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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS!



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points – This Week

157

106

127

102

Total House Points for the Year To-date

2880

2528

2666

2212

Merit Badges

Reception

A U

Year 1

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Year 2

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Year 3

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Year 4

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Year 6

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Achievement Certificates

Reception

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Year 1

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Year 3

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Year 6

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Headteacher Awards



	L M
Year 2	R P
	C S
Year 5	O A-Z
Year 6	A R

Mathletics

Pupil of the Week!



Reception to Year 2	M W
Year 3 & Year 4	A G
Year 5 & Year 6	I W

Golden Table

Rec	I C	Y1	S A	Y2	C S
Y3	H L	Y4	E K	Y5	L E
		Y6	A R		

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

Red Nose Day 2022

FUNDRAISING FOR



The children all looked wonderful in their red clothes for Red Nose Day. The children had a great day, enjoying different activities throughout the day, and they also got to enjoy some yummy red nose day cakes.



We have raised a fantastic **£444.90**. Thank you for your donations.

Thank You!
FOR YOUR DONATION

Tam O'Shanter Root Vegetable Donation Drop Monday 21st March



The school council will be visiting Tam O'Shanter Farm on Tuesday 22nd March for an educational visit. School council would like to support a local charity and have chosen to support Tam O'Shanter Farm. The farm solely relies on volunteer support to enable it to run and the children are hoping to possibly sponsor an animal too.

[Root Vegetable Drop Letter](#)

School council will be taking root vegetables to donate to the animals. The farm accepts donations of all root vegetables except sprouts and onions, these donations can be brought into school on Monday 21st March only. There will be two drop off points, the school office foyer, and

the nursery foyer. We hope you can support our local farm and the animals it cares for.

United Education Holiday Club PE Take Over Day Monday 21st March 2022



United Education, our holiday club provider, will be coming into school on Monday 21st March 2022 to provide a special day of exciting activities for all children in Reception to Year 6. The session will include some taster activities as part of the range that will be on offer at the forthcoming Easter holiday club.

All children will need to come into school in their PE kit, ready for a fun packed day.

United Education will also be available on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd March during the parent consultation evenings for parents/carers to discuss what activities will be available and all the arrangements for the holiday club.

Book Sale for Ukraine Tuesday 2nd March



We have been busily sorting out the school library and have some books that we no longer need. We have therefore decided to sell these books to raise money to help support the people of Ukraine.

The book sale will take place on Tuesday 22nd March, during break time, lunch time and after school in the School Hall, the children will have the opportunity to purchase books at a cost of 50p each. Children may bring a maximum of £5.00 to spend at the book sale. We would kindly ask that money is sent into school in a named purse or wallet and be in coins rather than note form.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Year 6 Walk to Caldry Hill



As part of the Year 6 English curriculum the children will be going on a walk to Caldry Hill on Wednesday 23rd March. During the walk the children will be making observations and notes in preparation for composing a descriptive poem and, of course, getting some exercise and enjoying the beautiful surroundings.

We will be leaving school at 10.00am and arriving back to school for 1.00pm. School will be providing the children with a packed lunch including a drink, which will be eaten while on the walk. Children are required to wear their school PE kit on the day, a pair of trainers that will be suitable for walking, and a waterproof jacket. Please could we ask that all children bring with them a small rucksack to carry their lunch in and small additional bottle of water. There will be no need for the children to bring any spending money.

To enable your child to attend the walk to the Caldry Hill it is important that the consent form below is completed and returned to the school office no later than Tuesday 22nd March.

[Year 6 Walk to Caldry Hill Letter](#)

Spring Term Year 3 Art & Design Food/Cookery Lessons



The Year 3 children will finish their cookery lessons this week, on Wednesday 23rd March. The children will be bringing home the dishes they have prepared to share with their family. In order for the children to bring home the food they have prepared, we would be most grateful if parents/carers could provide a tub with a lid.

[Year 3 Food/Cookery Lessons Letter](#)

Fundraiser for Nathan Young Easter Chocolate Hampers Raffle & Easter Egg Chick Sale



Following our visit from Nathan Young, a talented young deaf swimmer; the School Council have decided that they would like to fundraise to help support Nathan's training as he prepares to compete in Deaflympics in Brazil in 2023.

