



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 23rd November 2018

SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR CHRISTMAS FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER AT 12 NOON

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points

Total House Points for the Year To-Date

1195

1388

1347

1314

Merit Badges

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Golden Table

Rec

Y1

Y2

Y3

Y4

Y5

Y6

Children's Favourite Dishes of the Week!

Main: Mince Pie & Chips

Pudding: Apple Crumble & Custard

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING 26th NOVEMBER 2018



This week includes IW (Year 2) taster menu on Wednesday of



Follow this link for our [Lunch Menus](#)

Dates for Your Diary

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

NOVEMBER 2018

Thur 29th

Parent Toddler
Group 1.45pm-3pm

Fri 30th

Christmas Jumper
Day

LAMDA Drama
Exams

PTA Christmas Fair

DECEMBER 2018

Wed 5th

2pm Nursery & Pre-
School Christmas
Concert

Thur 6th

Parent Toddler
Group 1.45pm-3pm

Fri 7th

School Christmas
Lunch

Mon 10th

Infant Christmas
Concert at 2pm
(Reception, Year 1 &

Anti-Bullying Sharing Assembly

Every child played a role in our very special Anti-Bullying Assembly today. There were incredibly powerful performances from every class, ranging from our Nursery children showing the visual effects that saying unkind words had on an apple, to singing songs with a clear message such as 'This is Me and You've got a friend in me, to even role playing playground scenarios demonstrating inclusivity, in French! The staff joined in with a very original portrayal of R-E-S-P-E-C-T as a final reminder of the theme of our whole Anti Bullying campaign. Thank you to all our parents and friends for coming along this morning to support us and for joining in with the very special follow up activities in classes. Well done everyone, on a great morning at Avalon and demonstrating ownership and understanding of such an important issue!



Follow the link for more on today's special assembly: [RESPECT](#)

Year 2)

Tue 11th

Christmas Parties
(Nursery, Pre-School, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)

Wed 12th

Junior Christmas Theatre Trip (Wizard of Oz at Story House Theatre, Chester)

Infant Taekwondo Catch Up Session

Thur 13th

Christmas Celebration Rehearsal at St Bridget's Church

Fri 14th

10am Christmas Celebration at St Bridget's Church – Parents Welcome!

**Autumn Term
Finishes at 12
Noon**

**CHRISTMAS
BREAK
MON 17TH DEC TO
FRI 4TH JAN 2019**

JANUARY 2019

Mon 7th

Staff INSET Day

Tue 8th

Children Return to School

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 30th November

This year's Christmas Jumper Day will be on Friday 30th November to coincide with the PTA's Christmas Fair to make the event feel that extra bit more festive. The children may wear their own clothes and a Christmas jumper for a small donation of £1.

PTA Christmas Fair

Friday 30th November from 3.30pm

The PTA will be holding the Christmas Fair on Friday 30th November from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. Grotto time slots will be posted on a list at the Nursery entrance and the Main School Entrance.

Christmas Decoration Competition

Reminder! All Christmas bauble decorations should be returned to form teachers by Tuesday 27th November, along with name labels and donations. Winners will be announced at the PTA Christmas Fair.

LAMDA Exams

Friday 30th December

The LAMDA exams will be taking place on Friday 30th December for those children who have entered. Ravanne Hamer (Drama Tutor) has emailed parents with what the children need to bring with them for their exam. Good Luck!

Christmas Cake Art & Design Competition

Closing Date – Friday 30th November

The closing date for Christmas cake designs is Friday 30th November. The competition is to design a cake with a Christmas theme on a plain A4 sheet of paper and hand in entries to the school office. Don't forget to put your name on it. There will be winner from each who will receive 6 cup cakes and the overall design winner will have their cake made and brought to school by Julie Scrumptious Cake Design on 7th December. Good Luck!

Nursery & Pre-School Nativity

Wednesday 5th December at 2pm

We would like to invite the Nursery and Pre-School parents to our Nativity on Wednesday 5th December at 2pm. If your child does not normally attend sessions on a Wednesday, we would be grateful if you could bring them to school at 1.30pm ready for the start of the nativity at 2pm. We do hope that you will be able to join us.

School Christmas Lunch

Friday 7th December

We will be holding our school Christmas lunch on Friday 7th December. Look out next week for more details.

Infant (Reception to Year 2) Christmas Concert

Monday 10th December at 2pm

We would like to invite the Infant parents to our Christmas Concert on Monday 10th December at 2pm. We do hope that you will be able to join us.

Nursery, Pre-School & Infant Christmas Parties

Tuesday 11th December

The children in Nursery, Pre-School and Infants will be having their Christmas Parties on the afternoon of Tuesday 11th December. As we are fast approach this busy session we would like to let you know the arrangements for the day.

Children can wear their own party clothes at the party. However:

Nursery and Pre-School – should come to school in their party clothes and wear them throughout the day. If your child does not normally attend on a Tuesday, they would be very welcome to join in the fun and we would ask that you bring them to the Nursery at approximately 1.20pm.

Reception – should come to school in their party clothes and wear them throughout the day.

Year 1 and Year 2 – should come to school in school uniform but bring their party clothes in a bag with their name on. They will change into their party clothes just before the party.

