



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 8th February 2019

HALF TERM BREAK MONDAY 18TH TO FRIDAY 22ND FEBRUARY

**SCHOOL CLOSED AT THE USUAL TIME ON
FRIDAY 15TH FEBRUARY AND
RE-OPEN ON MONDAY 25TH FEBRUARY**

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points

191

206

224

268

Total House Points for the Year To-date

2253

2658

2628

2709

Merit Badges

Reception

NL

Year 1

AG

Year 2

EP

Year 3

IA

Year 4

HH

Year 5

AC
DB

Year 6

IH

AM

Golden Table

Rec

CS

Y1

SC

Y2

HW

Y3

RR

Y4

SP

Y5

DB

Y6

ST

Children's Favourite Dishes This Week

Menu for Week Comm. 11th February

Main: Spaghetti & Meatballs

Pudding: Sticky Toffee Pudding



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

Dates for Your Diary

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

FEBRUARY 2019

Mon 11th

Year 1 Class
Assembly at
9.05am – Parents
Welcome!

Wed 13th

PTA Valentine
Disco at 5.30pm –
7pm

Thur 14th

Being Share
Aware @Avalon
Assembly (parents
invited 9.10am)
Followed by
Parent Online
safety workshop.

Parent Toddler
Group 1.45pm-
3pm

Fri 15th

Wirral NHS Height
& Weight, Vision &
Hearing –
Reception

Wirral NHS Height
& Weight – Year 6

Nursery & Pre-
School Celebrate
Chinese New Year

School Finishes
for Half Term at
3.40pm

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

Pyjama Power (Fundraiser for Susali)

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to the Susali fundraiser Pyjama Power, we raised an amazing **£352.65**. The children and staff had a cosy day in their pyjamas and slippers!

Celebrating Chinese New Year

This week the Catering Team helped us celebrate Chinese New Year with their version of fortune cookies. Yummy! For photos follow the link to our Catering Team's website [photos](#) page.

Year 1 Class Assembly

Monday 11th February at 9.05am

The children in Year 1 would like to invite their parents/carers to their Class Assembly on Monday 11th February at 9.05am in the school hall. Refreshments will be available from 8.50am. We do hope that you will be able to join us.

PTA Valentine Disco

Wednesday 13th February at 5.30pm



**HALF TERM
MON 18TH TO
FRI 22ND FEB**

Mon 25th

School Opens at
8.40am

Tue 26th

Year 6 Trip
Stockport Air Raid
Shelter

Reception to Year
4 Lent Event at St
Bridget's Church

Wed 27th

PSHCE Visitor –
Dentist (Reception
to Year 4)

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 1

MARCH 2019

Fri 1st

Year 5 and Year 6
Lent Event at St
Bridget's Church

Mon 4th

PSHCE Visitor
from Stick & Step

Tue 5th

Parent Workshops
RSE
Reception to Year
4 at 1.30pm
Year 5 & Year 6 at
2.30pm

Wed 6th

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 2

Year 6 Bikeability
Course

Thur 7th

World Book Day

**Mon 11th to Fri
15th**

National Science

**Sharing Assembly & Parent Workshop – Online Safety
Thursday 14th February 9.10am**

This week was Internet Safety week and the children have been participating in specific activities and workshops to support their ongoing learning about staying safe online.

The key theme for this year has been 'Share Aware' and the children will be sharing their learning in a **special assembly on Thursday 14th February at 9.10am. Parents are very welcome to join us.**

Following the assembly, there will be a parent workshop, led by Avalon staff and Alison Hardy from Wirral Dara, to offer further guidance, support and resources on how to engage and assist with keeping children safe online.



How to Keep Safe Online

Online games like Fortnite and FIFA are evolving into social spaces where children meet with their friends — and make new ones. However they can be dangerous places for children to be, if they are not given the right knowledge, advice or support to stay safe. See the link below from [parentzone](http://parentzone.org.uk), for parents on how to keep their children safe if children are using in-game chat.

