



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2020

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points – This Week

88

99

82

65

Total House Points for the Year To-date

88

99

82

65

Merit Badges – This Week

Reception	LL			
Year 1				SMc
Year 2		NS		
Year 3	ME			
Year 4	LJ			
Year 5	GF		GK	
Year 6			IMc	IP

Golden Table

Rec	NP	Y1	SS-S	Y2	NS
Y3	HK	Y4	RH	Y5	EMc
		Y6	NJ		

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

Parent Information Meetings



We will be holding our parents/carers information meetings via Zoom video conferencing due to the current COVID-19 situation. Useful and important information will be shared about each year groups' curriculum, classroom routines, assessments and reporting along with other helpful material.

Meetings will be held:

Year Group	Zoom Meeting Date & Time
Nursery & Pre-School	4.30pm on Monday 14 th September
Reception	4.30pm on Tuesday 15 th September
Year 1	4.30pm on Wednesday 16 th September
Year 2	4.30pm on Thursday 17 th September
Year 3	4.30pm on Thursday 17 th September
Year 4	4.30pm on Thursday 17 th September
Year 5	4.30pm Wednesday 16 th September
Year 6	4.30pm Tuesday 15 th September

The meeting ID and Password will be sent to you via email, prior to your online meeting.

Any parents unable to attend the meeting will be sent all relevant information shared at the meeting.

Assessment & Monitoring



Children in Year 1 to Year 6 will shortly be commencing the InCAS assessments which helps to provide us with age-related diagnostics information and recommendations for each child, where required. The children will be undertaking these computer-based assessment modules over the next few weeks. Should you require any further information please see our [letter](#) sent out earlier this week or contact your child's form teacher.

Reopening Documentation & Guidance



Parent Guidance for Full School Reopening

[COVID-19 School Reopening](#)

Guidance if a child is displaying symptoms of Coronavirus:

Further guidance has been issued to schools this week with regards to what to do if a child is displaying symptoms of Coronavirus. Please note the guidance with regards to the self-isolation period below:

If anyone in school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and be advised to follow [covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance](#), this is the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.

This sets out that they must:

- self-isolate for **at least 10 days**
- arrange to have a [test to see if they have coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

Parents should ensure that they keep school fully informed if any child is displaying symptoms of Coronavirus and they must not attend school. Following a confirmed test result, parents should immediately notify school of the outcome.

Drop Off & Pick Up Times

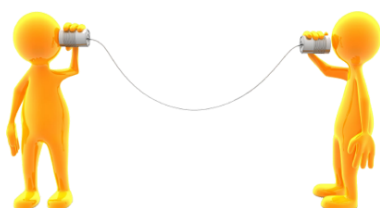


Parents and Carers, please ensure that you queue to the boundary wall side when dropping off or collecting children (so as not to block the full pavement width) and please keep social distancing, in the interests of everyone's health and safety. Thank you

Drop off and pick up from the main entrance on Caldý Road.

Year Group	Drop Off Time	Pick Up Times
Nursery	9.00am	1pm / 3.15pm
Pre-School	9.00am	1pm / 3.15pm
Reception	8.55am	3:00pm
Year 1	8:55am	3:00pm
Year 2	8.50am	3:10pm
Year 3	8.45am	3.30pm
Year 4	8.40am	3.30pm
Year 5	8.35am	3.40pm
Year 6	8.30am	3.45pm

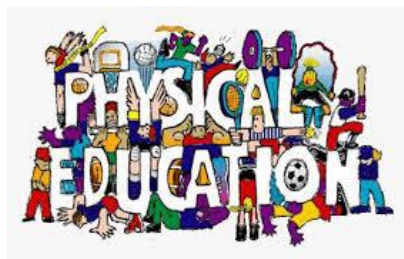
Lines of Communication



During the summer term, we introduced the use of a class email system to keep lines of communication open between parents and teaching staff, whilst parents were not permitted on to site. We would like to inform parents that the email contacts below, were re-instated and monitored from Monday 7th September, should you need to contact your child's Form Teacher or Key Worker, as appropriate. **Please note that teaching staff will endeavour to respond to emails by the next school day, however teaching staff will not respond to emails during weekends or holiday periods. For all other non-academic queries and concerns, please email the school office:

schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk

Year Group	Email Address
Nursery & Pre-School	<u>EYFS@avalon-school.co.uk</u>
Reception	<u>Reception@avalon-school.co.uk</u>
Year 1	<u>Year1@avalon-school.co.uk</u>
Year 2	<u>Year2@avalon-school.co.uk</u>
Year 3 & Year 4	<u>Year3.Year4@avalon-school.co.uk</u>

PE Days

Below are the days that the children will be having their PE Lessons. Children should come into school dressed in their full PE kit on their designated PE days. Please could we also request that children have their School Blazer or Waterproof Coat with them, particularly as the weather will soon be turning much cooler. Hats and Caps will not be required on designed PE kit days

Year Group	Days
Reception	Fridays
Year 1	Wednesdays & Fridays
Year 2	Wednesdays & Fridays
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Mondays
Year 5	Thursdays
Year 6	Fridays

Lunch Menu

Lunch menu for the week commencing 14th September 2020



Click on the following link for our [Lunch Menus](#)

Favourite Meal of the Week	
Main	Chicken Goujons, Chips & Beans
Pudding	Apple Crumble & Custard

PTA**Join the PTA!**

Due to the current pandemic the PTA activities are limited. The PTA would like to remind all parents that the PTA is registered on "Amazon Smile". This means that for those who shop on Amazon and set their account up to use 'Smile', and nominate the PTA as their charity, will result in Amazon making a donation to the PTA based upon a small percentage of what is spent. There should be no additional costs to use the site, and Amazon Smile is open to everyone. All funds raised by the PTA directly benefit all the children of Avalon School from Nursery through to Year 6. The PTA are currently raising money to purchase iPads for the school.

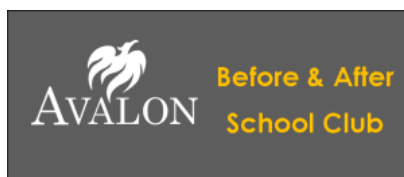
Wet Play Bags (Reception to Year 6)



As we start a new academic year, if any children need a new wet bag play, please contact the school office via email schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk.

All children in Reception and new children throughout the main school will be provided with a wet play bag and instructions as to what can be included.

Before & After School Childcare Provision



Before and After School childcare provision will be available Monday to Friday during term time at the following times until further notice:

Before School will be available from 8am each morning.

After School will be available from 3pm to 5.30pm each afternoon.

Please note that we will not be running extra-curricular clubs until further notice.

Before and After School can be booked on an ad-hoc basis or on a weekly, monthly or termly basis, however it will help us immensely in terms of staffing and allocation of space, if we have a better idea of what parents' requirements will be for these services, for the next half term ahead.

Term Dates 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 – 12 noon Finish
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



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPTEMBER 2020

Monday 14 th	Nursery & Pre-School Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm
Tuesday 15 th	Reception Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm Year 6 Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm
Wednesday 16 th	Year 1 Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm Year 5 Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm
Thursday 17 th	Year 2 Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm Year 3 Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm Year 4 Parent Information Meeting at 4.30pm

OCTOBER 2020

Friday 16 th	School finishes for the October Half Term at normal time
Monday 19 th to Friday 30 th	October Half Term Break

NOVEMBER 2020

Monday 2 nd November	Children return to school
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**Should you have any concerns or suggestions,
please do not hesitate to contact us:**

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