Junior (Year 3 to Year 6) Theatre Trip Wednesday 12th December

The children in Year 3 to Year 6 will be going to the Storyhouse Theatre in Chester on Wednesday 12th December to see their production of "The Wizard of Oz". The cost of the trip is £15.50 which will be added to your spring term invoice. The children will leave after registration and return for lunch at 1.45pm. The children may take with them a healthy snack and a bottle of water. Please complete and return the consent form as soon as possible.

Infant Taekwondo Club Catch Up Session Wednesday 12th December

A catch up Taekwondo session will take place on Wednesday 12th December.

Christmas Celebration Service at St Bridget's Church Friday 14th December

Once again we will be holding our Christmas Celebration Service at St Bridget's Church on Friday 14th December. We will also be having a rehearsal at the church on Thursday 13th December. Please ensure that your children have an extra layer of clothing under their normal uniform as the church is cold. We would be most grateful if you provide a small new toy, gift or sweets for the service on the 14th December which will be donated to the Charles Thompson Mission. Please return the reply slip indicating where you will be collecting your child from as soon as possible. Nursery and Pre-School sessions will continue their normal route. Don't forget school closes at 12 noon and there will be no After School Club service on this day.

Progress Reports

We are still following up on a few appointments and therefore progress reports will be sent home early next week.

ISI Swimming Gala

Well done to all of our swimmers who took part in the ISA Swimming Gala last weekend. A special congratulation to Will Reynolds (Year 6) who qualified to swim at the national ISA Gala in the Olympic pool in London on the 1st December.

Meeting Royalty



Congratulations to Abbie on her Royal encounter this week!

Abbie was invited, on Monday, to the official opening, by Prince Edward, of 'The Earl of Chester Hydroponics Unit.'

The first of its kind in Cheshire, the new hydroponics unit will grow plants without soil by using mineral nutrient solutions in water solvent. A project which Abbie's Dad has been working really hard on recently.

A fabulous experience and well done to them both!

Year 6 Bikeability Course

Well done to all the Year 6 children who took part in the Bikeability Course. Despite the cold weather you did fantastically well and reached the required safety standards. Congratulations to you all.

Term Dates 2018-2019 & 2019-2020

2018/2019

Autumn Term	
Starts	Mon 3 rd & Tue 4 th Sept 2018 Staff INSET Wed 5 th Sept 2018 Children Return
Half-Term	Mon 22nd Oct to Fri 2nd Nov 2018
Ends	Fri 14 th Dec 2018 - 12 Noon Finish
Spring Term	
Starts	Mon 7 th Jan 2019 Staff INSET Tue 8 th Jan 2019 Children Return
Half-Term	Mon 18th to Fri 22nd Feb 2019
Ends	Fri 29 th Mar 2019 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	
Starts	Mon 15 th Apr 2019 Staff INSET Tue 16 th Apr 2019 Children Return
Easter May Day	Fri 19th & Mon 22nd Apr 2019 Mon 6th May 2019
Half-Term	Mon 27th May to Fri 31st May 2019
Ends	Fri 12 th Jul 2019 – Normal Finish Time

2019/2020

Autumn Term	
Starts	Mon 2 nd Sept 2019
Half-Term	Mon 21st Oct to Fri 1st Nov 2019
Ends	Fri 13 th Dec 2019 - 12 Noon Finish
Spring Term	
Starts	Mon 6 th Jan 2020

Half-Term	Mon 17th to Fri 21st Feb 2020
Ends	Fri 3rd Apr 2020 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	
Starts	Mon 20th Apr 2020
May Day	Mon 4th May 2020
Half-Term	Mon 25^h May to Fri 29th May 2020
Ends	Fri 10th Jul 2020 – Normal Finish Time

Four Staff INSET Days to be confirmed for Year 2019-2020

Used Stamps

We are collecting used stamps for St John's Hospice. If you would like to donate any used stamps there is a collection box in the school office reception area.

Uniform Supplier

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

Uniform Sizing Room opening times are:
Monday, Wednesday & Friday – 8.30am to 8.45am
Tuesday & Friday – 3pm to 4.30pm

Please call into the school office and the admin team will assist you.

School Fees and Before & After School Fees

Autumn terms Nursery/Pre-School and School Fees and Before & After School Fees are due to payment. We would be most grateful if these could be paid in accordance with the terms and condition as stated on the invoice. Thank you.

We would be most grateful if any payments over £40 could be made either by cheque or internet banking only; details can be obtained from the school office. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.



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

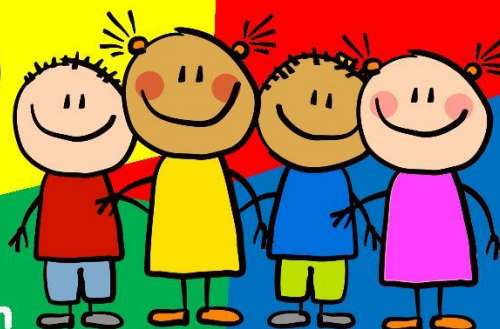
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Avalon School

Parent Toddler Group



**1.45pm to 3pm
every Thursday
during term time
£3 per child
including refreshments**

Come along for great fun, toys, craft sessions,
activities & fun.

Guest session leaders.



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