



AVALON SCHOOL & NURSERY

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 4th July 2025



**School finishes for the summer holidays on
Friday 11th July at the usual time
Children return to school on Wednesday 3rd September**

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NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

Holiday Camp at Avalon this Summer!



We are excited to announce that in partnership with Activity for All, we will be running a holiday camp this summer which will be open to children in Reception to Year 6 from Avalon School and children from the wider community.

The camp will run for the following two weeks:

Monday 4th August to Friday 8th August

Monday 11th August to Friday 15th August.

For more information, please click on the link below:

[Activity For All Summer Club at Avalon School](#)

To book a place directly, please use the link below:

Nursery to Year 6 After School/Wraparound Care

Friday 11th July 2025

Nursery & Pre-School Wraparound Care
Reception to Year 6 After School Care



After School Club and Wraparound Care will close earlier than usual at 5:00pm, instead of the usual 6:00pm. We kindly ask that you make arrangements to collect your child by 5:00pm on this day. Breakfast Club will still open at the usual time of 7.45am.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Extra-Curricular Club Update



All extra-curricular clubs have now finished for this academic year.

Parent & Toddler Group



Parent and Toddler group has now ended for this school year. Toddler group will return on **Wednesday 10th September 2025**.

End of Year Reports Nursery to Year 6



The End of Year Reports for children in Nursery to Year 6 have been sent home with the children today. Separated parents will receive a copy by post.

Year 5 11+ Refresher Sessions

Tuesday 26th August, Wednesday 27th August & Thursday 28th August



There will be three “refresher” sessions on:

Tuesday 26th August – 9.00am – 12.00pm

Wednesday 27th August – 9.00am – 12.00pm

Thursday 28th August – 9.00am – 12.00pm

All sessions to be held in the current Year 5 classroom. These are not compulsory, but children are welcome to join when they can.

For further information please click on the link below:

[Year 5 11+ Refresher training Letter](#)

Uniformity Summer Opening times and Online Order Guide

UNIFORMITY Schoolwear

Please click on the link below for information regarding summer shop opening times and details on how to order school uniform online.

[Uniformity Summer Ordering Letter](#)

Avalon PTA News



The PTA have had a busy summer term fund raising. A **BIG** thank you to our PTA for organising some fun events and to everyone who attended. They have raised:

£1,233 from the Strawberry Tea & Summer Raffle
£445.70 from the 3rd July Disco

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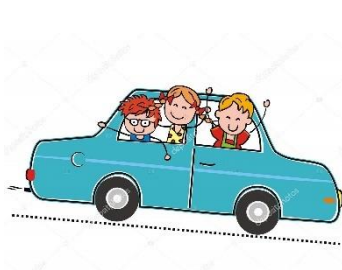
Help fund raise for Abalon School by buying your child's uniform labels from MyNameTags.

Go to www.MyNametags.com

Use the Avalon School unique ID 114883

For every purchase Avalon School will receive 24% commission

Year 6 Celebrate in Style!



As part of their fun-filled farewells, our incredible Year 6 class marked the end of their Avalon journey in serious style — arriving at Activity for All in a stretch HUMMER!



The afternoon was packed with exciting activities, laughter, and unforgettable moments with friends. A well-deserved celebration

House Cup Winners Reward Trip – Wildings Forest School at Claremont Farm



To celebrate their epic House Cup victory, St. George's headed out to Wildings Forest School at Claremont Farm for an unforgettable reward day!

They embraced the great outdoors with: Bushcraft skills; Campfire cooking with toasted marshmallows; Wild play and den building and environmental education with nature exploration.

The day was packed with teamwork, laughter, muddy boots, and memories that'll last a lifetime.



Year 3 Final Beach School Session



To wrap up a brilliant year of outdoor learning, Year 3 headed to the beach one last time! This session focused on how weather affects tides and how that knowledge helps us plan the safest and best times to visit the beach.



The children also created their very own journey sticks, collecting treasures like seashells and seaweed and driftwood, — each one telling the story of their beach adventure.

They also talked about the importance of looking after our coastline, and why it's so important to always leave the beach cleaner than we found it. A perfect end to a fantastic year of curiosity, discovery, and care for our environment.

Year 6 Fun Day



On Tuesday, Year 6 continued their end-of-year celebrations with a fantastic day out! After a lovely walk from school to West Kirby Beach, they made their way to Little Eye for a sand structure building competition and some impressive creations were made!



