



# AVALON SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021



**School closes for the Easter Break on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April and re-opens on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April.**

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

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Parents' Area	Letters to Parents/Carers - <a href="#">Letter &amp; Documents</a> Term Dates 2020/21 & 2021/22 - <a href="#">Term Dates</a>
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### CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS!



**St Andrew**



**St David**



**St George**



**St Patrick**

#### House Points – This Week

**101**

**110**

**73**

**101**

#### Total House Points for the Year To-date

**1810**

**1696**

**1845**

**1897**

#### Merit Badges

Reception

FS

Year 1

FL

Year 2

TD

Year 3

AG

Year 4

KH

Year 5

GF

JS

Year 6

CE

IP

#### Achievement Certificates



Reception

BF-T

Year 1

SO

Year 2

SG

Year 3

SS

Year 4

LE

Year 5

GK

AR

Year 6

LJ

EP

EP  
HS

## Headteacher's Award



Year 1

FL  
CP  
SS

## Mathletics

### Pupil of the Week!

Mathletics

Reception to Year 2 SMcW

Year 3 & Year 4 HL

Year 5 & Year 6 CE

### Certificates



EM  
HMcW  
TW



EM  
HMcW  
FPS  
TW  
AW



CE  
AG  
RH  
EH  
LaJ  
LyJ  
NJ  
RK  
EM  
CMcG  
HMcW  
SMcW

AN  
EP  
FPS  
NP  
EP  
CR  
JS  
NS  
TW  
AW  
IW  
EW

### Golden Table

Rec  
Y3

NF-T  
SC

Y1  
Y4  
Y6

FL  
JG  
SJ

Y2  
Y5

EP  
CMcG

## NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

### Comic Relief Red Nose Day

**RED  
NOSE  
DAY**

We raised an amazing **£822.50** from online donations and sale of red noses.

*Thank You!*  
FOR YOUR DONATION

### Parent Evening Meetings



Thank you to all the parents who attend this week's parents evening meeting we do hope that you found then informative. If any parent missed their appointment and/or needs to rearrange an appointment please contact Mrs Evans ([annevans@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk)) who will be able to assist you.

Thank you to all the Year 1 parents for your understanding in having to postpone your appointments. Year 1 Parents Evening Meetings have been re-arranged as follows:

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>'s appointments will now take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April**  
**and**  
**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>'s appointments will now take place on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

Appointment times will remain the same, if however parents need to amend these please contact Mrs Evans [annevans@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk)

### Parent Evening Meetings Nursery & Pre-School – Week Commencing 29<sup>th</sup> March



**APPOINTMENT BOOKING  
SYSTEM IS NOW CLOSED!**

**The appointment booking system has now closed.** Should you require assistance with making a book or wish to make any changes after this date please contact Mrs Evans [annevans@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk)



Parents' Evening Consultation appointments will take place on the following dated and should be booked accordingly:

Key Worker	Date
Mandy Elliott	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Alison Prandle	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Julie Bache	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Jackie Duffy	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Jo Rice	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021

To logon to School Cloud, please visit <https://avalon.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

### Lunch Menu



Lunch menu for the week commencing 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021.



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

Favourite Meal of the Week	
Main	Spaghetti & Meatballs

Pudding

Waffleberry Pie & Custard

## Early Year 30 Hour Funding Eligibility Code for the Summer Term

Deadline – 31<sup>st</sup> 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 [annevans@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk)

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

## Easter Break

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April



We will be closing for our Easter Break on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April at the usual time and reopening to the children on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April at the usual time. We hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break with lots of chocolate.



**Please note Before and After School care provision will be available as usual, see note below for further information about our wraparound facility.**

## Safer Road Watch Team



The Safer Road Watch Team has been in touch with School regarding their concerns over the speed of car along Caldry Road and the safety implications involved. We have been asked to make our whole school community aware that a group of vetted volunteers will shortly be issued with handheld speed radar guns and will be operating speed checks along Caldry Road. The group is hoping to establish a 20mph speed limit for Caldry Road, something that we have been campaigning for too.

## Pick Up and Drop Off 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 Caldry Road.

Year Group	Arrival Time	Pick-up Time
Nursery	From 8.30am	1pm (for morning sessions) 3.15pm (for afternoon sessions)
Pre School	From 8.30am	1pm (for morning sessions) 3.15pm (for afternoon sessions)
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

### Reception Class Places September 2021



There are still Reception class places available for Pre-School children. Should you wish to secure a place for your child in our Reception class please complete and return the reply slip. Follow the link below for the reply slip: [Reception Class September 2021 - Reply Slip](#)

### Sibling Drop Off and Collection

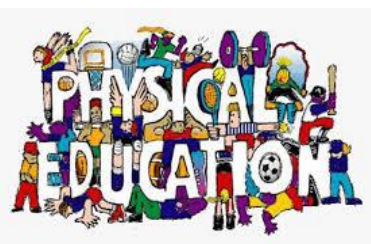


Staggered bubble group drop off and collection times are in place during drop off and collection to help reduce the risks of transmission of COVID-19.

Please could we ask that all parents and carers ensure that they do follow the staggered timings (as above) to help us manage drop off and collection of all children in the safest way possible.

