

AYLESBURY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI May 2019

Thank You For Joining Our Community Choir!



Please remember that we are planning two rehearsals with as many people present as possible.

These will take place at AHS in the Drama Studio on:

• 8th June 9.00 - 10.30 am

• 29th June 9.00 - 10.30 am

Additionally, there will be a rehearsal on Saturday 6^{th} July, before the performance.

If you have not yet signed up, we do hope that you would like to get involved - <u>please fill in this form</u> and return it to us, to let us know that you would like to join us!

60th Birthday Celebration Alumni Volunteer News



We are finalising the details for our Alumni celebrations on the 60th Birthday Celebration Day, and will be in contact with all those who have kindly volunteered their help on the day, shortly.

If you have not responded yet and would be happy to help us, please contact apexton@ahs.bucks.sch.uk.

Any help that you can offer on the morning or afternoon of Saturday 6th July would be appreciated!









We start the day with a **Field Run** at 10:30 and then open the school fields up at midday for **stalls**, **run by the six AHS Houses**. There will be **inflatables** for a range of ages and, at 13:00, a **Fashion Show** in support of Florence Nightingale will open the **Festival Stage**, followed by entertainment from the **Community Choir**, student bands and soloists in **Sounds Amazing**. In the Canteen, there will be delicious **street food** prepared by our caterers, Harrisons Catering Services and the **AHSA** will be providing **refreshments** on the field. Speaking of food, eight student chefs will each produce a 'showcase challenge' in our **Cake Off** competition during the afternoon.

The dancers, actors and musicians will be offering their **Summer Showcase** in the Harding Hall, there will be an exhibition of this year's **art**, **photography and technology** work in the Drama Studio and more **dancing in the Harding Hall**, courtesy of our wonderful dance groups. Watch out during the day for impromptu performances from our local Stagecoach group as well!

Over the years our archives have grown and we are delighted to stage an **exhibition of the history of AHS** as well as launching an **online Digital Archive** that you can access at any time. If you have any memorabilia that we could add to the collection – photos, documents, etc. – please get in touch with us. If it's a while since you were at AHS, you may be interested in a **tour of the school** with some current students to see what's the same and what has changed (although the Tower Block will be unavailable as we are doing a major refurbishment project on it this summer). Speaking of the Tower Block, do look out for our **Development Campaign** to raise funds to provide much-improved classrooms for Maths, Geography and Computing classes.

Of course, one of the best reasons for coming along is to **meet up with your friends**, so do sign up for a **Cream Tea** which will be on offer in the Sixth Form Centre throughout the afternoon. The day will also include a **Presentation** to bring the day to a close and mark sixty years of preparing, challenging and inspiring around ten thousand girls to take their place in a fast-moving world.

Please Book Your Tickets by 17th June 2019! <u>www.ticketsource.co.uk/aylesbury-high-school</u>

Unable To Attend Our Celebrations On Saturday 6th July?



If you are unable to attend our 60th Birthday Celebrations on Saturday, 6th July, please be assured that we will be providing full coverage of our festivities on our Twitter and Instagram feeds, as well as on LinkedIn and our dedicated Alumni website page.

We will also have our online digital archive available from Saturday 6th July, so you will be able to refer to our archive information, publications and many photographs.

If you would like to send the school a special 60th Birthday Message for our Anniversary Message Board, please email apexton@ahs.bucks.sch.uk

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Back To School for Our Alumni 60th Anniversary Essay Competition!



To celebrate our AHS 60th Anniversary and our renewed contact with so many of our Alumni community, you are invited to enter our Alumni Essay Competition.

In no more than 500 words, please tell us your 'Lasting Memories of Aylesbury High School'

Essays should be submitted by post or email, to be received no later than 30th June 2019 and marked for the attention of Alison Pexton <u>apexton@ahs.bucks.sch.uk</u>.

The Competition Winner will be announced on Saturday 6th July at our AHS Birthday Festival and presented with a \pounds 25 Prize Voucher. The winning essay will also feature on the AHS website and in July's Alumni Newsletter

Good Luck to all entrants!

Alumna Freya's 'Back The Back' Charity Walk

The 'Back the Back Walk' is an event **Alumna Freya Firth-Robson has** created and from 30th June, she will be walking the full 268 miles of the Pennine Way, otherwise known as the 'Backbone of Britain', over 19 days to raise awareness of Scoliosis and to raise funds for connected charities.

Freya was diagnosed with Scoliosis, the abnormal curvature of the spine, when she was in Year 7 at AHS and had corrective surgery, which thankfully was successful!

The 'Back the Back Walk' is open for anyone to join, whether for an hour, a day, a week, or the entire event, and Freya would love to get as many people involved as possible!

There is also going to be a launch concert on Saturday 22^{nd} June in St Marylebone Church, London, which the AHS Chamber Choir will be singing in.

I you would like more information on Freya's 'Back the Back Walk' or Launch Concert, please visit www.backthebackwalk.org.

