



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15th May 2026

NEWS & INFORMATION

School closes for Half Term - Friday 22nd May and reopens to children on Monday 1st June at the usual time.

Lunch Menus



This week's favourite meals were:

Main	Dessert
Roast Pork Dinner	Cookies

When we return, the lunch menu is



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

Year 6 Residential at Venturewood



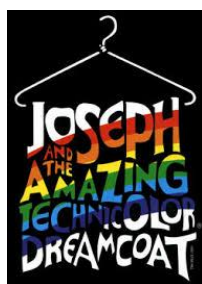
From rock climbing and canoeing, to campfire treats and hiking, the Year 6 children certainly had a busy few days at Venturewood!

To view more images of the Residential trip, please log onto our Facebook page.



Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat – School Production

Rehearsals for our school production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* are in full swing, and the children in Year 1 to Year 6 are excited to share everything they've been working so hard to learn.



The performances will be as follows:

Tuesday 19th May – Matinee Performance at 2.00pm

Wednesday 20th May – Evening Performance at 6.00pm

Thursday 21st May – Evening Performance at 6.00pm

For more information, and booking form, please click on the link below:

[Joseph Order Form Letter](#)

Extra-Curricular Clubs



As per the original correspondence sent from Mr Ashton at the start of the Summer Term, there will be NO extra-curricular clubs taking place week commencing Monday 18th May, due to the scheduled productions of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. After school care will still be available at the usual rates.

PTA News

The PTA have organised some exciting events this term. Please save the date for the following activities.

PTA Strawberry Tea – Friday 26th June

PTA Reception to Year 6 Half Term Disco – Thursday 2nd July



All events will take place after school, more information in due course.

Year 5 & Year 6 Ceilidh Thursday 4th June 2026



Avalon PTA will be hosting a Ceilidh and Pizza night for the Year 5 and Year 6 children on Thursday 4th June at 4.45pm until 6.15pm. Cost of the event is £10.00 per child which includes entrance and pizza. Raffle tickets will also be available to purchase on the night at a cost of £1.00 per strip, a maximum of £10.00 per child. Payment can be made by cash or internet banking. Please return the order form to the school office.

For more information, and to book your place, please click on the link below:
[Year 5 & Year 6 Ceilidh Booking Form](#)

PTA Donations



The PTA are looking for any duplicate/unwanted gifts you may have received which can be used for raffle prizes. They are also looking for any age-appropriate books in good condition. If you can help, please drop off any donations to the School Office.



Half Term Break Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May



School closes for the half term break on Friday 22nd May at the usual time. After School Care will be available until 6pm should you require it.

School will be closed the half term break from Monday 25th May until Friday 29th May inclusive.

The children return to school on Monday 1st June at the normal time. Breakfast Club is available from 7.45am as usual.

Reception to Year 6 “Takeover Challenge” Day Tuesday 16th June 2026



As part of our **Challenge Week** (from 15th–19th June), we'll be holding a very special event called the **Takeover Day Challenge, on Tuesday 16th June**

On Takeover Day, the children will have the chance to take over a grown-up's job in school for the day. This is your chance to

Try something new
Take on responsibility
Learn what it's like to lead
Share your ideas
Make a difference in how our school runs

How does it work?

If the children would like to take part, they can consider the roles below and fill in a short application form which must be returned to the school office by **Tuesday 9th June**. Our Leadership Team will read all the applications carefully and choose the best match for each role.

Headteacher	Deputy Head
Assistant to the Headteacher	Teaching Assistant
Office Assistant	Lunchtime Welfare Assistant
Class Teacher (Either in your class or another class)	Site Manager
Catering Assistant	Catering Manager
	Nursery Teacher

For more information, and to access the application form, please click on the link below:

[Takeover day letter and application form](#)

Year 5 & Year 6 Careers Fair

Wednesday 17th June 2026

Careers Fair



We are once again planning to hold a Careers Fair for our Year 5 & Year 6 children on Wednesday 17th June between 1.30-3.30pm. If you, or anyone you know, would be willing and available to come into school and support our Careers Fair by sharing some time with our Year 5 & Year 6 children and talking to them about your career experiences, we would be delighted to hear from you.

For more information, please click on the link below:

[Year 5 & Year 6 Careers Fair Letter](#)

Reception to Year 6 Sports Day at Activity for All

Friday 20th June 2025 1.00pm – 3.30pm



As part of our Challenge Week activities, this year we are very excited to announce that our sports day afternoon for children in Reception to Year 6 will be on Friday 20th June and will be held at the Activity for All Centre, Arrowebrook Road, Upton, CH49 1AB from 1pm to 3.30pm.

All children should come to school in their PE kit, their house t-shirt and trainers. The children will also need to bring their refillable water bottles. Children will be leaving School after an early lunch and travelling by coach to the Centre. The programme for the afternoon will include a variety of track and field activities, as well as a celebration and presentation of awards at the end of the event.

Children may be collected from the Activity for All Centre at 3.30pm or from School at around 4pm (dependant on traffic). We would be most grateful if you could indicate whether you will be collecting your child(ren) from the Activity Centre or from School.

