



# AVALON SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

### Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR CHRISTMAS FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 12 NOON

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## CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

### This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

#### House Points

185

276

236

266

#### Total House Points for the Year To-date

1379

1663

1583

1580

#### Merit Badges (Last Week & This Week)

Reception	OB		NL	
Year 1		NS OC		
Year 2				OE EP
Year 3	AR	RR		
Year 4				SJ
Year 5		DH	AC	GP DA
Year 6	AE	WR	PB	AM

#### Golden Table

Rec	AW	Y1	HK	Y2	FR
Y3	ML	Y4	IP	Y5	AC
		Y6	WR		

## Children's Favourite Dishes of the Week!

**Main:** Pizza and Salad

**Pudding:** Rice Crispy Cake

## MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER 2018



**Includes EK (Year 2) taster menu on Tuesday**

Follow this link for our [Lunch Menus](#)

### Dates for Your Diary

### NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

#### DECEMBER 2018

##### **Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Year 5 Visit to the Old Garden Residential Home

##### **Wed 5<sup>th</sup>**

2pm Nursery & Pre-School Christmas Concert

##### **Thur 6<sup>th</sup>**

Reception Posting Letters to Father Christmas

Parent Toddler Group 1.45pm-3pm

##### **Fri 7<sup>th</sup>**

School Christmas Lunch

Pre-School Visit to the Caldy Manor Care Home

##### **Mon 10<sup>th</sup>**

Infant Christmas Concert at 2pm (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)

##### **Tue 11<sup>th</sup>**

Christmas Parties (Nursery, Pre-School, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)

##### **Wed 12<sup>th</sup>**

#### Christmas Decoration Competition

Thank you to all the children who took part in our Christmas bauble decorating competition, we had some fantastic designs which were incredibly difficult to judge. The winning designs can be seen on the Christmas tree in the school hall and were created by:

Nursery & Pre-School	RK	Reception	CE
Year 1	ME	Year 2	HW
Year 3	IT	Year 4	EB
Year 5	TW	Year 6	LG

#### Christmas Cake Art & Design Competition

Thank you to all the children who took part in our Christmas cake art and design competition. The competition has now closed and the winners will be announced on 7<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Bebras UK Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge

Congratulations to Oscar, Daisy, Eve and Maisie who are our four winners of the Bebras competition this year. They achieved the 'Best in School' for their age group. We are all delighted to discover that Oscar and Pascal are invited to enter another computational thinking competition in March as they achieved a top 10% Bebras score in their age group which is Juniors (year 6 and 7). Well done to all children in Key Stage 2 for entering and achieving a certificate.

#### Year 5 Visit to the Old Garden Residential Home Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

The children from Year 5 will be visiting the residents of the Old Garden Residential Home on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December to perform Christmas Carols which we hope will be an enjoyable visit for both children and residents. Please ensure that you complete and return your reply slip to enable your child to participate. Thank you.

#### Nursery & Pre-School Nativity Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

We would like to invite the Nursery and Pre-School parents to our Nativity on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. If your child does not normally attend sessions on a Wednesday, we would be grateful if you could bring them to

Junior Christmas  
Theatre Trip (Wizard  
of Oz at Story House  
Theatre, Chester)

Infant Taekwondo  
Catch Up Session

**Thur 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Christmas  
Celebration  
Rehearsal at St  
Bridget's Church

**Fri 14<sup>th</sup>**  
10am Christmas  
Celebration at St  
Bridget's Church –  
Parents Welcome!

**Autumn Term  
Finishes at 12  
Noon**

**CHRISTMAS  
BREAK  
MON 17<sup>TH</sup> DEC TO  
FRI 4<sup>TH</sup> JAN 2019**

**JANUARY 2019**

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Staff INSET Day

**Tue 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Children Return to  
School

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Year 3 Class  
Assembly at 9.15am  
– Parents Welcome!

**FEBRUARY 2019**

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Year 6 Class  
Assembly at 9.15am  
– Parents Welcome!

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Year 1 Class  
Assembly at 9.15am  
– Parents Welcome!

**S4YC Holiday Club  
Available for Half  
Term Break**

**HALF TERM**

school at 1.30pm ready for the start of the nativity at 2pm. We do hope that you will be able to join us.

**Reception Posting Letters to Father Christmas  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

The children in Reception class have been writing their own letter to Father Christmas. Weather permitting; we would like to take the children to the nearest post box along Caldby Road to post their letters on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December. If you have any objections and would rather your child did not take part in this activity, please let Miss Hardy know as soon as possible.

**School Christmas Lunch  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

We will be holding our school Christmas lunch on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Children may come to school in their own clothes and a Christmas jumper to help make our Christmas lunch more festive.

**Pre-School Visit to the Caldby Manor Care Home  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

The children from Pre-School will be visiting the residents of the Caldby Manor Care Home Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December to perform Christmas songs which we hope will be an enjoyable visit for both children and residents. Please ensure that you complete and return your reply slip to enable you child to participate. Thank you.

**Infant (Reception to Year 2) Christmas Concert  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm**

We would like to invite the Infant parents to our Christmas Concert on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. We do hope that you will be able to join us.

**Nursery, Pre-School & Infant Christmas Parties  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

The children in Nursery, Pre-School and Infants will be having their Christmas Parties on the afternoon of Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December. As we are fast approaching this busy session we would like to let you know the arrangements for the day.

Children can wear their own party clothes at the party. However:

**Nursery and Pre-School** – should come to school in their party clothes and wear them throughout the day. If you child does not normally attend on a Tuesday, they would be very welcome to join in the fun and we would ask that you bring them to the Nursery at approximately 1.20pm.