From Monday 7th March the School Council will be selling knitted chicks with a cream egg hidden inside for £2.00 each.

They will also be selling raffle tickets at £1.00 a strip for the chance to win one of two chocolate hampers.

So far we have raised a fantastic **£259.80**.

Thank You!
FOR YOUR DONATION

[Nathan Young Fundraiser Letter](#)

United Education Holiday Club Spring Term – BOOK NOW



We are very excited to announced that in partnership with United Education we will be running a holiday club start this easter break.

The booking system for the easter break is now open, please click on the link below to book a place.

<https://booknow.united-education.co.uk/project/26199>

Enter the code "PUPIL 10" to take advantage of a 10% discount off the daily rate.

Lunch Menu Next Week

Lunch menu for the week commencing 21st March 2022



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

Favourite Meal of the Week	
Main	Burger
Pudding	Ice Cream

FACE-TO-FACE Reception to Year 6 Parents Consultation Meetings Week Commencing 21st March



Meetings will be held in your child's classroom with their teacher. Parents/Carers will receive their child's progress report prior to their parent consultation meeting and have the opportunity to see their child's work.

Appointments can be made from **Friday 4th February from 4pm and close at 4pm on Friday 18th March**. Should you wish to make any changes after this date please contact the school office or annevans@avalon-school.co.uk Should you wish to make any changes after this date please contact the school office or annevans@avalon-school.co.uk

Please visit <https://avalon.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointments (A short guide on how to add appointments is included with this letter).

Class	Teacher / Key Worker	Dates & Times Appointments Available
Reception	Miss Hardy	Tuesday 22 nd March from 3.30pm to 5.00pm Wednesday 23 rd March from 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Year 1	Mrs Parkins	Tuesday 22 nd March from 3.30pm to 5.00pm Wednesday 23 rd March from 5.00pm to 6.30pm
Year 2	Mrs Roberts	Tuesday 22 nd March from 3.30pm to 5.00pm Wednesday 23 rd March from 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Year 3	Mrs Creedon	Tuesday 22 nd March from 4.00pm to 5.30pm Wednesday 23 rd March from 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Year 4	Miss Robertson	Tuesday 22 nd March from 4.00pm to 5.30pm Wednesday 23 rd March from 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Year 5	Mr Ashton & Mrs Kililiku	Tuesday 22 nd March from 4.00pm to 6.40pm Wednesday 23 rd March from 4.00pm to 6.50pm

Year 6

Mrs Kililiku & Mr Ashton

Monday 21st March from 4.00pm to 5.50pm
Thursday 24th March from 4.00pm to 5.40pm

[Parents Evening Consultation Letter and Guide](#)

Nursery & Pre-School Stay & Play Sessions Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th March



We would like to invite you to a "Stay & Play" session during the week commencing 21st March. You will have the opportunity to stay with your child and join in with learning activities. The Nursery and Pre-School staff will also be on hand to discuss progress and answer any questions you may have.

Stay & Play sessions are available for parents & carers either in the morning or the afternoon; please indicate on the slip attached within the letter, which session is best for you and return it to the school office **by Thursday 17th March**. Parents/carers must report to the Nursery office to sign in prior to attending the session. For any further enquiries, please contact the school office or your child's key worker.

[Nursery & Pre-School Stay & Play Letter](#)

The Great Big School Clean 2022



At Keep Britain Tidy, they believe that no one is too small to make a big difference and when we all come together, that big difference becomes a huge one. At Avalon School, we want to take part in the Great Big School Clean 2022 by each child pledging to pick up one full bag of litter between the dates of 25th March to 10th April.

Keep Britain Tidy say that if every child who attended school in the UK pledged to pick up just one bag of litter during the Great Big School Clean, we could remove 10.3 million bags of litter from our natural environment!

During the first week of the dates above, we will be completing our pledge in school. However, we would love the support from home and to look after our local environment as well, and ask you to help our pledge by picking up litter around where you live. We would love to see any photographs of your hard work.

[The Great Big School Clean Letter](#)

Performing Arts Concert Monday 28th March



The children have been practising for our Performing Arts Concert on Monday 28th March. For more information, please see the flyer at the bottom of the newsletter.