We would be delighted for parents to join us at the Activity for All Centre for the afternoon and to help cheer on the children. The Centre will be open exclusively to our Avalon community during the event, and refreshments and snacks are available to purchase.

For more information, please click on the link below:

[Reception to Year 6 Sports Day Letter](#)

Free Forest School Transition Program for Year 6 Children

Tuesday 21st July to Tuesday 25th August 2026



The transition programme at the Palm House in Sefton Park is offering a free 6-week programme during the summer holidays, made possible thanks to the People on the Lane funding.

The sessions are aimed at children transitioning from primary to secondary school. This is a great opportunity for 10 children, aged 11 years, to attend a series of 6 qualitative sessions with their parents/carers during the summer holidays.

The aim of the programme is to provide a safe, inclusive and purposeful space for young people to consider and enhance their transition from Primary to Secondary education.

This will be facilitated through a range of nature-rooted, creative and contemplative activities that promote self-esteem, wellbeing and self-regulation.

The sessions will run un from 10am – 12pm every Wednesday morning from 24th July – 28th August – parents/carers must stay with their child.

Please use the link below to book your place. Spaces are limited so if you and your child would like to take part, please apply by the end of May 2026.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZB32GYH>

Keeping Children Safe



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.

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.

Driving around the school



We kindly ask all parents and carers to respect residents' properties when parking and driving through the neighbourhood at drop off and pick up times. Please do not move or reposition household bins or enter private driveways without permission. Recently, bins have been placed in ways that block access and create potential safety risks for both pedestrians and drivers.

Residents have always managed their own bins responsibly, and your cooperation helps keep our community safe, respectful, and pleasant for everyone. Thank you for your understanding.

Mental Health Wellbeing Support



Below are some helpful links to websites and services that can be accessed in relation to mental well being support. We have a number of trained Mental Health First aiders in school, but as always, please do get in touch if there is anything further that you would like School to do to support a child, parent or family further.

[Home - Kooth](#)

[Shout: The UK's free, confidential, 24/7 mental health text service | Shout 85258](#)

MyMind Crisis Line Wirral Services - 0800 145 6485 or if you or a young person is at immediate risk and needs urgent help with their mental health, please call the 24/7 urgent mental health crisis line by calling NHS 111 and selecting the mental health option.

[Mental health | Wirral InfoBank](#) - Wirral directory with information about different services.

PTA News



Follow the link below for information on our PTA events:

[PTA News & Events](#)

Preloved Uniform

If you have any requests for uniform please email 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. Please leave all donations with the school office.

Gift Amnesty

The PTA are looking for any duplicate/unwanted gifts you may have received which can be used for any future raffle prizes. If you can help, please drop off any gifts to the School Office. Thank you!

Raise Funds for the PTA While You Shop!

Turn your everyday shopping into PTA fundraising with www.easyfundraising.org.uk
Sign up and search for Avalon School PTA, Wirral and start shopping.



Help us make a difference when you shop.

Visit: www.easyfundraising.org.uk

Download the app.



Recycle Your Empty Printer Cartridges at Avalon



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!

Useful Information & Links

Follow the link below for our school website home page:

[Avalon School Home Page](#)

Follow us on social media:

Instagram: [@avalonschoolwestkirby](#)

Facebook: [AvalonSchoolWirral](#)

Follow the links below for all the latest news and our weekly newsletters:

[Latest News](#)

[Weekly Newsletters](#)

Follow the links below for all key information including letters etc:

[Letters & Documents](#)

[Other Key Information](#)

Follow the links below for term dates:

[Term Dates](#)

Follow the link below for our School Attendance Policy:

[Avalon School Attendance Policy](#)



Attendance Matters





Follow the links below for frequently asked questions such as PE days, start of the day arrangements, what to do if you arrive late, pick-up points, appropriate snacks etc:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)



Follow the link below for information about our Before & After Care Provision:

[Before & After School Care](#)



Follow the link below for all our calendar dates:

[Up and coming events - Calendar](#)



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

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Headteacher: Mrs J Callaway jcallaway@avalon-school.co.uk

Avalon School
Baby & Toddler Group
 (0-5 years)

Wednesday mornings (term time)
 9.30am to 11.00am
ALL WELCOME!

£5 a child / £2 for a sibling
 (cash or card payments)

Refreshments included

Lots of fun activities

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

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 £25 PER DAY
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LOCATION
 Pensby Primary School,
 Greenbank Drive,
 Pensby, Wirral CH61 5UE

TIME
 9am – 3pm

DATES
 TUES 26 MAY – THURS 28 MAY

Scan to book!

Bookings can be made via our website
www.fullofbeansfitness.co.uk/wirral-and-liverpool

Email: camps@fullofbeansfitness.co.uk Telephone: 0151 374 0454 Facebook: FOBWirral Twitter: FullOfBeansFit

SAFE Our staff are fully qualified, DBS checked and first aid trained.
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SUPPORTIVE We build confidence, encourage teamwork and celebrate every child.
FUN We create an energetic, positive environment where everyone thrives!
INCLUSIVE We welcome all children and make sure everyone feels included and valued.

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