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Dear Parents and Guardians

On Friday 22nd September the children in Reception enjoyed a speech and drama workshop. This was a taster session as Avalon School offers speech and drama lessons to all children in Reception. I am writing to introduce myself Ravanne Hamer B.A. (Hons), ALAM and I would like to give your child the opportunity of starting Speech and Drama lessons.

Speech and drama lessons will provide creative opportunities for children, the development of performance skills as well as personal and social skills and confidence building. Drama is supportive in aiding a child's development. Parents in the past have been enthused by the way drama inspires children to be imaginative; it encourages the 'sharing of ideas' and the importance of 'working together' as part of an ensemble. Drama aids the development of children's reading as they are introduced to different types of literature, poetry and small plays in a fun child friendly environment. The children will also learn theatrical techniques such as effective stage movement, the use of mime, animation and physical theatre. Improvisation and devising is enjoyed throughout and the children are encouraged to create their own dramatic scenes.

Speech and drama lessons also offer the opportunity to enter the prestigious LAMDA Speech, Communication and Drama examinations as well as representing the school by entering into the Wirral Speech and Drama festival. This is optional and no child will be forced to enter any examination or festivals. Children will also have the opportunity to perform in annual school concerts.

The most beneficial skill your child can gain from speech and drama is learning to have the confidence and technique to speak in public. Speech and drama particularly concentrates on the development of communication and presentation skills, clear speech and good diction.

Speech and Drama lessons will be held once a week on a Friday during lunch time, the children are not taken out of academic subjects to come to their drama lesson. The sessions are conducted in small groups and are half an hour long and promise to be great fun.

The costs of speech and drama lessons are £5.00 per session and payment is to be made at the beginning of each term.

If you would like your son or daughter to join Speech and Drama lessons please complete the application form attached and return to the school. Places are limited and priority will be given to those who return their application form first. I look forward to working with your children in creative and fun drama lessons. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ring me on 07901822481.

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Hamer B.A. (Hons), ALAM

Speech and Drama Application Form

If you would like your son/daughter to participate in speech and drama lessons please complete the slip below and return to the school office.

NAME OF CHILD:

DATE OF BIRTH: AGE: SCHOOL YEAR:

ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS OR SPECIAL REQUIRMENTS:.....

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ADDRESS:

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TELEPHONE NUMBER: MOBILE:

E-mail:.....

Parent's signature: