



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15th February 2019

HALF TERM BREAK MONDAY 18TH TO FRIDAY 22ND FEBRUARY
SCHOOL RE-OPENS ON MONDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points

138

157

157

185

Total House Points for the Year To-date

2391

2815

2785

2894

Merit Badges

Reception				AW	
Year 1				EB	
Year 2					HMcW
Year 3	EA				
Year 4		EP			EMcW
Year 5		KM		TW	
Year 6		GS		PB	

Golden Table

Rec	AW	Y1	TC	Y2	SP
Y3	RC	Y4	CE	Y5	TW
		Y6	ST		

Children's Favourite Dishes This Week

Main: Burger, Crispy Potato
Cubes & Salad
Pudding: Flapjack

Menu for Week Comm. 25TH February



**Dates for Your
Diary**

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

FEBRUARY 2019

**S4YC Holiday
Club Available
for Half Term
Break**

**HALF TERM
MON 18TH TO
FRI 22ND FEB**

Mon 25th
School Opens at
8.40am

Tue 26th
Year 6 Trip
Stockport Air Raid
Shelter

Reception to Year
4 Lent Event at St
Bridget's Church

Wed 27th
PSHCE Visitor –
Dentist (Reception
to Year 4)

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 1

MARCH 2019

Fri 1st
Year 5 and Year 6
Lent Event at St
Bridget's Church

Mon 4th
PSHCE Visitor
from Stick & Step

Tue 5th
Parent Workshops
RSE
Reception to Year
4 at 1.30pm
Year 5 & Year 6 at
2.30pm

Wed 6th
Year 5 Essential

Sharing Assembly & Parent Workshop – Online Safety

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended our "Being Share Aware @ Avalon" assembly this week. We hope that you enjoyed hearing about all the important things the children have been learning about how to keep themselves safe online.



How to Keep Safe Online

Online games like Fortnite and FIFA are evolving into social spaces where children meet with their friends — and make new ones. However they can be dangerous places for children to be, if they are not given the right knowledge, advice or support to stay safe, See the link below from [parentzone](#), for parents on how to keep their children safe if children are using in-game chat.

**Half Term Break
Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February**

School closes on Friday 15th February at the normal time for the half term break and re-opens on Monday 25th February. We hope you have an enjoyable half term break.

**S4YC Holiday Club
Half Term Break Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February**

S4YC will be running their holiday club at Avalon School during the half term break, from Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February between 8am and 6pm Monday to Friday for children aged 2 to 11 years.

If you would like to book your child into holiday club for this half term, please visit <http://www.s4yc.co.uk/>

If you are paying for your child's holiday club attendance with childcare vouchers, please allow a minimum of 5 days for the payment to be verified on the ipal system.

@ Avalon

Our Ofsted registered holiday play schemes offer a wide range of opportunities for children to experience new things whilst also freely choosing how they spend their day under the guidance of highly qualified and experienced staff. Whether they choose to take part in a game of football or join in with some of the adult led craft activities on offer, there is something for everyone.

Play Schemes run between 8.00am and 6.00pm throughout the school holidays.

You will find all the information you need about our exciting and fun range of activities as well as our new online booking system by visiting our website:

www.s4yc.co.uk

but, if you would like to speak with us directly please don't hesitate to get in touch.

kaye@s4yc.co.uk 07717 383702

Supervision at the end of the school day

Life Skills –
Session 2

Year 6 Bikeability
Course

Thur 7th
World Book Day

**Mon 11th to Fri
15th**
National Science
Week

EYFS Stay & Play
Week

Tue 12th
Year 6 Oaklands
Parent Meeting at
3.45pm

Wed 13th
M&M Theatre
A Little Princess

Thur 14th
Football Match v
Prenton Prep

Friday 15th
Red Nose Day

Mon 18th
Year 2 Class
Assembly at
9.05am – Parents
Welcome!

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 3

6pm: Y5 Parents
Meeting re
Secondary
Entrance
Assessments

Wed 20th
Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 4

Parents' Evening
Meetings
Reception, Year 1,
Year 4 and Year 6

Please could we ask that parents / carers ensure that children are safely supervised once they have been dismissed by school staff. There have been some recent incidents where children have wandered away from parents/carers and had an accident or behaved inappropriately with others.

**Year 6 Trip – Stockport Aid Raid Shelter
Tuesday 26th February**

As part of the history curriculum the Year 6 children will be going on a trip to Stockport Aid Raid Shelter on Tuesday 26th February. The children are invited to dress up as a child in World War Two. The children will need to bring a coat, as part of the trip is outside. The children will be leaving school straight after registration and will back in time for normal pick up (traffic permitting). School will provide the children with a packed lunch. The cost of the trip will be £19.50 which will be added to your summer invoice in the usual way.

**Reception to Year 4 - Lent Event at St Bridget's Church
Tuesday 26th February**

On Tuesday 26th February the children in Reception to Year 4 have been invited to take part in the Lent Event at St Bridget's Church. The children will be walking to and from the church with staff.

**Reception to Year 4 – PSHCE Visitor – Dentist
Wednesday 27th February**

On Wednesday 27th February Pre School to Year 4 will be welcoming a team of dentists into school to talk to the children about keeping their teeth healthy, as part of their PSHCE studies.

**Year 5 – Essential Life Skills Session 1
Wednesday 27th February**

The children in Year 5 will be taking part in 5 wellbeing and mindfulness workshops in school, run by Thumbs Up over the coming weeks with a focus on supporting and developing essential life skills. The first session will take place on Wednesday 27th February.

The sessions will cover:

- Getting to know each other
- Understanding thoughts, feeling and behaviour
- The importance of You
- Mind over matter
- Living with happiness and positivity

**Year 5 and Year 6 - Lent Event at St Bridget's Church
Friday 1st March**

On Friday 1st March the children in Year 5 and Year 6 have been invited to take part in the Lent Event at St Bridget's Church. The children will be walking to and from the church with staff.

**PSHCE Visitor from Stick & Step
Monday 4th March**

On Monday 4th March we will be welcoming a representative from the charity Stick & Step to update us on the current news and events happening at the charity.

**RSE Parent Workshops
Reception to Year 4 at 1.30pm
Year 5 & Year 6 at 2.30pm
Tuesday 5th March**

We would like to invite all parents to a meeting to discuss our planned programme of RSE lessons and for parents to see the age appropriate resources that we will be using with an opportunity to ask questions.

Thur 21st

Parents' Evening
Meetings
Year 2, Year 3 and
Year 5

Chadwick Cup
Netball
Tournament

Mon 25th

Performing Arts
Concert at 2pm

Tue 26th

Year 5 and Year 6
RSE Session led
by DARA

Wed 27th

Year 5 Essential
Life Skills –
Session 5

Year 4 Delamere
Parents Meeting at
3.50pm

Fri 29th

School Finishes
for Spring Break at
3.40pm

**S4YC Holiday
Club Available
for Spring Break**

**SPRING TERM
MON 1ST TO
MON 15TH APR**

APRIL 2019

Mon 15th

Staff INSET Day

Tue 16th

Children Return to
School at 8.40am

We will be running two meeting sessions of Tuesday 5th March:

- 1.30pm-2.30pm for parents/carers with children in Reception to Year 4
- 2.30pm-3.30pm for parents/carers with children in Year 5 & Year 6

Any resources or materials used will be uploaded to our website for those parents who are unable to attend the meeting.

We would be very grateful if you could indicate on the reply slip, if you will be attending a meeting, as it will help us to plan ahead for refreshments and room allocation. Please return to the school office by Friday 1st March.

Year 5 – Essential Life Skills Session 2

Wednesday 6th March

The children in Year 5 will be taking part in the second session of the Thumbs Up Essential Life Skills programme on Wednesday 6th March.

Year 6 Bikeability Level 3 Course

Wednesday 6th March

The Level 3 Bikeability course will take place on Wednesday 6th March. The children should wear the PE kit including long PE tracksuit bottoms, outdoor coat and gloves. Children will also need a roadworthy bike and helmet to undertake the course. Bikes should be brought to school in the morning and parked outside the site manager's office.

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March and invite the children to come to school in an animal themed costume. The children will be participating in many exciting activities, sharing their favourite book and enjoying books with children in other classes.

Transfer from Pre-School to Reception – September 2019 Intake

A letter has been sent home with all Pre-School children offering a place in our Reception class in September 2019. If you would like to reserve a place for your children in the Reception class, please complete and return the form to the school office by Monday 4th March

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, vellsmoor@avalon-school.co.uk or annevans@avalon-school.co.uk

Save the Date – PTA May Ball

Saturday 11th May



Pre-Loved Uniform

We have a range of Girls' Pinafore Dresses, Summer Dresses & Cardigans and Boys' V Neck Jumpers, plus a few other bits and pieces. If you would like to buy some or would like more information, please [email uniformpta@gmail.com](mailto:uniformpta@gmail.com) - we have a list of all Pre-Loved Uniform which we can email out. If you have any items that you would like to donate, then again please email. We will be organising a date for a Sale/Drop Off so please look out for our notices. Thank you for your support to date

School Uniform - Woolly Hats

We have been in negotiations with our uniform supplier, Uniformity regarding a school woolly hat. A brown woolly hat with the school logo has been produced and will be available online and from the shop in Chester within the next two weeks. The cost of the woolly hat is £7.50.

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.

Used Stamps

We are collecting used stamped 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.

Year 3 to Year 6 PE Lessons

As the weather is quite cold at the moment and the children in Year 3 to Year 6 do spend most of their PE lesson outside, Mrs Kililiku has asked if children could bring in a pair of dark coloured gloves to wear during PE lessons. Thank you.

Term Dates 2018-2019 & 2019-2020

2018/2019

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

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



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

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Avalon School

Parent Toddler Group

SPRING

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

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

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Avalon Parent Toddler Group

SPLAT
messy play
Cultivating Creativity

Story Explorers
Creative Play • Storytelling • Adventures