

## Aylesbury High School | #AHSWalksTall

Developing uniquely talented young adults, who are independent, strong and confident

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## Dear Parent/Carer,

I wanted to reflect on my first term in the post as Director of Sport and how amazed I have been by both the curriculum and extracurricular participation of the students here at Aylesbury High.

When starting a new position there are always visions you have about how you see your department and how it reflects on the whole school.

Our Extra-Curricular programme is constantly growing and participation levels have been fantastic. We have seen the introduction of Cricket in Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4, Ultimate Frisbee club at AGS for Year 10, Indoor hockey for the U18 students, Core and Cardio for all years and Rugby, which will be moving to afterschool on a Monday for our U13 squad with an external coach from next half term. This goes without saying the clubs that have continued from previous years have been well attended too. This can not be done without your support so thank you. Please do let me know if you are in a position to offer any sports clubs or sponsor a team as we are always looking for more opportunities for our students

As the weather changes clubs and fixtures will continue to happen when possible and communication of any cancellations will be made as soon as possible. We as a school spend lots of money on coaches to get to fixtures and have lately had quite a few students unable to attend for a variety of reasons which impacts the whole team. Cancellations cost money so I would like to remind you that when your daughter is part of a squad they are expected to commit for the whole season. All fixtures can be found on Evolve so you know when they are coming up. If your daughter is absent from school please directly email the member of staff due to take the fixture so we can find replacements to avoid cancellations.

We have such talented students at AHS and with me being new to this role I am keen to know who they are and set up a network for our Elite Athletes. If your daughter plays their sport outside of school at county level or above please do fill out the form through this link so I can collate the information. Elite Registration form

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for ensuring your daughters have now all got the correct kit for lessons. We believe that the kit expectations allow the learning environment to be safe for all involved. It was mentioned in the newsletter before Christmas that if you had any old trainers or football boots please do donate them to our department. We are keen to have a selection of spares to offer out if necessary.

Yours Sincerely



Mrs C Sole-Bradley Director of Sport