain** for his incredible dedication as our previous lead DSL.

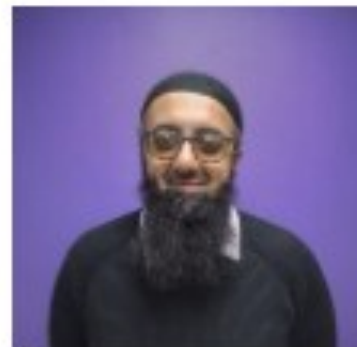
Most importantly, please remember that **all adults in our school are here to listen and talk**. If a child ever has a worry, big or small, they can always approach any member of staff they feel comfortable with.



Deputy DSL
Miss S Green



DSL
Ms C Rigby



Deputy DSL
Mr I Sallu



Behaviour Leaderboard

Summer Term Highlights



Top Points Leaderboard in Summer Term at V.A.S.E Academy

Position	Name	Class	Points
1	Mason	8	1372
2	Charles	10	1296
3	Alfie	7	1040
4	Finn	9	1010
5	CJ	8	977
6	Kayden	7	922
7	Daniel	10	890
8	Tae	8	884
9	Murtaza	10	833
10	Ibraheem	7	788

VASE Annual Trip—Destination Turkey, Antalya!

This year, a group of our highest-achieving students were rewarded with an unforgettable **five-day international trip to Antalya, Turkey**. Students were selected for consistently demonstrating our school values through outstanding achievement, excellent behaviour, earning the highest number of reward points, or making exceptional personal progress throughout the year.

The students stayed at a stunning **5-star all-inclusive resort**, complete with **multiple swimming pools**, a water park, thrilling water slides, a private beach and an incredible choice of food available throughout the day. From unlimited ice creams and burgers to delicious buffet meals, there was certainly no shortage of treats, and the students thoroughly enjoyed making the most of everything the resort had to offer.



The trip was packed with exciting activities and unforgettable experiences. Students challenged themselves with an exhilarating **10-mile cold-water kayaking adventure**, navigating crystal-clear rivers, waterfalls and natural rapids. They also enjoyed **dune buggy and quad biking**, soaring through the air on a **high zip line**, exploring the vibrant **Belek Market**, and spending an action-packed day at the spectacular **Land of Legends Theme Park and Water Park**, followed by an evening at the famous **Land of Legends Shopping Avenue and Light Show**.

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As well as having an amazing time, the trip gave students the opportunity to build confidence, strengthen friendships, experience a different culture and create memories that will last a lifetime. We are incredibly proud of every student who attended. They were **exceptional ambassadors for VASE Academy**, demonstrating outstanding behaviour, maturity, kindness and respect throughout the entire trip. They embraced every activity with enthusiasm, supported one another, and represented the school brilliantly from start to finish.

A huge congratulations to every student who earned their place on this incredible reward trip. Your hard work, resilience and commitment have truly paid off, and we look forward to seeing more students earn the opportunity to join future international reward trips.

Wales Residential: Llanberis

Our recent residential trip to **Llanberis** was a brilliant mix of coastal tradition and outdoor adventure.

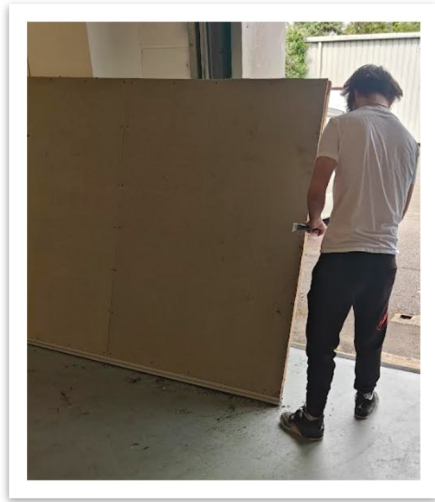
We spent the first day in **Llandudno**, making the most of the classic seaside experience with a walk up the pier, some crabbing, and a proper **fish and chip dinner**.

Day two stepped up the pace. We started underground with **cave trampolining**, then headed out into the fresh air for an afternoon of **kayaking on Llyn Padarn**.

We were base-camped at a fantastic Airbnb, which treated us to some incredible **hilltop views** every morning. It was a memorable few days, and everyone got stuck into the activities.



Introducing our new Flexispace!



