

### **AVALON SCHOOL**

## Weekly Newsletter Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021

#### The ABC



Link to the latest ABC: ABC Friday 5th February 2021

#### **CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS!**

#### **Achievement Certificates**



 Reception
 NF-T

 FS
 Year 1
 EH

 CP
 CE
 CS

 Year 3
 ME
 EK

 Year 4
 JG

Year 5 IA
BB
SB
GF
ML
JS

Year 6 LJ

#### Headteacher's Award



Year 1 RK

Year 6 NJ HS

#### **Mathletics**

#### **Pupil of the Week**



Reception to Year 2 AK
Year 3 & Year 4 IW
Year 5 & Year 6 NJ

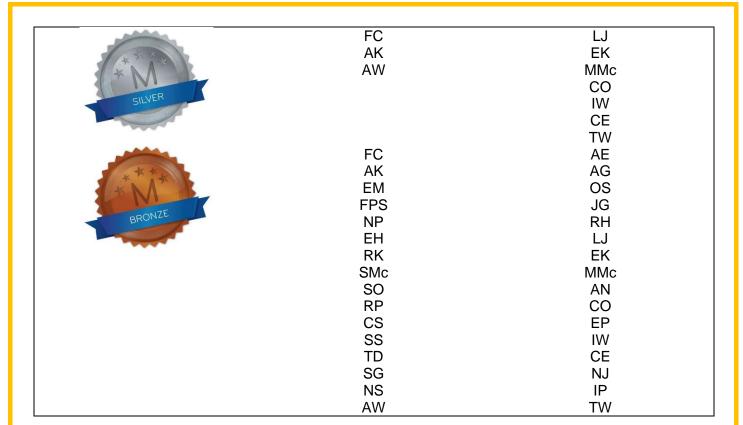
#### Certificates

Reception to Year 2
AW

Year 3 to Year 6 EK

CE





#### **NEWS. NOTICES & REMINDERS**

### Re-opening of School Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March



From Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March we are delighted to be re-opening school to all our children again. Parents and carers have been sent a letter and a Full Opening Parent Handbook with all the updated arrangements and details for the children's return to school. You can find these documents here.

Once again thank you to all our parents and carers for all of your support and assistance during the period of partial closures. Now we can all look forward to bringing our Avalon family back together and enjoying the some more normal routines once more.

#### **Reception Class Places September 2021**



The parents/carers of our Pre-School children, this week, received a letter regarding arrangements for children transferring from our Pre-School to our Reception class in September 2021. Reception class places are provisional held for all Pre-School children until Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Should you wish to secure a place for your child in our Reception class please complete and return the reply slip no later than Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Follow the link below for the reply slip: Reception Class September 2021 - Reply Slip

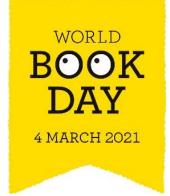
## Early Year Funding Forms Deadline – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March



Parents of children in our EYFS department who currently receive Early Year Funding have been sent the declaration form to sign so that we can continue to claim Early Years Funding for the summer. Likewise, those children new to the Early Years Funding scheme have been sent the parental agreement form to complete and return together with their child's birth certificate or current passport.

Completed forms should be return to the school office for the attention of Mrs Evans no later than Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Forms not returned by this date may result in parents losing their child's funding.

#### World Book Day Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021



World Book Day is Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March and our aim this year is to further the children's love of books and reading so we will be having a book focused day to celebrate World Book Day. The children will be able to engross themselves in reading, learning about authors, looking at illustrations and learning about illustrators.

Each child will receive a £1 book token which can be swapped for a special edition £1 book or can be used to be £1 off any full priced book from bookshops participating in the scheme. Tokens will be valid from 18<sup>th</sup> February until 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Class teachers have emailed out to parents what books and activities their classes will be taking part in.

### Comic Relief Red Nose Day Friday 19th March 2021



To raise money, we will be having a uniform day and ask that one item of clothing to be red or nose related. We will also have lots of other fun activities throughout the day.

As we would like children to wear something red or red nose related, we would ask for a suggested donation of £2.00 for non-uniform which will go towards the total money raised. When making your donation we would request that you do not send cash into school. Donations should be made via our JustGiving page using the link below:

#### https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/avalon-school1

We will again be selling red noses from the school office at £1.50 each (please note the increased price since last Red Nose Day). This Red Nose Day, there are 10 brand new Red Noses that are 100% plastic free! Children wanting



to purchase a red nose should bring their money in a named envelope to the school office.

Thank you for your support!

#### **Parent Evening Meetings**

Reception to Year – Week Commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> March Nursery & Pre-School – Week Commencing 29<sup>th</sup> March



We will again be using School Cloud, as our platform for parent's evenings.

From parent and teacher feedback we know that it is a more convenient system which enabling parents to set appointments with teachers and manage bookings online.

Login details and instructions on how to book appointments will be sent out to parents in due course.

### Early Year 30 Hour Funding Eligibility Code for the Summer Term Deadline – 31st March 2021



If you qualify for the extended 15 hours Early Years Funding and to enable us to claim this additional Early Years Funding for your child from Wirral Borough Council for the summer term, eligibility codes must be applied by or re-confirmed by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

To apply for or re-confirm your eligibility code follow the link: Childcare Choice - Funding Codes

Once you have applied for / re-confirmed your code please inform Mrs Evans via email <a href="mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk">annevans@avalon-school.co.uk</a>

It is the parent's responsibility to reconfirm their 30-hour eligibility code.

#### **Lines of Communication**



We have a Class email system available to keep lines of communication open between parents and teaching staff, during lockdown and whilst parents are not permitted on to site. Please see the email contacts below 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	EYFS@avalon-school.co.uk
Reception	Reception@avalon-school.co.uk
Year 1	Year1@avalon-school.co.uk
Year 2	Year2@avalon-school.co.uk
Year 3 & Year 4	Year3.Year4@avalon-school.co.uk
Year 5 & Year 6	Year5.Year6@avalon-school.co.uk

#### Before & After School Childcare Provision During Lockdown



Before School Club is available from 8am for all eligible children attending school during the partial closure. After School Club is available from 3pm (infants) / 3.30pm (Juniors) until 5pm. Late collections for any children (including Nursery and Pre-School Wraparound) will incur an additional charge.

The routines and procedures for dropping off at Before School Club and collecting from After School Club will continue as the autumn term arrangements. On arrival, please press the buzzer at the gate for assistances, your child(ren) will then be brought down to meet you at the gate.

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

### Term Dates 2020-2021 & 2021-2022



### Year 2020-2021

Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Term Starts	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Half-Term	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
Ends	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2021 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
Term Starts	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
May Day	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021
Half-Term	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2021
Ends	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 – Normal Finish Time

### Year 2021-2022

	Autumn Term
Staff Training Days	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021
Term Starts	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021
Half-Term	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
Ends	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 – 12 noon Finish
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Half-Term	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
Ends	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2022

May Day	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022
Half-Term	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022
Ends	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 – Normal Finish Time



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

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