**Reception** – should come to school in their party clothes and wear them throughout the day.

**Year 1 and Year 2** – should come to school in school uniform but bring their party clothes in a bag with their name on. They will change into their party clothes just before the party.

**Junior (Year 3 to Year 6) Theatre Trip  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

The children in Year 3 to Year 6 will be going to the Storyhouse Theatre in Chester on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December to see their production of "The Wizard of Oz". The cost of the trip is £15.50 which will be added to your spring term invoice. The children will leave after registration and return for lunch at 1.45pm. The children may take with them a healthy snack and a bottle of water. Please complete and return the consent form as soon as possible.

**MON 18<sup>TH</sup> TO  
FRI 22<sup>ND</sup> FEB**

**Infant Taekwondo Club Catch Up Session  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

A catch up Taekwondo session will take place on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December after school.

**Christmas Celebration Service at St Bridget's Church  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Once again will be holding our Christmas Celebration Service at St Bridget's Church on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. We will also be having a rehearsal at the church on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Please ensure that your children have an extra layer clothing under their normal uniform as the church is cold. We would be most grateful if you provide a small new toy, gift or sweets for the service on the 14<sup>th</sup> December which will be donated to the Charles Thompson Mission. Please return the reply slip indicating where you will be collecting your child from as soon as possible. Nursery and Pre-School sessions will continue their normal route. Don't forget school closes at 12 noon and there will be no After School Club service on this day.

**Cold Weather**

As the weather is turning colder children may wear a dark coloured woolly hat during break and lunchtime. We would, however, prefer the children to come to and go home from school wearing their school hat. Thank you.

**Parent Survey**

We sent home with the children this week a parent survey questionnaire. We really value your opinion and would be most grateful if you could complete and return your questionnaire by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

**Thank you Mr Starkey**



EYFS garden and play area. The children had a go at planting canes and were shown the special tools needed to make the structures. We look forward to watching them grow and see how they change.

**Year 6 Road Safety Assembly**

On Monday morning, Year 6 led a road safety assembly. They related what they had learned with Mrs Power from Wirral Council Road Safety Team. Year 6 concluded by telling the children about their experiences on their Bikeright course, focusing on how to cycle safely in the road.

**Progress Reports**

Progress reports have been sent home with the children this week.

**Ballet**

Reminder! Ballet lessons have now finished and will recommence in the new year.

**Term Dates 2018-2019 & 2019-2020****2018/2019**

<b>Autumn Term</b>	
Starts	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2018 Staff INSET Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2018 Children Return
Half-Term	<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct to Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2018</b>
Ends	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2018 - 12 Noon Finish
<b>Spring Term</b>	
Starts	Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2019 Staff INSET Tue 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2019 Children Return
Half-Term	<b>Mon 18<sup>th</sup> to Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2019</b>
Ends	Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2019 – Normal Finish Time
<b>Summer Term</b>	
Starts	Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2019 Staff INSET Tue 16 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2019 Children Return
Easter May Day	<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup> &amp; Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr 2019</b> <b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019</b>
Half-Term	<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May to Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019</b>
Ends	Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Jul 2019 – Normal Finish Time

**2019/2020**

<b>Autumn Term</b>	
Starts	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept 2019
Half-Term	<b>Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Oct to Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2019</b>
Ends	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019 - 12 Noon Finish
<b>Spring Term</b>	
Starts	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2020
Half-Term	<b>Mon 17<sup>th</sup> to Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2020</b>
Ends	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr 2020 – Normal Finish Time
<b>Summer Term</b>	
Starts	Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2020
May Day	<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>
Half-Term	<b>Mon 25<sup>h</sup> May to Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>
Ends	Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Jul 2020 – Normal Finish Time

**Four Staff INSET Days to be confirmed for Year 2019-2020**

### Used Stamps

We are collecting used stamped for St John's Hospice. If you would like to donate any used stamps there is a collection box in the school office reception area.

### Uniform Supplier

Uniform can be purchased from Uniformity Clothing using the link below  
<http://www.uniformityschools.com/>

Uniform Sizing Room opening times are:  
Monday, Wednesday & Friday – 8.30am to 8.45am  
Tuesday & Friday – 3pm to 4.30pm

Please call into the school office and the admin team will assist you.

### School Fees and Before & After School Fees

Autumn terms Nursery/Pre-School and School Fees and Before & After School Fees are due to payment. We would be most grateful if these could be paid in accordance with the terms and condition as stated on the invoice. Thank you.

We would be most grateful if any payments over £40 could be made either by cheque or internet banking only; details can be obtained from the school office. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.



**Should you have any concerns or suggestions,  
please do not hesitate to contact us:**

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# Parent Toddler Group

**SPRING**

1.45pm to 3pm  
every Thursday  
during term time  
£3 per child  
including refreshments

Come along for great fun, toys, craft sessions,  
& activities  
Guest session leaders.


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Avalon Parent Toddler Group

**SPLAT**  
messy play  
Cultivating Creativity

Story Explorers





AVALON SCHOOL & RUNNING GOALS




# PARENT'S RUNNING CLUB

BRING NEW MEANING TO  
"THE SCHOOL RUN"

Drop the kids off & stay for a run.  
Energise the rest of your day.  
All fitness levels welcome.  
Have fun while getting fit.

Club Led By A Qualified Running Coach

AFTER THE RUN STAY FOR A  
COFFEE & A CHAT



## KEY INFORMATION

Tuesday Morning's  
8.40am Start  
£5 per session

1st Group Run Will Be When The Children  
Come Back After Christmas:

8TH JANUARY 2019

KICKSTART YOUR NEW YEAR

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE:  
TO REGISTER YOUR PLACE

## CONTACT

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