



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 7th February 2020

Half Term Break

School Closes on Friday 14th February and Re-Opens on Monday 24th February 2020

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points – This Week

245

189

225

153

Total House Points for the Year To-date

2888

2447

2606

2448

Merit Badges – This Week

Reception		CS		
Year 1	CS			
Year 2				FMcW
Year 3	LE			IW
Year 4		RR		
Year 5	HS			IP
Year 6		KM		AE

Golden Table

Rec	SS	Y1	AW	Y2	AG
Y3	CO	Y4	TZ	Y5	EMcK
		Y6	AE		

Children's Favourite Dishes This Week

Menu for Week Comm.
10th February 2020

Main:

Curry & Rice

Pudding:

Flapjack



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

Wellbeing Quote of the Week



Each week we are 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.

The person who can't make a mistake can't make anything.

Dates for Your Diary

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

FEBRUARY 2020

Sun 9th to Sat 15th
Ski Trip

Mon 10th to Fri 14th
Internet Safety Week

Mon 10th
Year 1 Class
Assembly -9.05am
Parents/Carers
Welcome

Year 5 & Year 6
Football Match
verses Prenton
Prep at 4pm

Fri 14th
School Closes for
the Half Term
Break at normal
time

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



**HALF TERM
MON 17TH TO**

EYFS (Nursery, Pre-School & Reception Trip to Little Edenville

The children in Nursery, Pre-School and Reception had a wonderful time at Little Edenville this week, where they explored many activities to help develop their personal, social and emotional skills. There are more photographs on the school website.



Amazing LAMDA Results



received glowing reports and every child passed with 17 receiving a distinction (the highest grade you can receive). We are very proud of them!

Huge congratulations to all the Speech and Drama pupils who entered the recent LAMDA Examination on Friday the 30th November 2019. The results were outstanding! 18 pupils entered the examination which involved memorising poetry and prose and a discussion with the examiner. All the children

PTA Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended today's PTA meeting. If you would like to get involved in planning or helping at any of the events the PTA will be holding please contact the school office and we will pass on your details.

**Join Us!
PTA
Meeting**

Junior Drama Club Performance "Sharing of Work" (Year 3 to Year 6)

FRI 21 FEB

Mon 24th

Children return to school

Tues 25th

Parent E-Safety Information Meeting
3pm

Thur 27th

Cross Country Race Arrowe Park at 4.15pm

Fri 28th

E-Safety Sharing Assembly 9.05am
Parents/Carers Welcome

MARCH 2020

Thur 5th

World Book Day

Mon 9th to Fri 13th

EYFS Stay & Play Week

Wed 11th

M&M Theatre - Wizard of Oz
Rec to Year 6

Mon 23rd

Year 2 Class Assembly - 9.05am
Parents/Carers Welcome

Fri 27th

EYFS Magic of Sound Event 2pm

Mon 30th

Parents Evening Meetings (Rec, Y1, Y4 & Y6)

Tue 31st

Parents Evening Meetings (Y2, Y3 & Y5)

APRIL 2020



Thank you to the parents/carers who attend the Junior Drama Club performance today we hope you enjoyed seeing what the children have been learning in Drama Club.

Ski Trip

Sunday 9th to Saturday 15th February

30 children from Year 4 to Year 6 and 4 members of staff will be jetting off to Italy, skiing on Sunday 9th February. We wish them well, as they enjoy this exciting opportunity.



Extra-Curricular Clubs

Owing to the Ski Trip the following clubs will **NOT** take place next week:

- Morning VR on Tuesday & Friday
- After School VR on Wednesday
- UK Maths After School on Tuesday



Internet Safety Week

Monday 10th to Friday 14th February



Monday 10th to Friday 14th February is Internet Safety week and the children will be participating in specific activities and workshops to support their ongoing learning about staying safe online.

The key theme for this year is being 'Free to be Me' and the children will be sharing their learning in a **special assembly on Friday 28th February at 9.15am. Parents are very welcome to join us.**

Year 1 Class Assembly

Monday 10th February at 9.05am

The children of Year 1 would like to invite you to their Class assembly on Monday 10th February starting at 9:05am in the School Hall. Refreshments will be available from 8.50am. Thank you for your support and we do hope that you will be able to join us.



Year 5 & Year 6 Football Match at Prenton Prep

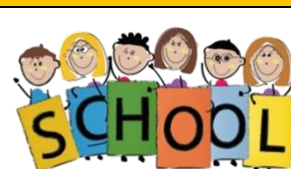
Monday 10th February at 4pm



A team of children will be representing Avalon School at the football match against Prenton Prep on Monday 10th February at 4pm. Thank you to the parents/carers offering lifts to the children taking part. Good Luck Team Avalon!

Reception Class Place – September 2020

A letter has been sent to all our Pre-School children parents/carers regarding the allocation of place in our Reception Class for September 2020. Please return your reply slips as soon as possible to secure your child's place. If you like to take the opportunity to meeting with Miss Hardy, our Reception Class teacher, to talk about what we can offer your child in September 2020 please speak to your child's keyworker.



Half Term Break

Monday 17th to Friday 21st February

The school will close for the half term break on Friday 14th February and re-opens on Monday 24th February. The S4YC holiday club will be running during the half term break.

Wed 1st

Performing Arts
Concert
2pm

Fri 3rd

Year 6 Art Trip
Liverpool Tate
Gallery Optical Art
Exhibition

School Closes for
Spring Break at
the normal time

**S4YC Holiday
Club Available
for
Spring Break**



**SPRING BREAK
MON 6TH TO FRI
17TH APRIL**

Mon 20th

Staff INSET Day

Tue 21st

Children return to
School

S4YC Holiday Club

Half Term Break Monday 17th to Friday 21st February



S4YC will be running their holiday club at Avalon School during the half term break, from Monday 17th to Friday 21st 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. See flyer below for more information.

Parent E-Safety Information Meeting

Tuesday 25th February at 3pm

We will be holding a parent e-safety workshop on Tuesday 25th February at 3pm. There will be guest speakers along with Avalon staff who will share activities and resources on how the school and you can help keep children safe online. We do hope that you will be able to attend the workshop as we discuss this very important topic. If you would like to attend please complete and return the reply slip which can be obtained from the school office.



Cross Country Race at Arrowe Park

Thursday 27th February at 4.15pm



A team of children will be representing Avalon School at the cross country race in Arrowe Park on Thursday 27th February at 4.15pm. Thank you to the parents/carers offering lifts to the children taking part. Good Luck Team Avalon!

E-Safety Sharing Assembly

Friday 28th February at 9.05am

On Friday 28th February at 9.05am, we will be celebrating and sharing a variety of the activities and learning that children will have participated in during Internet Safety week, such as songs, quiz questions, role play and other cross curricular pursuits.

We would very much like parents to join us for this very special event, so that parents can also gain a better understanding of how we can teach children about online safety. We anticipate that the assembly will last for around 30 to 40 minutes.

We look forward to seeing you there and for your ongoing support with this very important topic.



Safeguarding: Information for parents regarding Tik Tok App



It has come to our attention that children are using the app Tik Tok and that this poses some very credible risks to children's safety. The age recommendation for Tik Tok is 13 years. Please follow this link for further safety tips and advice regarding this app:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

Breakfast Club Commences at 7.45am Monday to Friday



We kindly remind parents that Breakfast Club commences at 7.45am each morning (Monday to Friday) during term time as Breakfast Club staff are not available to receive children prior to this time. Parents should escort their child

into the school hall where they will be received by the Breakfast Club staff and asked to sign to in. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Pre-Loved Uniform

Thank you for your support last term. In the last year we have raised over **£550**. We will do a stock take ready for the third week of Spring Term and we will hold a couple of sales during the first half of term but if you do have any requests for uniform please email on uniformpta@gmail.com. We are very low on Nursery/Pre-School Uniform so if you have anything at home, please do drop it off at the School Office.



No Nuts in School



We kindly remind all parents that any food brought in to school should not contain nuts or traces of nuts in any form as we do have children with severe allergies within the school. We ensure that all foods and drinks prepared in school do not contain nuts, to protect all children and staff. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

No Dogs Allowed on the School Premises

For health and safety reasons please can we reminder parents/carers that dogs should not be brought on to the school premises at any time. Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.



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 or annevans@avalon-school.co.uk

Running Goals! Running Club

RUNNING GOALS

BEGINNER & IMPROVER RUNNING GROUP

BRING NEW MEANING TO
"THE SCHOOL RUN"



WWW.RUNNINGGOALS.CO.UK

RUNNING COACHING FOR ALL ABILITIES

GROUP INFO:

EVERY TUESDAY AT 8.50AM
AVALON SCHOOL
£5 PER SESSION

DROP THE KIDS OFF
ENERGISE YOUR DAY
HAVE FUN WHILE GETTING FIT



CONTACT:
INFO@RUNNINGGOALS.CO.UK

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Term Dates 2019-2020

2019/2020

Spring Term

Staff Training Day	Monday 6 th January 2020
Term Starts	Tuesday 7 th January 2020
Half-Term	Monday 17 th to Friday 21 st February 2020
Ends	Friday 3 rd April 2020 – Normal Finish Time

Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 20 th April 2020
Term Starts	Tuesday 21 st April 2020
May Day	Friday 8th May 2020
Half-Term	Monday 25^h May to Friday 29th May 2020
Ends	Friday 10 th July 2020 – Normal Finish Time

2020/2021	
Autumn Term	
Staff Training Days	Tuesday 1 st & Wednesday 2 nd September 2020
Term Starts	Thursday 3 rd September 2020
Half-Term	Monday 19th October to Friday 30th October 2020
Ends	Tuesday 15 th December 2020 at 12 noon
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Wednesday 6 th January 2021
Term Starts	Thursday 7 th January 2021
Half-Term	Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2021
Ends	Thursday 1 st April 2021 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 19 th April 2021
Term Starts	Tuesday 20 th April 2021
May Day	Monday 3rd May 2021
Half-Term	Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021
Ends	Tuesday 13 th July 2021 – Normal Finish Time



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

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Headteacher: Mrs J Callaway jcallaway@avalon-school.co.uk

The Magic of Sound

Friday 27th March at 2pm
Avalon School Early Years
(2 to 5 years)

An afternoon of **FREE** fun activities
for you and your little one to explore
and discover together ...

THE MAGIC OF SOUND

Limited availability, call us now or
email to reserve your place

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**AVALON**



Parent Toddler Group

1.45pm to 3pm
every Thursday
during term time.

£3 per child
including refreshments

Guest
Sessions Leaders
each week.

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

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Story Explorers Dates

13th February 2020
5th March 2020
19th March 2020
2nd April 2020

Rhythm Time Dates

27th February 2020
12th March 2020
26th March 2020

February Half Term HOLIDAY CLUB



Where to find us:

Play scheme and preschool courses are running throughout February half term from 8am - 6pm, 5 days a week, with additional sports courses from 8.45am - 3.15pm, 2 days a week (see our sports course leaflets for further information).

**Avalon (CH48 2HE) - Bishop Wilson (CH64 5SE) - Huntington (CH3 6EA)
St Luke's (WA6 7QP) - The Firs School (CH2 2HJ) - Woodlands (CH66 2JT)**

Visit iPal and the s4yc website for more details regarding dates and prices and keep an eye out for further updates and holiday club news and offers on our facebook page.

How to book:

ALL HOLIDAY CLUB PLACES AND PRESCHOOLS NOW NEED TO BE BOOKED VIA OUR ON-LINE BOOKING SYSTEM BY FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW:

1. Log onto www.s4yc.co.uk
2. On the homepage click on the "Bookings" tab
3. If you are not already registered, complete the "New Parent Registration" filling in ALL details. You will then need to add your child/children
4. Click "Book Courses"
5. Select "Holiday Clubs"
6. Follow the easy 1 click options to book your child in
7. Payment is required at the time of booking. If paying by Childcare Vouchers you will also need to log onto your voucher provider's account and make the payment manually to S4YC. This can take up to 5 working days to be verified.

For all online support contact support-s4yc@ipal.education



Disclosure & Barring Service

www.s4yc.co.uk - info@s4yc.co.uk

What we offer:

Our 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.

PARENT: "More than just a playscheme, my children don't want to come home!"

OFSTED: "Children enjoy their time in a very warm and welcoming environment where dedicated staff have a good understanding of how to keep them safe and secure."

CHILD: "I Love Holiday Club, we have fun, I get to play with my friends."

A typical day:

8.00am: Doors open / registration
8.15am: Breakfast / games / free play
9.15am: 1st Craft activity / sports / games / free play
10.30am: Morning break / outdoor play
11.00am: 2nd Craft activity / sports / games / free play
12.15pm: Lunch time
12.45pm: Outdoor play / games / free play
1.45pm: 3rd Craft activity / sports / games / free play
2.45pm: Free play indoors and outdoors
4.15pm: Evening snack
4.45pm: Craft / games / outdoor play / free play
6.00pm: Collection

Things to consider:

Not all of our settings are open during the school holidays but, due to the number of holiday clubs we do offer, there is always an available play scheme close by.

We advise you provide your child with weather appropriate clothing such as trainers, sun hat, sun cream, healthy snacks, a packed lunch and plenty of drinks (not fizzy).
Breakfast and a light afternoon snack are provided.

We accept childcare vouchers:

KiddiVouchers

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