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Dear Parents/Carers,



We are excited to offer all children at Avalon School, speech and drama lessons in September 2018, Mrs Ravanne Hamer B.A. (Hons), ALAM is our speech and drama teacher and coordinator.

Speech and drama lessons will provide creative opportunities, confidence building and the development of performance, personal and social skills. Speech and drama is supportive in a child's development. It inspires the children to be imaginative, encourages the 'sharing of ideas' and the importance of 'working together' as part of an ensemble. Speech and drama develops children's reading skills as they are introduced to different types of literature, working with poetry, prose and small scripts in a fun and friendly environment. The children will also learn theatrical techniques such as effective stage movement, the use of mime, animation and physical theatre. Improvisation and devising is enjoyed throughout and the children are encouraged to create their own dramatic scenes.

Speech and drama lessons also offer the opportunity to enter the prestigious London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art (LAMDA) speech, communication and drama examinations. They will take place at Avalon School, as we are now a registered LAMDA centre. Children will be given the opportunity to enter into the Chester Speech and Drama festival should they wish to. This is optional, and no child will be forced to enter any examination or festivals.


The most beneficial skill your child can gain from speech and drama is learning to have the confidence and technique to speak in public. Speech and drama particularly concentrates on the development of communication and presentation skills, clear speech and good diction.

Speech and Drama lessons will be held once a week; the lessons will be held every Friday during lunch time for Reception and Year 1 and after school for Year 2,3,4,5 and 6. This prevents children from missing academic subjects. The sessions are conducted in small groups and are half an hour long and promise to be great fun.

The costs of speech and drama lessons are £5.00 per session and payment is to be made at the beginning of each term directly to Mrs Hamer.

If you would like your son or daughter to join Speech and Drama lessons in September, please complete the application form attached and return to the school office by Wednesday 5th September 2018. Places are limited, and priority will be given to those who return their application form first. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ring Ravanne Hamer directly on 07901822481.

Yours sincerely


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Speech and Drama Application Form

If you would like your son/daughter to participate in speech and drama lessons, please complete the slip below and return to the school office.

NAME OF CHILD:

DATE OF BIRTH: **AGE:**.....**SCHOOL YEAR:**

ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS OR SPECIAL REQUIRMENTS:.....

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ADDRESS:

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TELEPHONE NUMBER: **MOBILE:**

E-mail:.....

Parent's signature:

