



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 13th March 2020

Taking DfE, Government and Public Health England advice we are continually reviewing school events in relation to children's, staff and parents' health and safety with regards to the current Coronavirus situation. If any changes to planned school events occur, we shall update parents accordingly and as soon as possible.

Please click on the links below for further news and useful information

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points – This Week

186

170

166

120

Total House Points for the Year To-date

3586

2999

3173

2973

Merit Badges – This Week

Reception					SMcW
Year 1				NL	
Year 2					SC
Year 3				CR	
Year 4				GK	
Year 5			EP		EMcW
Year 6	HM				NV

Golden Table

Rec	SO	Y1	EP	Y2	EK
Y3	EP	Y4	EW	Y5	EP
		Y6	ZC		

Main

Creamy Chicken & Rice

Pudding:

Waffleberry Pie & CustardFollow 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.

"Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough." Oprah Winfrey

Dates for Your Diary**NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS****MARCH 2020****Mon 23rd**

Year 2 Class

Assembly -

9.05am

Parents/Carers

Welcome

Wed 25th

Action Against

Hunger

Sponsored Sing-

A-Long

Fri 27th

EYFS Magic of

Sound Event 2pm

Mon 30th

Parents Evening

Meetings

(Rec, Y1, Y4 & Y6)

Please note that there will be NO extra-curricular clubs after school on this day.

Tue 31st

Parents Evening

Meetings

Charles Thompson Mission Appeal

To support the work of the Charles Thompson Mission we would be most grateful for donations of the following items:

- Warm clothes for adults over the age of 18 (both male and female) including coats and jackets
- Men's boxer shorts
- Men's jeans sizes 30-34"
- Trainers size 9
- Joggers size M and L
- Sleeping Bags & 2 Man Tents
- Toiletries
- Washing up liquid
- Cooking oil, Tinned soup, Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Cereals, Long Life Milk and Juice



All food items should be within "best before" dates. All clothing items must be new or in excellent condition. Donations can be deposited in the wheelie bin outside the school office. Thank you for your support.

EYFS (Nursery, Pre-School & Reception) 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.

RSE Parent Workshops

Thank you to all the parents who attended our RSE Parent Workshops this week. We do hope that you found it informative. Information and resources will be made available on the Parents' area of the school website for those parents unable to attend.

**Year 2 Class Assembly****Monday 23rd March at 9.05am**

(Y2, Y3 & Y5)

Please note that there will be NO extra-curricular clubs after school on this day.

APRIL 2020

Wed 1st

Performing Arts
Concert
2pm

Thur 2nd

PTA Movie Night –
Hop! at 5.30pm

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

MAY 2020

Fri 1st

Open Morning
9am to 12pm

**Mon 4th to Thur
6th**

Year 6 Oaklands
Residential



we do hope that you will be able to join us

The children of Year 2 would like to invite their parents/carers to their Class assembly on Monday 23rd March starting at 9:05am in the School Hall. Refreshments will be available from 8.50am. Thank you for your support and

Action Against Hunger Sponsor Sponsored Sing-A-Long Wednesday 25th March

Last week, Mrs McGregor's youngest daughter, Georgia, came into school to talk to the whole school about the challenge she is taking part in with some other students from her university in September. Georgia and the team are going to be climbing 'Machu Picchu' in Peru to raise money for the charity 'Action Against Hunger,' which is a global charity committed to saving the lives of malnourished children in over 40 countries. To help Georgia with her fundraising, the whole school will be taking part in a sponsored 'Singalong' on Wednesday 25th March. Sponsor forms should be returned to school on Wednesday 25th March.

Donations can also be made directly to Georgia's 'justgiving' page (see link below.)

<https://machu-picchu-trek-2020.everydayhero.com/uk/georgia-s-action-against-hunger-challenge-2>



EYFS Event – The Magic of Sound Friday 27th March

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

Avalon School, Caldry Road, West Kirby, Wirral, CH48 2HE
T: 0151 625 6993 E: schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk

AVALON

Parents Evening Meetings

Monday 30th March – Reception, Year 1, Year 4 & Year 6

Tuesday 31st March – Year 2, Year 3 & Year 5

Appointment times have been sent out to parents this week. We will try our best to accommodate all appointment requests however should an appointment time not be convenient please contact the school office and an alternative appointment will be arranged on a different day. Refreshments will be available in the school hall.

Monday 30th March – Reception, Year 1, Year 4 and Year 6

Tuesday 31st March – Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5

Don't forget
parents
evening!

Fri 8th
May Bank Holiday

Mon 11th
Reception Class
Assembly -
9.05am
Parents/Carers
Welcome

Tue 12th
Class
Photographs

Reception Class
Mini Beast Hunt

Fri 15th
Year 5 & Year 6
Careers Fair

Sat 16th
PTA May Ball

**Thur 21 to Fri
22nd Year 4**
Delamere
Residential

Fri 22nd
School Closes for
the Half Term
Break at normal
time



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



**HALF TERM
MON 25TH TO
FRI 29TH MAY**

JUNE 2020

Mon 1st

**Please note that there will be NO extra-curricular clubs led by Avalon staff on these days.
However, Inventors Club & S4YC Infant Football WILL still be taking place.**

**Pre-School Visit to The Old Garden Residential Home
POSTPONED**

POSTPONED

We recently wrote to you, to invite your child to 'The Old Garden' Residential Home for Easter celebrations and to meet the residents. We have made the decision to postpone the visit due to corona virus implications.

As a school, we are continually being updated from Public Health England and our Local Authority, as you may be aware from the media that elderly people may be more susceptible to this illness and we do not wish to put either our pupils or residents at any risk. We will reschedule the visit in the future.

**Performing Arts Spring Concert
Wednesday 1st April at 2pm**



**PERFORMING ARTS
SPRING CONCERT**

You are cordially invited
to our
Performing Arts Spring Concert
to be held in the School Hall
on
Wednesday 1st April 2020
at 2pm.

All children from Reception
to Year 6 will be involved.

Please come along to enjoy
an entertaining afternoon of
songs, poems, instrumentalists
and performances.



**PTA Movie Night – Hop
Thursday 2nd April at 5.30pm**

The PTA will be holding a Movie Night on Thursday 2nd April at 5.30pm in the school hall. Look out for more details next week.



Children return to school

S4YC Holiday Club Monday 6th to Friday 17th April



Booking can be made via the S4YC website <https://s4yc.schoolipal.co.uk/>
See flyer below for details of all the exciting activities.

The main entrance gates will be set on manual override, so that parents/carers will be able to gain access on site for the holiday club more easily. For safeguarding and security purposes it is therefore very important that the gates are closed behind you on entering or exiting the school site. Please use the side hall door to drop off or pick up your child.

Spring Break Monday 6th to Friday 17th April

School will close at the normal time on Friday 3rd April and re-open to children on Tuesday 21st April.

Netball Tournament at Hulme Hall



Well done to the children who represented Avalon School in the netball tournament at Hulme Hall this week and although we didn't win the tournament, we were winners in teamwork, playing with enthusiasm, stamina and resilience!

M&M Theatre

As we had to close the school on Wednesday because of the water leak on Caldry Road which meant we had no water, we will be re-arranging for M&M Theatre to visit the school in the near future. We are just awaiting a confirmed date from M&M to re-schedule.



Football Tournament at The Oval



Well done to the children who represented Avalon School at an interschool football tournament at The Oval this week and although we didn't win overall, the team performed fantastically well.

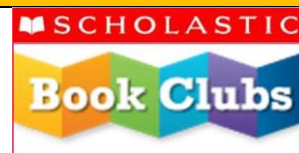
Sports Relief Event

Everyone had great fun today, dressing up in red and joining in the Sport Relief challenge of running around the school grounds whilst raising money for this worthwhile cause. So far, we have raised **£355.70** and we are still counting. We will let you know the full total raised next week!



Scholastic Book Club

Our new **Scholastic Book Club is up and running!**
Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/avalonschool> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 25p** in Scholastic Rewards.



Please place your **order online by March 13th, 2020.**

Please note that orders can only be placed and paid for online.

Please do not bring orders or payments into the school office as we will not be able to process them for you. Thank you.

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 meet 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.



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

We have been able to donate some uniform to Wirral F.U.P.S (Free Uniforms for Primary School) which is great. We still have a good selection of uniform for all ages, so please email us on uniformpta@gmail.com and check out the PTA Facebook page for posts: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1008891665814623/>.



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

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 17th to Friday 21st 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 3 rd May 2021
Half-Term	Monday 31 st May to Friday 4 th 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

Avalon Parent Toddler Group

Parent Toddler Group

Story Explorers
Creative Play - Storytelling - Adventures

rhythm time
Spring Term

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

19th March 2020
2nd April 2020

Rhythm Time Dates

26th March 2020



WHERE TO FIND US

PLAY SCHEME AND PRE-SCHOOL CLUBS ARE RUNNING DURING THE EASTER HOLIDAYS FROM 8AM - 6PM. WITH ADDITIONAL SPORTS COURSES ON VARIOUS DATES AT EACH SCHOOL FROM 8.45AM - 3.15PM.

AVALON PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH48 2HE)
6TH - 17TH APRIL

THE FIRS PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH2 2HJ)
6TH - 17TH APRIL

WOODLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH66 2JT)
6TH - 17TH APRIL

BISHOP WILSON PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH64 5SE)
6TH - 17TH APRIL

HUNTINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH3 6EA)
6TH - 17TH APRIL

ST LUKE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL (WA6 7QP)
6TH - 17TH APRIL



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



CHILD CARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED



S4YC.CO.UK



EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS



BOOK HERE >



EASTER

HOLIDAY PLAYScheme 6TH - 17TH APRIL

BOOKING INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE BACK PAGE OR GO TO WWW.S4YC.CO.UK

AGES 2 - 11

8.00am - 5.00pm

We 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!

EASTER

SPORTS CLUB 6TH - 17TH APRIL

BOOKING INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE BACK PAGE OR GO TO WWW.S4YC.CO.UK

AGES 5 - 11

8.45am - 3.15pm

AVALON PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH48 2HE)
6TH - 9TH APRIL

THE FIRS PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH2 2HJ)
14TH & 15TH APRIL

WOODLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH66 2JT)
16TH & 17TH APRIL

BISHOP WILSON PRIMARY SCHOOL (CH64 5SE)
8TH & 9TH APRIL

WHERE WE ARE
AVALON PRIMARY (CH48 2HE)
THE FIRS PRIMARY (CH2 2HJ)
WOODLANDS PRIMARY (CH66 2JT)
BISHOP WILSON PRIMARY (CH64 5SE)
HUNTINGTON PRIMARY (CH3 6EA)
ST LUKES PRIMARY (WA6 7QP)

A TYPICAL DAY

8.00 AM: DOORS OPEN / REGISTRATION
8.15 AM: BREAKFAST / GAMES / FREE PLAY
9.15 AM: 1ST CRAFT ACTIVITY / SPORTS / GAMES / FREE PLAY
10.30 AM: MORNING BREAK / OUTDOOR PLAY
12.15 PM: 2ND CRAFT ACTIVITY / SPORTS / GAMES / FREE PLAY
LUNCH TIME
12.45 PM: OUTDOOR PLAY / GAMES / FREE PLAY
1.45 PM: 3RD CRAFT ACTIVITY / SPORTS / GAMES / FREE PLAY
2.45 PM: FREE PLAY INDOORS AND OUTDOORS
4.15 PM: EVENING SNACK
4.45 PM: CRAFT / GAMES / OUTDOOR PLAY / FREE PLAY
6.00 PM: 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, sunscreen, healthy snacks, a packed lunch and plenty of drinks (not fizzy). Breakfast and a light afternoon snack are provided.

BOOK HERE >



HOW TO BOOK

Simply go to our website www.s4yc.schoolipal.co.uk and choose your holiday club to reserve your child's place.

A TYPICAL FOOTBALL CLUB DAY

08.45 - 09.15 REGISTRATION / ARRIVAL ACTIVITIES
09.15 - 10.15 FOOTBALL SKILLS, TRICKS AND FLICKS
10.15 - 10.45 SNACK AND DAILY SPORTS CHALLENGE
10.45 - 12.00 MINI TOURNAMENT
12.00 - 12.30 LUNCH BREAK
12.30 - 13.00 FREE PLAY
13.00 - 13.45 STRIKER SCHOOL
13.45 - 14.00 AFTERNOON BREAK
14.00 - 14.45 GOALKEEPER WARS
14.45 - 15.15 DAILY CERTIFICATES

A TYPICAL MULTISPORTS DAY

08.45 - 09.15 REGISTRATION / ARRIVAL ACTIVITIES
09.15 - 10.15 TENNIS AND DODGEBALL
10.15 - 10.45 SNACK AND DAILY SPORTS CHALLENGE
10.45 - 12.00 DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT
12.00 - 12.30 LUNCH BREAK
12.30 - 13.00 FREE PLAY
13.00 - 13.45 BASKETBALL OR NETBALL
13.45 - 14.00 AFTERNOON BREAK
14.00 - 14.45 CRICKET AND HOCKEY
14.45 - 15.15 DAILY CERTIFICATES

DON'T FORGET TO BRING:

A DRINK
SNACKS
PACKED LUNCH
SUITABLE CLOTHING
TRAINERS

BOOK HERE >



"MORE THAN JUST A PLAYScheme, MY CHILDREN DON'T WANT TO COME HOME!"
PARENT

"I LOVE HOLIDAY CLUB. WE HAVE FUN, I GET TO PLAY WITH MY FRIENDS."
CHILD

"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."
OFSTED