After a well-earned lunch, they headed to Ashton Park where they enjoyed playing on the equipment and making the most of the lovely weather.

Year 4 Final Beach School Session



This week, our Year 4 explorers took on the Beach Challenge Activity, working in teams to build amazing 3D sandcastles using sticks, elastic bands, and connecting balls. The creativity and teamwork were incredible!

After some serious building, they cooled off with a bit of rock pooling and paddling a perfect way to end the afternoon. As always, the beach was left clean and tidy.

Well done Year 4—you've made a splash this season!



Year 5 Trip to Hilbre Island Wednesday 2nd July 2025



Year 5's visit this year was a trip to Hilbre Island. Hilbre Island is one of three tidal islands (the others being Little Eye and Middle Eye) located at the mouth of the Dee Estuary, forming the Hilbre Islands Local Nature Reserve. They walked from school and met with the RNLI at Marine Lake, who talked the group through some safety information, particularly around the timings of the tides. Once on the beach, Year 5 made their way to Little Eye before exploring Hilbre Island via Middle Eye.

The weather was fantastic and the children arrived on the main island just in time for a well-earned lunch. After an explore of the island, including the old coastguard slipway, Year 5 sketched the scenery, ready for watercolour painting on our return to school.

The visit was completed with a visit to the Ice Cream shop in West Kirby!. It was a fantastic day out and after just over 8 miles (13km!) of walking they arrived back at school. It was great for the children to appreciate their local area and the beauty of the coastline around where they live.

PTA Reception to Year 6 Half Term Disco



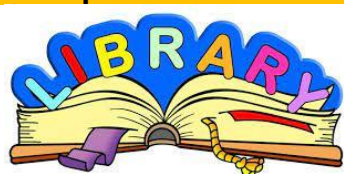
A huge THANK YOU to our amazing PTA for organising the final event of the school year — the Half Term Disco!

Children from Reception to Year 6 had an absolute blast dancing, playing games, and enjoying all the tasty treats from the tuck shop. What a fantastic way to wrap up hard work and dedication made it a night to remember — we're so grateful.



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Reception Visit to West Kirby Library



Our Reception children had a wonderful time during their visit to West Kirby Library! They were set a fun challenge to find fiction and non-fiction books all about Summer, linking to their current topic. It was lovely to see them working together, exploring the different features of each genre, and sharing stories with each other.

After a bit more exploring around the library, they took a scenic walk back along the Wirral Way and finished the day with a well-deserved play in the local park!

Summer Days and Warmer Weather



As we are enjoying the warmer weather, please could we remind parents and carers to ensure their child brings to school a refillable water bottle to help them stay hydrated, a sun hat and has applied sunscreen as necessary each morning prior to coming to school. Many thanks for your co-operation and support.

For further information please click on the link below for our [Sun Protection Policy](#)

Pre-School Graduation Monday 7th July 2025 at 2pm



The children and staff of Pre-School would like to invite you to their Pre-School Graduation on Monday 7th July at 2pm. Refreshments will be available.

We kindly ask that the Pre-School graduates leave with their parents/carers immediately following the event to enable a safe dismissal and collection arrangements to continue as normal, for the remaining classes in school. Pre-School children will be dismissed to parents/carers by their key workers.

Thank you for your support and we do hope that you will be able to join us.

Reception to Year 6 Achievement Award Assembly Thursday 10th July 2025 at 2pm



The children and staff of the main school would like to invite you to their Achievement Awards on Thursday 10th July at 2pm in the School Hall. Refreshments will be available.

Thank you for your support and we do hope that you will be able to join us.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly Friday 11th July at 1.20pm



The children and staff of Year 6 would like to invite you to their leaver's assembly on Friday 11th July at 1.20pm. Refreshments will be available.

Thank you for your support and we do hope that you will be able to join us.

School Closes for the Summer Break



School closes for the summer break on Friday 11th July at the usual time.

After School Care will be available until 5pm.

We would like to wish the whole Avalon community a restful and enjoyable summer!

Autumn Term Invoices Reception to Year 6



The autumn term school fee invoices will be emailed to parents/carers in due course. Invoices are due for payment on the first day of the autumn term, **Wednesday 3rd September 2025** unless arrangements have been made for you to pay by direct debit / payment plan. Thank you.