**Wirral NHS Height & Weight and Vision & Hearing Test – Reception
Wirral NHS Height & Weight – Year 6
Friday 15th February**

On Friday 15th February the staff from Wirral NHS will be attending school to undertake height and weight and vision and hearing tests for the children in Reception class and height and weight tests for the children in Year 6. The children will also take part in a healthy eating talk by the NHS staff.

Half Term Break

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February

School closed on Friday 15th February at the normal for the half term break and re-opens on Monday 25th February. We hope you have an enjoyable half term break.

S4YC Holiday Club

Half Term Break Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February

S4YC will be running their holiday club at Avalon School during the half term break, from Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February between 8am and 6pm Monday to Friday for children aged 2 to 11 years.

If you would like to book your child into holiday club for this half term, please visit <http://www.s4yc.co.uk/>

If you are paying for your child's holiday club attendance with childcare vouchers, please allow a minimum of 5 days for the payment to be verified on the ipal system.

S4YC
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CHILD CARE & SPORT EDUCATION

@ Avalon
Holiday Clubs
For Children Aged 2-11

Our Ofsted registered holiday play schemes offer a wide range of opportunities for children to experience new things whilst also freely choosing how they spend their day under the guidance of highly qualified and experienced staff. Whether they choose to take part in a game of football or join in with some of the adult led craft activities on offer, there is something for everyone.

Play Schemes run between 8.00am and 6.00pm throughout the school holidays.

You will find all the information you need about our exciting and fun range of activities as well as our new online booking system by visiting our website:

www.s4yc.co.uk

but, if you would like to speak with us directly please don't hesitate to get in touch.

kaye@s4yc.co.uk 07717 383702

Week

EYFS Stay & Play
Week

Wed 13th

M&M Theatre
A Little Princess

Thur 14th

Football Match v
Prenton Prep

Mon 18th

Year 2 Class
Assembly at
9.05am – Parents
Welcome!

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 3

Wed 20th

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 4

Parents' Evening
Meetings
Reception, Year 1,
Year 4 and Year 6

Thur 21st

Parents' Evening
Meetings
Year 2, Year 3 and
Year 5

Mon 25th

Performing Arts
Concert at 2pm

Tue 26th

Year 5 and Year 6
RSE Session led
by DARA

Wed 27th

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 5

Fri 29th

School Finishes
for Spring Break at
3.40pm

**S4YC Holiday
Club Available**

**Year 6 Trip – Stockport Aid Raid Shelter
Tuesday 26th February**

As part of the history curriculum the Year 6 children will be going on a trip to Stockport Aid Raid Shelter on Tuesday 26th February. The children are invited to dress up as a child in World War Two. The children will need to bring a coat as part of the trip is outside. The children will leave school straight after registration and will be back in time for normal pick up (traffic permitting). School will provide the children with a packed lunch. The cost of the trip will be £19.50 which will be added to your summer invoice in the usual way.

**Reception to Year 4 - Lent Event at St Bridget's Church
Tuesday 26th February**

On Tuesday 26th February the children in Reception to Year 4 have been invited to take part in the Lent Event at St Bridget's Church. The children will be walking to and from the church with staff.

**Reception to Year 4 – PSHCE Visitor – Dentist
Wednesday 27th February**

On Wednesday 27th February Pre School to Year 4 will be welcoming a team of dentists into school to talk to the children about keeping their teeth healthy, as part of their PSHCE studies.

**Year 5 – Essential Life Skills Session 1
Wednesday 27th February**

The children in Year 5 will be taking part in 5 wellbeing and mindfulness workshops run by Thumbs Up over the coming weeks with a focus on supporting and developing essential life skills. The first session will take place on Wednesday 27th February.

