



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday 13th December 2023



**School finishes for Christmas break
TODAY Wednesday 13th December at 12 noon.
School reopens for children on Tuesday 9th January 2024.**

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NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

Merry Christmas & Thank You!



The staff and children would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Thank you for all the generous gifts received. We hope you have a restful break, and we will see you all again in January.

PTA News



A huge thank you to everyone who helped, attended or donated to our Wreath Making Workshop, Raffle, Christmas Fair, Christmas Bauble Competition or Christmas Jumper Day. We raised an amazing:

£1625.00

Thank You!
FOR YOUR DONATION

Nursery, Pre-School & Infant Christmas Parties



The children had a wonderful time at their Christmas party on Monday afternoon. With party food and a visit by Father Christmas himself, a fabulous time was had by all!



Christmas Celebration Service at St Bridget's Church

Avalon School's
Christmas Celebration



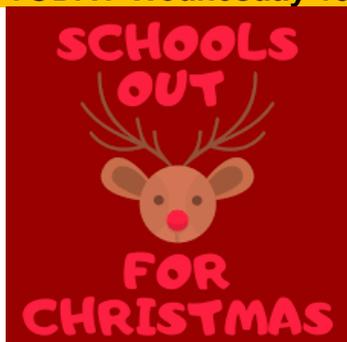
Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to attend St. Bridget's Church today – we hope you enjoyed watching the children in the Celebration Service.

Also a BIG thankyou for all your support for the Charles Thompson Mission Christmas Appeal in donating gifts, which were collected from school this morning following our celebration service.

Thank You!
FOR YOUR DONATION

School Finish for Christmas

TODAY Wednesday 13th December at 12 noon



School finishes for the Christmas break on Wednesday 13th December at 12 noon.

The After School Care will not be available today, due to the early school closure at 12 Noon.

Christmas Break

Thursday 14th December to Monday 8th January



School is closed for the Christmas break from Wednesday 13th December at 12 noon and reopens to children on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

We hope you have a very happy Christmas and peaceful new year.



Spring Term School Fees



The spring term invoices will be emailed to parents/carers over the Christmas break. Invoices are due for payment on the first day of the spring term, Tuesday 9th January 2024 unless arrangements have been made to pay by direct debit / payment plan. Thank you.

Nursery and Pre-School invoices for January will be emailed to parents when we return to school in January.

Spring Term 2024

Tuesday 9th January 2024



The Children return to school on **Tuesday 9th January 2024** at the usual time ready for another busy term.

Breakfast club will be available from 7.45am

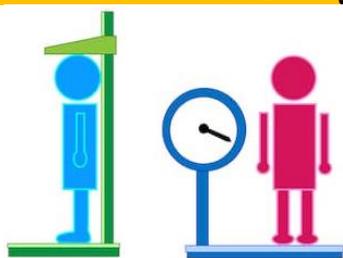
First round results of BBC 500 Words competition



We are delighted to announce that two of our Year 3 children, Nova and Francis, have had their creative stories chosen, out of thousands of entries, to go into the next round of the BBC's 500-word competition. Only around 5000 stories get through to the second round, which will be judged by the Reading Agency in January. We will keep you up to date on how

Nova and Francis get on. Well done to them and all the children who took part in the competition!

Year 6 Wirral NHS Heights & Weights



Staff from Wirral NHS will be attending school early next year, date to be confirmed, to undertake the heights and weights of the Year 6 children as part of the National Measurement Programme.

Children are measured fully clothed, except for their coats and shoes, in a private space away from other pupils.

If you wish for your child to not take part, please contact 0-19 Health & Wellbeing Services on 0151 514 2510

For more details, please click on the link below:

[NCMP Height and Weight Check Letter](#)

Year 5 Essential Life Flourish Skills Sessions Commencing Friday 12th January 2024



We are delighted to inform you that we will be offering an education programme to our Year 5 children, which will be delivered by 'Flourish Wirral'.

The programme is delivered over 5 weeks of one-hour sessions. Each session will focus on supporting and developing essential life skills and will include aspects of positive mental health and well-being.

The programme will commence on Friday 12th January 2024.

For more information, please click on the link below:

[Year 5 Flourish Essential Life Skills Sessions Letter](#)

Lunch Menu



Lunch menu for the week commencing 8th January 2024



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

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 2023-2024 & 2024-2025



2023-2024

Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 8 th January 2024
Term Starts	Tuesday 9 th January 2024
Half-Term	Monday 19th February to Friday 23rd February 2024
Ends	Thursday 28 th March 2024 Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 15 th April 2024
Term Starts	Tuesday 16 th April 2024
May Day	Monday 6th May 2024
Half-Term	Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024
Ends	Friday 12 th July 2024 – Normal Finish Time

2024-2025

Autumn Term	
Staff Training Days	Monday 2 nd & Tuesday 3 rd September 2024
Term Starts	Wednesday 4 th September 2024
Half-Term	Monday 21st October to Friday 1st November 2024
Ends	Friday 13 th December 2024 12 noon finish
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 6 th January 2025
Term Starts	Tuesday 7 th January 2025
Half-Term	Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025
Ends	Friday 28 th March 2025 Normal finish time
Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 14 th April 2025
Term Starts	Tuesday 15 th April 2025
Easter Bank Holiday	Friday 18th & Monday 21st April 2025
May Day	Monday 5th May 2025

Half-Term	Monday 26 th May to Friday 30 th May 2025
Ends	Friday 11 th July 2025 Normal finish time



DECEMBER

Wednesday 13th

Christmas Celebration Service at St Bridget's Church
12 NOON FINISH NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE AVAILABLE

Thursday 14th December to
Monday 8th January 2024

Christmas Holidays

Merry Christmas

JANUARY

Monday 8th

Staff INSET Day

Tuesday 9th

Children Return to School

Friday 12th

Year 5 Commencement of Essential Life Skills Sessions