Lunches



Lunch menu for the week commencing 7th July 2025

Day	Menu
Monday	Chicken Goujons & Potatoes, Yoghurt
Tuesday	Beef Chilli with Rice and Nachos Sticky Toffee Pudding
Wednesday	Pizza & Chocolate Crunch
Thursday	Meatballs & Waffleberry Pie
Friday	Fish & Chips and Rice Pudding

Favourite Meal of the Week	
Main	Chicken Korma
Pudding	Chocolate Crunch

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

IMPORTANT REMINDER Breaktime and Before Extra-Curricular Activities Snacks



We have a number of children in Avalon School with severe allergies. It is vitally important to ensure the health and safety of all the children that only fruit, cheese and vegetables are brought into school for break time snacks.

Snacks which are high in salt, sugar and fat such as salted popcorn, crisps, fruit winders and other sugary snacks are not appropriate to be brought into school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

PTA - Gift Amnesty



The PTA are looking for any duplicate/unwanted gifts you can donate for any future raffle prizes. If you can help, please drop off any gifts to the School Office.

We thank you in advance for any future donations.



House T-Shirt Ordering Reception to Year 6



During the spring and summer terms, we will be holding a number of inter-house events at which the children will need to wear a house t-shirt with School logo. If your child does not already have a house t-shirt or if you would like to order a new one, please complete and return the attached form to the school office as soon as possible.

The coloured t-shirts represent the houses as follows:

Blue – St Andrew	Yellow – St David	Red – St George	Green – St Patrick
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The t-shirt come in sizes 5-6 years, 7-8 years, 9-11 year, aged 12-13 yrs and small adult, there are samples of these sizes available at the school office. T-shirts cost £7.20 (inc. VAT) each which can be paid by cheque or preferably by internet banking. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept payments in cash.

Please access the order form on the link below:

[House T Shirt Ordering Letter](#)

Recycle Your Empty Printer Cartridges at School



As part of a recycling initiative, we are asking all parents and carers if they would kindly drop off any used Inkjet and toner cartridges to the blue Inkjet recycling box situated outside the school office.

Inkjet and toner cartridges can take up to 1,000 years to compose, so if we can help recycle them, and raise some money for the school at the same time, this is a win-win situation!



Safeguarding



To ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our pupils, we kindly remind you that parents and carers should only enter the school buildings when **with a member of staff or you have shared a valid Enhanced DBS check with the school.**

This is a vital part of our safeguarding procedures and helps us maintain a secure environment for everyone.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Safety Reminder!



We kindly remind parents that children should not play on the playground area, outside of school hours, unless closely supervised by an adult. Whilst we strive to ensure everyone's safety during school hours, we cannot be held liable for your children's safety once they have been collected and are in parents' care.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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.

It would also be much appreciated if parents consider the through traffic along Caldly Road and avoid attempting U-turns in the road. These sorts of manoeuvres in the road can be particularly dangerous for all road users and pedestrians during these busy times of day.

We thank you for your continued support and understanding as we all adapt to different routines.

Supporting Families Together: Wirral's Family Toolbox



At Avalon School and Nursery, we understand that parenting can be both rewarding and challenging. That's why we're proud to work in partnership with **Wirral's Family Toolbox** – a free online resource designed to support families in finding the right help, at the right time.

Family Toolbox is a space where you can explore practical advice, local services, and useful tools to help your family thrive. Whether you're looking for tips on routines, managing behaviour, mental health support, or advice on housing and finances, Family Toolbox connects you to trusted information and services – all in one place.

By accessing Family Toolbox early, families can often find solutions before challenges become more complex. This enables **early help**, which we at Avalon, strongly support, working alongside you to build a team around your child when needed.

To explore what's available and find support that works for you, visit:

👉 www.familytoolbox.co.uk

Together, we can help make sure every child has the best possible start.

Scooters and Bicycles



It is lovely to see children coming to school on their bicycles and scooters in the morning. However please could we ask that bicycles and scooters are not left on the school ground during the day for safety reasons.

Many thanks for your understanding and co-operation.

Earrings in School



It has come to our attention that there are a number of children wearing earrings in school. Our uniform policy states that for health and safety reasons no jewellery with the exception of a watch may be worn in school.

Therefore, we would be grateful if you could remind children to remove earrings and any other jewellery before coming to school.

We understand that a number of children have only recently had their ears pierced and although it is not ideal, in this instance could we ask parents/carers to ensure that earrings are covered each morning with plasters.

Once the 6-week healing process is complete the earrings should be removed and not worn during school time.