The sessions will cover:

- Getting to know each other
- Understanding thoughts, feeling and behaviour
- The importance of You
- Mind over matter
- Living with happiness and positivity

**Year 5 and Year 6 - Lent Event at St Bridget's Church
Friday 1st March**

On Friday 1st March the children in Year 5 and Year 6 have been invited to take part in the Lent Event at St Bridget's Church. The children will be walking to and from the church with staff.

**Year 6 Bikeability Level 3 Course
Wednesday 6th March**

The Level 3 Bikeability course will take place on Wednesday 6th March. More details to follow.

Transfer from Pre-School to Reception – September 2019 Intake

A letter has been sent home with all Pre-School children offering a place in our Reception class in September 2019. If you would like to reserve a place for your children in the Reception class, please complete and return the form to the school office by Monday 4th March

Scam Emails Warning

We have been made aware by the Independent Schools Council of recent email scams involving people posing as prospective parents to try to gain access to school details including logo's, email templates etc. This information is then fraudulently used to scam parents into making payments into their accounts.

for Spring Break

SPRING TERM
MON 1ST TO
MON 15TH APR

APRIL 2019

Mon 15th

Staff INSET Day

Tue 16th

Children Return to
School at 8.40am

If you do receive an email of this nature or if you are unsure about an email we would be most grateful if you could contact the school immediately.

Please be assured that our own bank account details have not and will not, for the foreseeable future, change. Avalon School does not send out emails regarding unsolicited discount rates. Any emails you receive containing invoices or statements will be sent from either accounts@avalon-school.co.uk, vellsmoor@avalon-school.co.uk or annevans@avalon-school.co.uk

Save the Date – PTA May Ball **Saturday 11th May**



Pre-Loved Uniform

We have a range of Girls' Pinafore Dresses, Summer Dresses & Cardigans and Boys' V Neck Jumpers, plus a few other bits and pieces. If you would like to buy some or would like more information, please [email uniformpta@gmail.com](mailto:uniformpta@gmail.com) - we have a list of all Pre-Loved Uniform which we can email out. If you have any items that you would like to donate, then again please email. We will be organising a date for a Sale/Drop Off so please look out for our notices. Thank you for your support to date

School Uniform - Woolly Hats

We have been in negotiations with our uniform supplier, Uniformity regarding a school woolly hat. A brown woolly hat with the school logo has been produced and will be available online and from the shop in Chester within the next two weeks. The cost of the woolly hat is £7.50.

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.

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.

Year 3 to Year 6 PE Lessons

As the weather is quite cold at the moment and the children in Year 3 to Year 6 do spend most of their PE lesson outside, Mrs Kililiku has asked if children could bring in a pair of dark coloured gloves to wear during PE lessons. Thank you.

Term Dates 2018-2019 & 2019-2020

2018/2019

Spring Term

Starts	Mon 7 th Jan 2019 Staff INSET Tue 8 th Jan 2019 Children Return
Half-Term	Mon 18th to Fri 22nd Feb 2019
Ends	Fri 29 th Mar 2019 – Normal Finish Time

Summer Term

Starts	Mon 15 th Apr 2019 Staff INSET Tue 16 th Apr 2019 Children Return
Easter May Day	Fri 19th & Mon 22nd Apr 2019 Mon 6th May 2019
Half-Term	Mon 27th May to Fri 31st May 2019
Ends	Fri 12 th Jul 2019 – Normal Finish Time

2019/2020

Autumn Term

Starts	Mon 2 nd Sept 2019
Half-Term	Mon 21st Oct to Fri 1st Nov 2019
Ends	Fri 13 th Dec 2019 - 12 Noon Finish

Spring Term

Starts	Mon 6 th Jan 2020
Half-Term	Mon 17th to Fri 21st Feb 2020
Ends	Fri 3 rd Apr 2020 – Normal Finish Time

Summer Term

Starts	Mon 20 th Apr 2020
May Day	Mon 4 th May 2020
Half-Term	Mon 25 th May to Fri 29 th May 2020
Ends	Fri 10 th Jul 2020 – Normal Finish Time

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



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

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Avalon School

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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