

AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter Friday 4th October 2019

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS







		N. C.		N. E. S.			
	S	t Andrew	St David	St George	St Patrick		
			House Points				
		182	156	184	141		
		Total House	Points for the Ye	ar To-date			
		738	622	680	577		
			Merit Badges				
Reception				SS			
Year 1			EP				
Year 2			GB	EK			
Year 3 Year 4			RR	ΕN	RC		
Year 5			EB		JW		
Year 6		RW			CA		
Golden Table							
Rec	SS-S	Y1	CE	Y2	SC		
Y3	CR	Y4	AR	Y5	IMcK		
		Y6	JG				

Children's Favourite Dishes This Week

Main: Curry & Rice
Pudding: Chocolate Crunch

Special Menu on Tuesday Year 2 Design a Menu SS

Nut-Free Pesto Pasta Heart Shaped Biscuit Flavoured Water

Menu for Week Comm. 7th October



Follow this link for our **Lunch Menus**

Wellbeing Quote of the Week



Each week we will be sharing a 'Well Being quote' with the whole school community to encourage everyone to take a little time out of their busy schedules to use mindfulness and to think about their well-being.

It always seems impossible until it's done.

Dates for Your Diary

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

SEPTEMBER 2019

OCTOBER 2019

Mon 7th

Year 5 Class Assembly 9.05am

Wed 9th

Flu Vaccination Reception to Year

Fri 11th

Open Morning 9am to 12 noon

Wed 16th

Whole School Harvest Celebration at 9.15am

Thur 17th

PTA Spooky Movie Theme Night at 5.30pm

Fri 18th

School Finishes for Half Term

OPEN MORNING Friday 11th October 9am – 12pm

We are always proud to welcome parents, families and friends to our Open Mornings, so that you can get a flavour of a typical day at Avalon! We are holding our next Open Morning on Friday 11th October between 9am and 12pm and we would be delighted to show lots of our current or prospective parents around our wonderful school.



Year 5 Grammar School Assessment Parent Information Meeting

Thank you for the parents/carers who attended our Year 5 Grammar School Assessment Information Meeting this week, we hope you found it informative. If you aware unable to attend, please contact the school office for an information pack.

Year 6 Beach School Session

S4YC Holiday Club Available for Half Term Break



HALF TERM 21st OCTOBER TO 2nd NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 2019

Mon 4th Children return to school

Mon 11th to Fri 15th Anti-Bullying Week

Mon 11th Remembrance Assembly

Year 3 Trip to DEWA Chester

Parents' Evening Meetings – Reception, Year 1, Year 4 & Year 6

Tue 12th
Parents' Evening
Meetings – Year
2, Year 3 and

Year 5

Fri 15th PTA Meeting at 2pm

Mon 18th to Fri 22nd Road Safety Week

Fri 22nd

Anti-Bullying Sharing Assembly at 9.15am

Mon 25th Nov Year 4 Class Assembly at 9.05am – The Year 6 had a fantastic afternoon this week when they took part in the first Beach School Session. See their <u>class website page</u> for more details and photos.

EYFS Stay & Play Week

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended our EYFS Stay & Play sessions this week. We hope that you enjoyed spending time with the children in their classrooms and finding out how you can support their learning at home. Take a look at the Nursery & Pre-School and Reception Class website pages for more details and photos.

Individual & Sibling Pupil Photographs

Individual and sibling pupil photographs were taken this week. Photographs will be available to order via the photograph company, details of which will be sent home with the children along with photograph proofs, as soon as we receive them.

Macmillan Coffee Morning



Thank you everyone who attended or donated to our Macmillan Coffee Morning today. We are still counting the money; we will let you know the total collected next week. So far, we have raised £265.65. Thank you for your support!



Young Minds Sponsored Areobics-athon Challenge Friday 4th October

YOUNGMINDS

The children from Nursery to Year 6 took part in our sponsored Aerobic-athon today with enthusiasm and lots of energy! We are still counting the sponsor

money and will be you know the total raised next week. So far we have raised £562.00. If your child hasn't brought in their sponsor money as yet, please bring it to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Year 5 Class Assembly Monday 7th October at 9.05am

The children of Year 5 would like to invite you to their Class assembly on Monday 7th October starting 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.

Flu Vaccination for Reception to Year 6 Wednesday 9th October

Flu vaccinations for the children in Reception to Year 6 will take place on Wednesday 9th October. If you haven't already done so, please return the permission slip to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Harvest Assembly Wednesday 16th October at 9.15am

Parents/Carers Welcome

Fri 29th LAMDA Exams

DECEMBER 2019

Mon 2 to Fri 6th Well Being Week

Thur 5th
Nursery & PreSchool Nativity at
2pm –
Parents/Carers
Welcome

Fri 6pm PTA Christmas Fair at 3pm

Mon 9th
Infants (Reception to Year 2)
Christmas Concert at 2pm –
Parents/Carers
Welcome

Tue 10th
Juniors (Year 3 to Year 6) Theatre
Trip to see Peter
Pan at The
StoryHouse
Chester at
10.30am

Infants & EYFS Christmas Parties in the afternoon

Wed 11th School Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Fri 13th
Whole School
Christmas
Celebration at St
Bridget's Church
at 10am –
Parents/Carers
Welcome

This year our Harvest Festival Assembly will be on Wednesday 16th October at 9.15am in the School Hall, we warmly invite all parents and carers to our assembly. We would kindly ask for a small donation of either perishable or non-perishable food which will be given to the Wirral Foodbank to help support families in need in our local area. We look forward to see you there!

PTA Spooky Movie Night Thursday 17th October at 5.30pm

The PTA will be holding a spooky movie night on Thursday 17th October at 5.30pm in the School Hall. Look out next week for more information.

Cauliflower Cards Orders

CARD DESIGNS MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2019

The children are currently completing their Christmas card designs. Orders can be placed online through the Cauliflower Group website from now until **Tuesday 5**th **November**. To place an order, type the following link into your browser https://xmas.cauliflowergroup.co.uk



When placing an order, you will need the following information/codes:

School Details: Avalon School

School Code: 2666

Unique Code: this can be found at the top of your child's card design sheet:



Please return your child's card design sheet to school by **Friday 18**th **October** so all artwork can be sent on to the Cauliflower Group. This will enable them to produce your order. If your child's design sheet is not returned to school, you will not receive any orders placed.

Half Term Break Monday 21st October to Friday 1st November

The school will close for the half term break on Friday 18th October and re-opens on Monday 4th November. The S4YC holiday club will be running during the half term break. Booking information and a list of the fun activities will be sent home with the children next week.

Wet Play Bags

As the weather is starting to turn more autumnal and we will inevitably be spending some of our breaktimes inside because of wet weather, it is important that your child has some wet play activities to occupy them. If your child needs a replacement wet play bag, please call into the school office to request one. The cost of a wet play bag is £2 which will be added to your next invoice

School closes for the Christmas break at 12 noon

CHRISTMAS BREAK 16TH DECEMBER 2019 TO 6TH JANUARY 2020

JANUARY 2020

Mon 6th Staff INSET Day

Tue 7th Children return to school

Pre-Loved Uniform

Thank you to all those who have supported the PTA's Pre-Love Uniform over the Summer holidays and at the School's Tea Parties. We raised the sum of £222.00, which brings the grand total of sales to £586 which is fantastic. We have a wide range of uniform, so please do email us on ptauniform@gmail.com. Also, if anyone has any payment envelopes to return, please leave them with the school office and we collect from there. Many thanks.

Uniform Supplier

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

Uniform Sizing Room will be opened upon request. Please call into the school office and one of the admin team will assist you.

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. 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

Term Dates 2019-2020

2019/2020

Autumn Term					
Staff Training Days	Mon 2 nd Sept & Tuesday 3 rd Sept 2019				
Term Starts	Wednesday 4 th September 2019				
Half-Term	Mon 21 st Oct to Fri 1 st Nov 2019				
Ends	Fri 13 th Dec 2019 - 12 Noon Finish				
	Spring Term				
Staff Training Day	Mon 6 th Jan 2020				
Term Starts	Tuesday 7 th Jan 2020				
Half-Term	Mon 17 th to Fri 21 st Feb 2020				
Ends	Fri 3 rd Apr 2020 – Normal Finish Time				
	Summer Term				
Staff Training Day	Mon 20 th Apr 2020				
Term Starts	Tuesday 21st April 2020				
May Day	Mon 4 th May 2020				
Half-Term	Mon 25 ^h May to Fri 29 th May 2020				

Ends Fri 10 th Jul 2020 – Normal Finish Time	
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Parking around school

A polite request and reminder to all parents to ensure that they park respectfully of our neighbouring residents and to ensure that consideration and safety of all road users and pedestrians is paramount.

This week we have received a number of complaints from local residents about parents parking on the pavement outside school and the rude and unhelpful behaviour which followed. Parking on the pavement has caused a number of issues for pedestrians and members of the public with wheelchairs or pushchairs who have struggled accessing a safe pathway along the pavement. The collision of two vehicles was also caused this week, due to poor visibility of the road because of cars parked inappropriately. Thankfully no persons were hurt or injured this time, however if people continue to park in this manner, the risks and dangers to our children and families using the roads around school, is ever increased. Many parents do 'park and stride' to school making good use of Hickory's car park for school run times. Any other suggestions for enabling children's safe and healthy access to school are always welcome.



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

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Story Explorers Creative Play • Storytelling • Adventures

Parent Toddler Group

1.45pm to 3pm every Thursday during term time.

£3 per child including refreshments

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Guest Sessions Leaders each week.

Come along for great fun, toys, craft activities and lots, lots more!