Start of the Day Arrangements



Before school club is from 7.45am to 8.30am. Children attending before school club should enter the hall via the main school glass entrance doors.

From 8.30am to 8.45am parents may drop children off at the school gate which will be manned by Avalon staff. Alternatively parents and carers who may wish to bring their child onto the school site and drop their child off at the allocated entrance doors.

For Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, this will be at the main glass entrance doors. For all Junior children, Year 3 to Year 6, this will be at the front door of the junior building.

Arriving late to School



Late attendance (after 8.45am). If your child is late coming into school, we then ask that parents ring the intercom for assistance and bring their child directly into the school office for registrations.

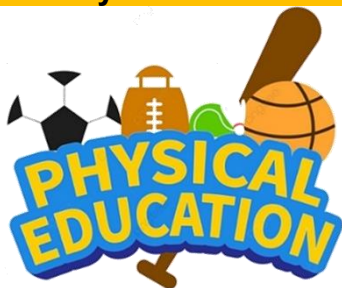
End of the Day Arrangements



Children's collection arrangements will be as follows:

Year Group	Collection Time	Collect From
Nursery & Pre-School	At the end of session	Nursery Entrance
Reception	3.05pm	Nursery Entrance
Year 1	3.05pm	Nursery Entrance
Year 2	3.05pm	Side door by the Hall
Year 3	3.40pm	Junior House Front Door
Year 4	3.40pm	Junior House Front Door
Year 5	3.40pm	Main School Glass Entrance
Year 6	3.40pm	Main School Glass Entrance

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	PE Day
Reception	Tuesday
Year 1	Wednesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Thursday
Year 4	Friday
Year 5	Friday
Year 6	Tuesday

Healthy Snacks



We know that many parents like to celebrate birthdays and other occasions with special treats. We encourage parents to celebrate with non-food items such as stickers, pencils, themed erasers, or other trinkets, rather than food.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Wet Play Bags



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. New wet play bags are charged at £5.00 each.

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.

Avalon School Water Bottles



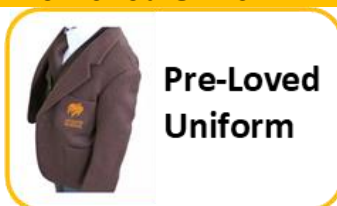
Should any children need a new Avalon School water bottle, please contact the school office via email schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk. New water bottles are charged at £2.75 each.

Uniform Supplier

UNIFORMITY Schoolwear

Uniform can be purchased from Uniformity Clothing using the link below:
<http://www.uniformityschools.com/>

Pre-Loved Uniform



Pre-Loved
Uniform

If you have any requests for uniform please email on uniformpta@gmail.com Whilst we are now in a position to accept donations, please can you make sure that all items donated are wearable and not threadbare, and clean. Also, we can **only** accept the following Avalon specific uniform:

- Blazers/Black Raincoats
- Caps/Hats/Boaters
- Brown V Neck Jumpers/Cardigans
- Brown PE Sweatshirts/Joggers
- Tunics/Summer Dresses

Please leave with the School Office. Thank 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 or annevans@avalon-school.co.uk



2024-2025

Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 14 th April 2025
Term Starts	Tuesday 15 th April 2025
Easter Bank Holiday	Friday 18 th & Monday 21 st April 2025
May Day	Monday 5 th May 2025
Half-Term	Monday 26 th May to Friday 30 th May 2025
Ends	Friday 11 th July 2025 Normal finish time

2025-2026

Autumn Term	
Staff Training Days	Monday 1 st & Tuesday 2 nd September 2025
Term Starts	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025
Half-Term	Monday 20 th October to Friday 31 st October 2025
Ends	Friday 12 th December 2025 12 noon finish
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 5 th January 2026
Term Starts	Tuesday 6 th January 2026
Half-Term	Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February 2026
Ends	Friday 27 th March 2026 Normal finish time
Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 13 th April 2026
Term Starts	Tuesday 14 th April 2026
May Day	Monday 4 th May 2026
Half-Term	Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May 2026
Ends	Friday 10 th July 2026 Normal finish time



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

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July

Monday 7th

Thursday 10th

Friday 11th

Pre-School Graduation

Infant & Junior Achievement Award Assembly

Year 6 Leavers Celebration

School closes for summer break at the usual time

After School Care available until 5pm

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that will benefit your child?



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You shop, brands donate to our PTA and
the best bit is it won't cost you anything extra!



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