We look forward to welcoming you to the performance!

Joseph Performance Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th & Thursday 31st March



Rehearsals for the junior production of “Joseph” are well underway and the children are eager to share with you, what they have learned.

The evening performances on Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st March will begin at 5.45pm (doors open at 5.30pm) and will last for just over one hour. Refreshments will be served in the courtyard area outside the hall before the performances commence.

Tickets are on sale and are at a maximum of 100 tickets per performance. There will be unreserved seating although parents or family members who have disability or health circumstances and require special seating consideration should let the office know when you order your tickets.

Tickets will be £2.50 for adults and £1.50 for children. Any tickets for Avalon children, past or present are free. There will be no limit to the number of tickets that people can purchase. You may, of course, purchase tickets for any of the performances. Payment options are detailed on the order form. The last date to purchase tickets will be Thursday 24th March.

[Joseph Performance Letter & Order Form](#)

Reception to Year 2 Visit to Liverpool World Museum Thursday 31st March



World Museum

Following our World Book Day theme of ‘The Rainbow Fish’, an educational visit to Liverpool World Museum has been booked for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 on Thursday 31st March 2022. We hope the visit to the Aquarium will enhance the children’s learning about life under the sea.

The cost of the trip will be £6.00 which will include the cost of the coach and entry to the museum. The coach, (fitted with seatbelts), will set off from school at approximately 9:15am, please ensure your child arrives to school in plenty of time so we can organise ourselves for departure. The children will return to school in time for lunch.

School uniform must be worn, including blazers but not school hats. There will be no need for the children to bring any spending money.

In order to simplify the arrangements of trips, we will allocate a place for your child and the cost of £6.00, will be added to your summer term invoice. To enable your child to attend the trip to the museum it is important that the consent form below is completed and returned to the school office no later than Monday 28th March 2022.

[Liverpool World Museum Trip Letter](#)

Spring Break Monday 4th to Tuesday 19th April



We will be closing for our Easter Break on Friday 1st April at the usual time and reopening to the children on Wednesday 20th 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.

Year 6 Residential – Tattenhall Centre

Tuesday 3rd to Friday 6th May



We have reserved places for a Year 6 residential to the Tattenhall Centre in Cheshire in May 2022. As you will no doubt be aware, we have not been able to run residential for the previous two years and although the current guidance is for trips to be able to run, if there is any change in guidance in the upcoming weeks then we may need to review our preparations.

All the staff at the centre are suitably qualified to instruct the various activities and all specialist equipment is provided by the centre. The total cost of the visit will be £330 and this will include the cost of all travel, meals, insurances, accommodation, all activities and the use of the facilities. We would like all children to attend the residential as we believe it forms an important part of their social development and will also develop skills in numerous areas including Outdoor Adventurous Activities, which is part of the P.E. curriculum.

We ask that a deposit of £110 is payable to the school office by **Monday 28th February 2022** and that the balance of £220 is paid either in full by **25th April 2022** or instalments of:

Monday 28 February	£110 Deposit
Monday 28 March	£110
Monday 25 April	£110

[Year 6 Residential Trip Letter](#)

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 Caldy 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. Please be mindful when parking and avoid parking across residents driveways.

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

Spring Term

Extra-Curricular Clubs



Extra-curricular clubs are as follows:

Lower School Clubs (Reception to Year 2)

Day	Club	Time	Year Group
Monday	Ballet	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
	Football	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Wednesday	Construction Club	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Thursday	Dance	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Friday	Drama	12.35pm to 1pm	Y1 & Y2

Upper School Clubs (Year 3 to Year 6)

Day	Club	Time	Year Group
Monday	Football	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y4 - Y6
	Tinkercard	12pm to 12.30pm	Y6
Tuesday	STEAM	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y3 - Y6
	Verbal Reasoning	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y5
Wednesday	Joseph Performance	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y6
Thursday	Netball	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y4 - Y6
	Oliver!	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y5 & Y6
Friday	Drama	10.20am to 10.45am	Y3 & Y4
	Drama	12pm to 12.35pm	Y5 & Y6
	Chess	3.30pm to 4.30pm	Y3 to Y6

To sign up for:

Ballet and Jazz Dance click on this link [Ballet and Jazz Dance Sign Up](#)

Football click on this link [Football Sign Up](#)

Drama Club click on this link [Speech & Drama Sign Up](#)

For all other clubs this is done via Google forms, please click on the links below:

[Key Stage 1 Sign Up Form](#) (Reception to Year 2)

[Key Stage 2 Sign Up Form](#) (Year 3 to Year 6)

IMPORTANT REMINDER Breaktime Snack



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, and vegetables are brought into school for break time snacks.