Preparations are officially underway to launch our brand-new **Flexispace** this coming September! The team is currently hard at work transforming the area into a dynamic, hands-on learning hub, complete with dedicated practical stations for **bricklaying, carpentry, tiling, plastering, painting, and cladding**. A project of this scale requires an immense amount of effort, and we want to give a massive shoutout to our student superstars—**Liam, Joe, Max, and Callum**—who have been absolutely brilliant in getting the space ready. Working closely alongside **Mr. Adil**, their teamwork, work ethic, and dedication are making this exciting new facility a reality.

We cannot wait to welcome everyone into the completed space next term!



Enrichment Curriculum update with Mr Hill

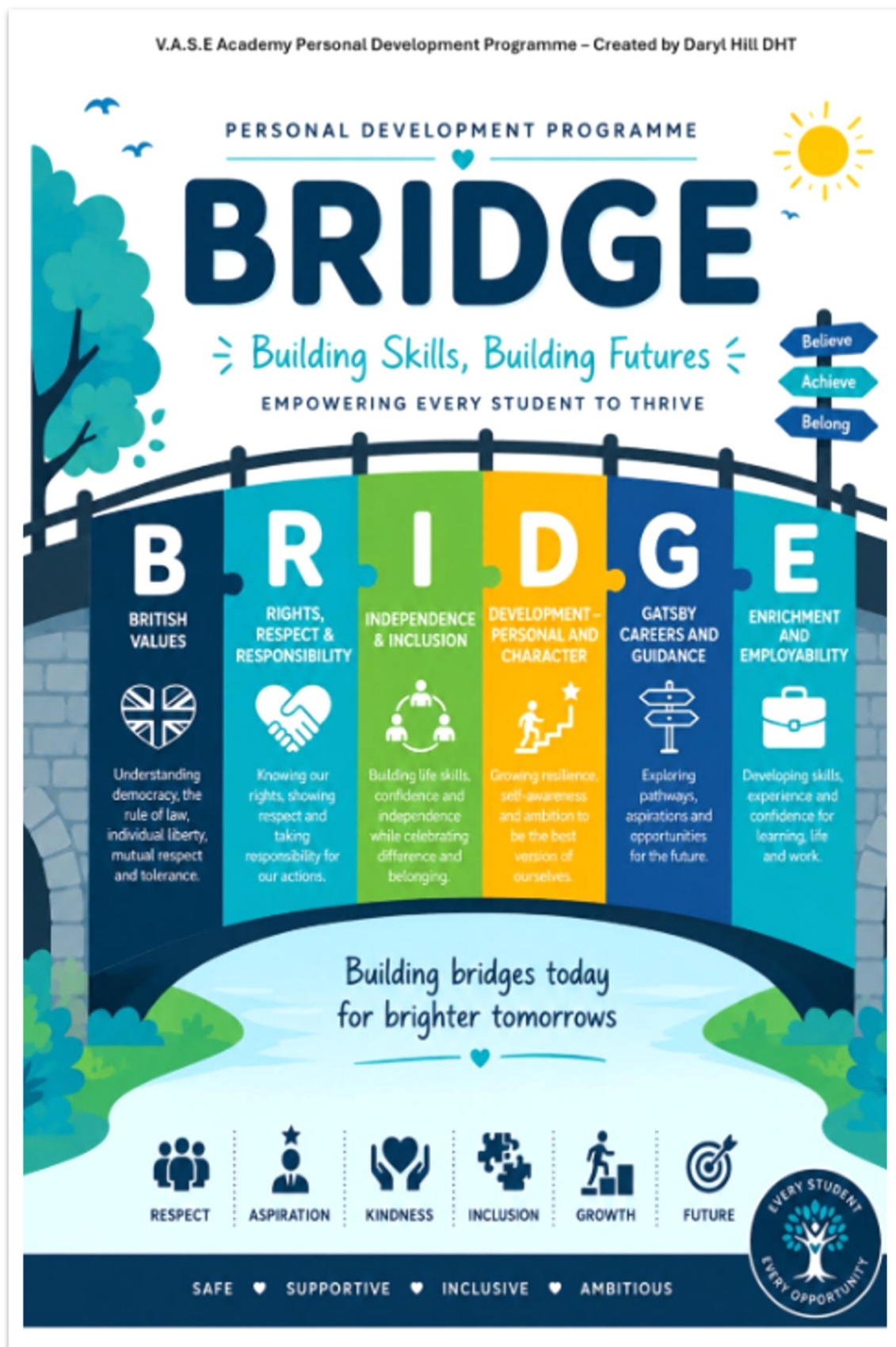
From September our enrichment curriculum will align with the newly formulated enrichment benchmarks set out by the government. Enrichment learning will consist of 8 specific areas which are detailed in this image