**\*\*This is with the exception of siblings, where parents and carers may wish to drop off and collect children at the allocated time for the eldest sibling.**

### 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. As the weather is still chilly, we would request that the children wear either their school joggers or a pair on plain black jogger/leggings rather than shorts or skorts. Please could we also request that children have their School Blazer or Waterproof Coat with them. Hats and Caps will not be required on designated PE kit days.

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

### Breaktime Healthy Snacks





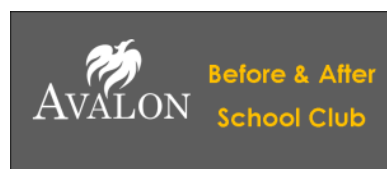
We have noticed recently that children are bringing break time snacks to school which are high in salt, sugar and fat such as salted popcorn, crisps and other sugary snacks. Please may we ask that children only bring healthy snacks such as fruit or vegetables for their break time snack. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

### Parking & Driving Around School



To help keep all members of our school community and our wider community safe please remember not to park on the zig-zag lines outside school when dropping off or picking up children and to aid visibility please avoid parking on the road directly outside school. We would also ask any parents using Warwick Drive to be extra careful and aware of pedestrians using this route to access school. We thank you for your continued support and understanding as we all adapt to different routines.

### Before & After School Childcare Provision



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 5.30pm. 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 assistance, 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.**

### Class Website Pages



Click on the links below to check out all the fun and exciting activities the children are doing in school:

<a href="#">Nursery &amp; Pre-School</a>	<a href="#">Reception</a>	<a href="#">Year 1</a>
<a href="#">Year 2</a>	<a href="#">Year 3</a>	<a href="#">Year 4</a>
<a href="#">Year 5</a>	<a href="#">Year 6</a>	<a href="#">Before &amp; After School</a>

### 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 logos, 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](mailto:accounts@avalon-school.co.uk) or [annevans@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk)

### Water Bottle



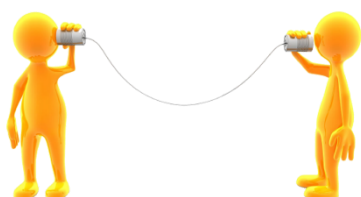
So that children can stay hydrated throughout the day and for health and safety reasons please ensure that your child brings to school each day a named refillable water bottle. Avalon School water bottles are available from the school for £2.00 each. If you would like to purchase a water bottle please email the school office, [schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk).  
Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe and healthy.

### Face Coverings



Can we please remind parents/carers that, in accordance with current government guidance and Wirral Local Authority Director of Public Health, we would kindly ask that face coverings are worn when collecting and dropping off your children at school, unless special exemptions apply.

### Lines of Communication



We have a Class email system available to keep lines of communication open between parents and teaching staff, 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](mailto:schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk)

Year Group	Email Address
Nursery & Pre-School	<a href="mailto:EYFS@avalon-school.co.uk">EYFS@avalon-school.co.uk</a>
Reception	<a href="mailto:Reception@avalon-school.co.uk">Reception@avalon-school.co.uk</a>
Year 1	<a href="mailto:Year1@avalon-school.co.uk">Year1@avalon-school.co.uk</a>
Year 2	<a href="mailto:Year2@avalon-school.co.uk">Year2@avalon-school.co.uk</a>
Year 3 & Year 4	<a href="mailto:Year3.Year4@avalon-school.co.uk">Year3.Year4@avalon-school.co.uk</a>
Year 5 & Year 6	<a href="mailto:Year5.Year6@avalon-school.co.uk">Year5.Year6@avalon-school.co.uk</a>

### Pre-Loved Uniform



All the current stock of Pre-Loved Uniform is now listed on the Avalon PTA Facebook. If there is anything specific you need please leave a comment on the page or drop an email to [uniformpta@gmail.com](mailto:uniformpta@gmail.com) and we will respond as quickly as we can and arrange to get it to you. So far this term **we have raised over £200** for the PTA which is great! Unfortunately, we are unable to accept any more uniform donations at the moment, but we will review this in the New Year.

### Uniform Supplier

We are aware of some pe items and the girl's pinafore are being discontinuing. Please be assured that we are working closely with our suppliers to find some suitable alternatives. We will keep parents updated and apologies for any inconvenience caused.

**Term Dates 2020-2021 & 2021-2022****Year 2020-2021**

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

**Year 2021-2022**

<b>Autumn Term</b>	
Staff Training Days	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021
Term Starts	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021
Half-Term	<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021</b>
Ends	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 – 12 noon Finish
<b>Spring Term</b>	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Half-Term	<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>
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	<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022</b>
Half-Term	<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022</b>
Ends	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 – Normal Finish Time



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### MARCH 2021

Week Commencing Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening Meetings – Nursery & Pre-School

#### APRIL 2021

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> School Closes for the Easter Break at the usual time

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Easter Break

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Staff INSET Day

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Children Return to School  
Year 1 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Year 1 Parents' Evening

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

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Tel: 0151 625 6993



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Headteacher: Mrs J Callaway [jcallaway@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:jcallaway@avalon-school.co.uk)