We have also noticed recently that children are bringing in break time snacks to school which are high in salt, sugar and fat such as salted

popcorn, crisps, and other sugary snacks. These snacks are not appropriate to brought into school.

Arriving Late to School



For safeguarding purposes, can we please remind parents that if your child is going to be late for school, that you bring your child to the school office so we can ensure that your child has been signed in.

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 8.50am 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.

Late attendance (after 8.50am). 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.

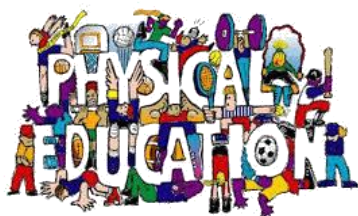
End of the School Day



Children's collection arrangements will be similar to pre-COVID and are detailed below as follows:

Collection Time	Class	Where to collect your child
At the end of nursery or pre-school session or nursery wraparound	Nursery & Pre School	Main nursery entrance doors
3.05pm	Reception	Nursery entrance doors
3.05pm	Year 1	Main school glass entrance doors
3.05pm	Year 2	Nursery entrance doors
3.40pm	Year 3	Junior building front door
3.40pm	Year 4	Junior building front door
3.40pm	Year 5	Main school glass entrance
3.40pm	Year 6	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	Days
Reception	Friday
Year 1	Monday
Year 2	Friday
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Wednesday
Year 5	Thursday
Year 6	Friday

Pre-Loved Uniform



Thank you all for your continued support of Pre-Loved Uniform. We are now in a position to take donations. Please note we no longer accept the P.E uniform.

If you can ensure the donations are clean and in good condition and wearable. Please leave donations with the school office.

If you do need any uniform, please email uniformpta@gmail.com with any queries you may have. We have lots of items in stock.

Thanks again.
Pre-Loved ♥

Uniform Supplier

UNIFORMITY Schoolwear

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

Click on the following link for a list of required uniform items:
[Uniform List - Nursery to Year 6](#)

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

Term Dates 2021-2022 & 2022-2023



Academic Year 2021-2022

We would like to draw your attention to an additional staff training day on Friday 27th May 2022. As you are probably aware we usually have two staff training days at the start of the academic year, however we had one training day this September and therefore we have booked the reserved training day on Friday 27th May 2022.

Autumn Term 2021	
Staff Training Days	Wednesday 1 st September 2021
Term Starts	Thursday 2 nd September 2021
Half-Term	Monday 18th October to Friday 29th October 2021
Ends	Tuesday 14 th December 2021 – 12:30pm Finish
Spring Term 2022	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 5 th January 2022
Half-Term	Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February 2022
Ends	Friday 1 st April 2022 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term 2022	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 19 th April 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 20 th April 2022
May Day	Monday 2nd May 2022
Staff Training Day	Friday 27 th May 2022
Half-Term	Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022
Ends	Wednesday 13 th July 2022 – Normal Finish Time

Academic Year 2022-2023

Autumn Term	
Staff Training Days	Thursday 1 st & Friday 2 nd September 2022
Term Starts	Monday 5 th September 2022
Half-Term	Monday 17th October to Friday 28th October 2022
Ends	Tuesday 13 th December 2022 – 12 noon Finish
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Wednesday 4 th January 2023

	Term Starts	Thursday 5 th January 2023
	Half-Term	Monday 20th February to Friday 24th February 2023
	Ends	Friday 31 st March 2023 – Normal Finish Time
	Summer Term	
	Staff Training Day	Monday 17 th April 2023
	Term Starts	Tuesday 18 th April 2023
	May Day	Monday 1st May 2023
	Half-Term	Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023
	Ends	Wednesday 12 th July 2023 – Normal Finish Time