Pupils will experience 100 new life experiences and skills . Each bench mark is linked to a school value and a character education badge which will develop the whole child holistically , preparing them for next stages of learning, employment and life. Pupils will undertake personal development qualification, will achieve the UNICEF's rights respecting schools award, will achieve the ECO green schools award

Allof this will come under the umbrella programme for personal development called the "Bridge"

Enrichment Curriculum update with Mr Hill



English with Ms Laura

This summer term has been a fantastic one in English, with students across all year groups showing brilliant progress and achieving amazing end-of-term assessment results. We are incredibly proud of everyone's hard work, determination, and enthusiasm for learning.

Throughout the term, students have enjoyed exploring a range of inspiring famous autobiographies, discovering how writers share their experiences and shape their identities through language. We also immersed ourselves in the fascinating worlds of dystopian and utopian fiction, comparing contrasting societies and developing our own creative writing skills.

A huge congratulations goes to our Year 11 and Year 13 students, who have completed their GCSE English Language examinations. You have worked incredibly hard, shown resilience and commitment throughout the year, and truly smashed it! We are immensely proud of everything you have achieved and can't wait to celebrate with you on Results Day. Whatever comes next, we wish you every success and know you have bright futures ahead.

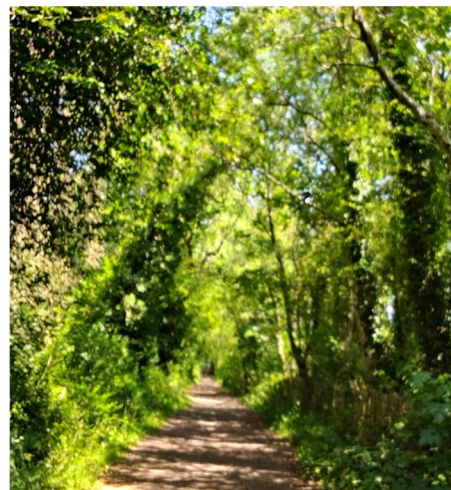
Well done to everyone for making this such a successful and enjoyable summer term. Have a wonderful, well-deserved summer break!

AQA Photography with Ms Laura

A huge well done to Hermione and Destiny for their fantastic work towards their AQA Photography units this term. The girls have shown great enthusiasm, creativity and dedication, enjoying visits to Sandwell Valley where they captured a wonderful collection of photographs featuring wildlife, plants, scenic landscapes and interesting artefacts.

They have now begun creating a photography portfolio to showcase their achievements and are also working on a display to share their work with the rest of the school. We are incredibly proud of their commitment and the high-quality photographs they have produced.

Congratulations, Hermione and Destiny – keep up the amazing work!



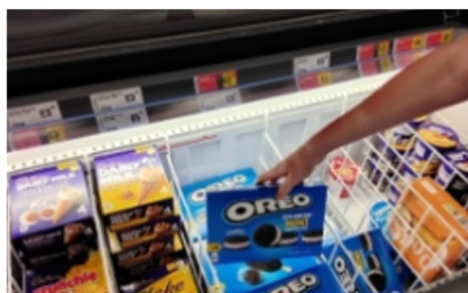
Maths with Mr Ilyaas

Real-World Arithmetic & Exam Success: Celebrating the End of the Year in Maths!

What an incredible finish to the academic year it has been in the V.A.S.E Academy Maths Department! The final weeks of the summer term have seen our students master crucial functional skills, bring their classroom knowledge out into the local community, and show immense dedication during a very busy exam season.

Year 9: Real-World Retail & Value Hunting

Our Key Stage 3 groups have wrapped up the year by focusing on practical measurements, time management, and financial math. A major highlight of the half term involved a small group of our Year 9 students taking a trip to *The Range supermarket* to put their money lessons into action.



Summer 2: Math for Independent Living

This half-term, Key Stage 3 and Year 10 students focused on unlocking the practical math skills needed for the real world:

- **Year 7:** Mastered telling time, calendars, and coin calculations. Wrapped up with *Healthy Cafe* and *Global Travel* projects.
- **Year 8:** Tackled perimeter, composite areas, and decimal money conversions. Applied these to an *Eco-Garden Budgeting* project.
- **Year 9:** Locked down spatial skills (area of rectangles, triangles, and parallelograms) and time-based word problems.
- **Year 10:** Mastered advanced topics including ratios, proportion, and surface area (for composite shapes, circles, and cylinders).

Celebrating Our Exam Superstars!

An enormous shout-out to our upper-school students for their outstanding resilience during this summer's formal assessments:

- **Years 9 & 10:** A select group stepped up for their **Functional Skills** exams—we are crossing our fingers for their well-deserved results!
- **Year 11:** Confidently completed their **Functional Skills Level 1** exams with fantastic focus and independence.
- **GCSE Milestones:** Special recognition to the ambitious Year 11 students who sat their full **GCSE Maths** exams. Their exemplary attitude and effort throughout was inspiring.

Summer Holiday Challenge

Final Puzzle of the Year: SUMMER HOLIDAY CHALLENGE

A family is comparing ice cream tubs for
summer deals:

Tub A – £4.50 for 900ml,

Tub B – £2.50 for 500ml.



1. Cost per 100ml for Tub A?
2. Cost per 100ml for Tub B?
3. Which offers better value?

Submit your answers to the Maths office
first week back in September to earn Pupil
Points!

Science with Mrs Shnya

A Brilliant Term of Scientific Discovery

It has been an incredibly rewarding term of science, packed with curiosity, hard work, and major milestones across all year groups.

Celebrating Our Year 11s

A huge congratulations to our **Year 11 students**, who completed their final **GCSE Biology exams** this term. Their focus, dedication, and mature approach throughout the exam period have been exemplary. It has been a privilege to support them, and we wish them the very best of luck with their results!

Key Stage 3 & Year 10 Highlights

Our **Year 7 through to Year 10 students** have dived into a rich variety of topics with fantastic energy. Highlights from this term included:

- **Ecosystems:** Investigating the delicate balance of life, food webs, and the importance of biodiversity.
- **Reproduction:** Exploring the biology of inheritance, variation, and how life is passed down through generations.
- **Space:** Looking beyond our world to study gravity, orbits, and the wonders of the solar system.

Through hands-on practical's and collaborative investigations, it has been wonderful to see the students' enthusiasm and scientific inquiry grow week by week.

Thank you to all our students for their hard work, and to parents and carers for your continued support. Have a wonderful, well-deserved break!



PSHE with Mr Shah

As we reach the end of another academic year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on everything our pupils have achieved in PSHE.

At **V.A.S.E. Academy**, PSHE is about far more than learning facts. It is about helping our young people develop the confidence, resilience and life skills they need to make positive choices, build healthy relationships and prepare for adulthood. Every lesson is designed with our pupils' individual needs in mind, providing a safe and supportive environment where everyone feels listened to, valued and respected.

This year it has been a privilege to teach every pupil across the school. One of the many strengths of being a small academy is the opportunity to really get to know each young person as an individual. Watching pupils grow in confidence, contribute to discussions and develop their understanding of themselves and the world around them has been one of the most rewarding parts of the year.

Our Year 7 pupils have settled brilliantly into secondary school life. During the Summer Term they explored diversity, respect and celebrating what makes us all unique before moving on to learning about money, budgeting and making sensible financial choices. It has been fantastic to see them becoming more confident and independent as the year has progressed.

Year 8 have continued to build their understanding of financial responsibility by learning about budgeting, bank accounts, saving, taxes and making informed decisions about money. They have approached these topics with maturity and have developed valuable skills that will support them as they become increasingly independent.

For Year 9, the focus has been very much on looking ahead. As they prepare for Key Stage 4, pupils have explored GCSE options, career pathways, personal strengths and future aspirations. They have begun thinking about the opportunities available to them and the importance of setting goals, working hard and believing in their own potential.

Year 10 have continued developing the knowledge and confidence needed as they move closer to adulthood. Discussions around independence, employability, relationships, wellbeing and preparing for the future have encouraged pupils to think carefully about the choices they make and the responsibilities that come with growing up.

Our Year 11 pupils have shown real resilience throughout their final year at V.A.S.E. Academy. Alongside preparing for their examinations, they have explored independent living, managing finances, workplace expectations and looking after their wellbeing during times of change. I am incredibly proud of everything they have achieved and wish each of them every success as they move on to the next stage of their journey.

Our post-16 students have continued preparing for life beyond education through discussions around employment, budgeting, independent living, healthy relationships and future aspirations. It has been wonderful to see them becoming increasingly confident, independent and ready to embrace the opportunities ahead.

I would also like to thank all our parents and carers for your continued support throughout the year. The conversations we have in PSHE are most effective when they continue at home, and your encouragement plays an important part in helping our pupils develop into respectful, resilient and responsible young adults.

Finally, I would like to thank all our pupils. Every class has brought enthusiasm, honesty and humour to our lessons, making PSHE an enjoyable subject to teach. It has been a pleasure to watch every one of you grow throughout the year.

I hope everyone has a safe, restful and enjoyable summer break, and I look forward to welcoming you all back to **V.A.S.E. Academy** in September.

Mr Miah

NPF Basset Pole Woodland Archery with Mr Craig

A massive congratulations to **Kyle** and **Mason** for their outstanding performance during our outbound archery sessions!

As a special reward for their hard work, dedication, and incredible focus, both students earned themselves an exclusive trip to the premier **NPF Bassetts Pole Woodland Archery Range**.

Hit the Bullseye: The Woodland Experience

Kyle and Mason took their skills to the next level, trading the standard practice ranges for a fully immersive, ancient woodland course. Guided by professional instructors, they tackled:

- **Olympic-Style Recurve Bows:** Handling professional-grade equipment with impressive precision.
- **Traditional Target Practice:** Hitting bullseyes on standard distance targets.
- **3D Woodland Targets:** Testing their instincts against realistic 3D foam targets scattered throughout the forest.

Kyle and Mason proved that with the right focus and attitude, they can hit any target they aim for. Well Done, Both!

We are incredibly proud of how well both Kyle and Mason represented themselves. They showed great sportsmanship, listened intently to safety briefings, and—most importantly—had an absolute blast out in the woods.



Save the Date—Cake and Chat Session!

Dear Parents & Carers.

You are invited to our very first “Cake and Chat” session. Our first session will be about regulation for children. We look forward to seeing you there.



Happy Summer and See you soon!

As the six-week summer holiday approaches, here are a few important dates and reminders for your diary:

- **HAF Programme:** A quick reminder that the Holiday Activities and Food programme will run during the weeks of **20th July** and **27th July** (Monday to Thursday only)
- **GCSE Results Day** will take place on **Thursday, 20th August 2026** (exact timings are TBC and will be shared closer to the date).
- **INSET Day:** School is closed to pupils on **Tuesday 1st September 2026** for staff training.
- **Welcome Back:** We look forward to welcoming all the children back for the new term on **Wednesday 2nd September 2026**.

We hope you all have a safe, happy, and enjoyable summer break!



Keeping Our Pupils Safe



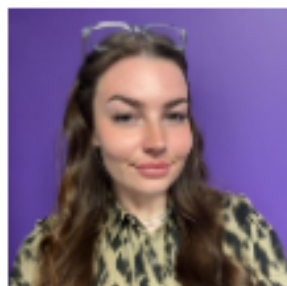
Our Safeguarding Team



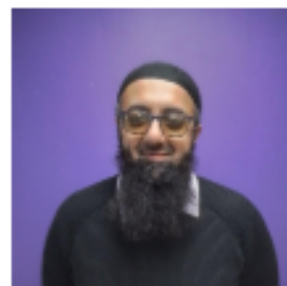
You can speak to any adult at school about anything that is worrying you. However, there are key adults who have the main role of keeping you safe



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V.A.S.E Academy is committed to protecting the welfare of our learners.

We expect all staff, volunteers and governors to do the same.

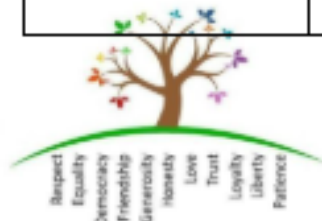
If you are concerned about a child, please speak to a member of the safeguarding team.

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