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH 2022

Monday 21 st	Tam O'Shanter Farm Vegetable Donation Drop Year 6 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Kililiku & Mrs Ashton
Tuesday 22 nd	School Council Visit to Tam O'Shanter Farm Nursery & Pre-School Stay & Play Session Reception Parents Consultation Meetings – Miss Hardy Year 1 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Parkins Year 2 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Roberts Year 3 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Creedon Year 4 Parents Consultation Meetings – Miss Robertson Year 5 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mr Ashton & Mrs Kililiku
Wednesday 23 rd	Year 3 Cookery Lesson Nursery & Pre-School Stay & Play Session Reception Parents Consultation Meetings – Miss Hardy Year 1 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Parkins Year 2 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Roberts Year 3 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Creedon Year 4 Parents Consultation Meetings – Miss Robertson Year 5 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mr Ashton & Mrs Kililiku
Thursday 24 th	Nursery & Pre-School Stay & Play Session Year 6 Parents Consultation Meetings – Mrs Kililiku & Mrs Ashton
Monday 28 th	Performing Arts Concert 2pm in the School Hall
Tuesday 29 th	Joseph & His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat Performance STEM Ambassador Assemblies for children from Reception – Year 6
Wednesday 30 th	Joseph & His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat Performance
Thursday 31 st	Reception to Year 2 Trip to Liverpool World Museum

Joseph & His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat Performance

APRIL 2022

Friday 1st School Closes for Spring Easter at the usual time
Wraparound Care and After School Care open until 6pm

Tuesday 19th Staff INSET Day

Wednesday 20th Children Return to School at the normal time

MAY 2022

Monday 2nd May Day Bank Holiday – School Closed

Tuesday 3rd to Friday 9th Year 6 Residential Trip to Tattenhall Centre



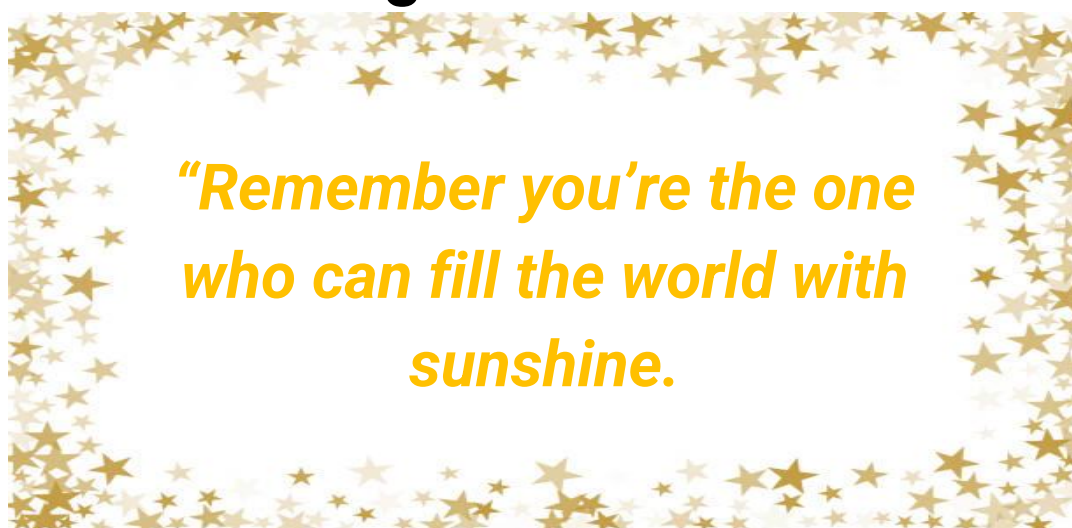
**Should you have any concerns or suggestions,
please do not hesitate to contact us:**

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Wellbeing Quote of the Week



You are cordially invited to our

Performing Arts Spring Concert

*to be held in the School Hall on
Monday 28th March 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.*



No need to book
Come along and join in the fun!

Admission &
Refreshments
Only £3
per child



Avalon School Parent & Toddler Group



Wednesdays
9.30am to 10.30am



Babies to 5 Years

Guest Session Leaders

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