



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 8th March 2019

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points

139

96

113

138

Total House Points for the Year To-date

2632

3029

3026

3149

Merit Badges

Reception

MB

Year 1

SS

Year 2

SP

Year 3

RR

Year 4

EB

Year 5

CA & AE

Year 6

OS & ES

Golden Table

Rec

MB

Y1

GR

Y2

IW

Y3

EW

Y4

IP

Y5

CA

Y6

ES

Children's Favourite Dishes This Week

Menu for Week Comm. 4th March

Main: Curry & Rice
Pudding: Pancakes and
World Book Day Cakes



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

Wellbeing Quote of the Week



Each week we will be sharing a 'Well Being quote' with the whole school community to encourage everyone to take a little time out of their busy schedules to use mindfulness and to think about their well-being.

Every day is precious.

Dates for Your Diary

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

MARCH 2019

Mon 11th to Fri 15th
National Science Week

National Maths 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
Christopher Turner Football Tournament

Friday 15th
Red Nose Day

No Year 5 VR Morning Club

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

Year 5 Essential Life Skills – Session 3

Year 5 Parent Meeting Secondary

Catering Team – Flipping Brilliant!

A huge thank you to the Catering Team who provided us with some very tasty pancakes this week. 200 homemade pancakes!



They also found the time to create some amazing animal themed cupcakes for World Book Day.

PSHCE Visitor from Stick & Step

This week we welcomed Dina Cottier from the charity Stick & Step. Follow the link to our [news page](#) for more information and photos.

RSE Parent Workshops

Thank you to all the parents who attended our RSE Parent Workshops this week. We do hope that you found it informative. Further information is available on the Parents' area of the school website.

Year 6 Bikeability Level 3 Course

Congratulations to the Year 6 children who undertook the Bikeability Level 3 course this week. They worked tremendously hard!

World Book Day

We celebrated World Book Day this year by welcoming Sarah Barria-Norton (former Avalon teacher) and Hugo Chandor authors of "Bo, Zero to Hero", who spent time with each class taking part in many exciting activities. Follow the link to our [photo gallery](#) for our wonderful animal themed costumes!

National Science Week Monday 11th to Friday 15th March

As a whole school we will be taking part in National Science Week and the children will be participating in a variety of science related activities. We will post the exciting science experiments the children undertake during the week on our website.

School Entrance
Assessment at 6pm

Wed 20th
Year 5 Essential Life
Skills – Session 4

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

**No extra-curricular
clubs will be
available on this
day.**

Thur 21st
Parents' Evening
Meetings
Year 2, Year 3 and
Year 5

**No extra-curricular
clubs will be
available on this
day.**

Chadwick Cup
Netball Tournament

Fri 22nd
EYFS Awe &
Wonder Afternoon at
1.30pm to 3pm

Drama sharing of
work 4.10pm

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

National Maths Week Monday 11th to Friday 15th March

It is also National Maths Week next week. Please encourage all children to use the online resource 'Mathletics' at home during the week.

EYFS Stay & Play Week Monday 11th to Friday 15th March

We would like to invite parents/carers of the children in Nursery, Pre-School and Reception to "Stay & Play" sessions on the following dates:

Nursery (Explorers & Discoverers)

Tuesday 12th March 1.45pm to 3pm
Wednesday 13th March 1.45pm to 3pm
Thursday 14th March 9am to 10.30am

Pre-School (Adventurers)

Monday 11th March 1.45pm to 3pm
Wednesday 13th March 1.45pm to 3pm
Thursday 14th March 9am to 10.30am

Reception

Tuesday 12th March 9am to 10am
Wednesday 13th March 9am to 10am
Thursday 14th March 2pm to 3pm

During the sessions you will have the opportunity to join in with learning activities and games. Please complete the reply slip if you wish to attend. Reply slips can be obtained from the school office.

Year 6 Oaklands Residential Parent Information Meeting Tuesday 12th March

On Tuesday 12th March at 3.45pm we will be holding an information meeting for the parents and children in Year 6 who will be attending the Oaklands Residential trip in May.

M&M Theatre – A Little Princess Wednesday 13th March

On Wednesday 13th March we will be welcoming M&M Theatre to school. The children in Reception to Year 6 will be watching their performance of "A Little Princess".

Christopher Turner Football Tournament Thursday 14th March

A team of children will represent Avalon School on Thursday 14th March in a football tournament at Bebington Oval. Mrs Kililiku has sent details home with the children involved. Good Luck Team Avalon!

Red Nose Day Friday 15th March

Red Nose day is Friday 15th March and to raise money, we're going to ask the children to wear something red, hold a cake sale, face painting, have a Red Nose assembly and enjoy lots of fun activities!

As we would like children to wear something red or red nose related, we would like them to bring in a suggested donation of £2.00 for non-uniform which will go towards the total money raised.

In line with the Red Nose theme, cakes will be on sale at break time. If you give permission for your child to buy a cake, they need to bring in 50p. We would also be very grateful for any cake donations, especially on the Red Nose theme, for our cake sale. Please bring these into school in a named

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

container, so that the container can be returned to you at the end of the day. Please remember that cakes must not contain nuts and school must be made aware of any allergies that children may have.

Red noses are available from the school office at £1 each from Monday 11th March.

There will also be a face painting station on offer at lunchtime for 50p.

Year 2 Class Assembly
Monday 18th March at 9.05am

The children of Year 2 would like to invite their parents/carers to their Class Assembly on Monday 18th March at 9.05am in the school hall. Refreshments will be available from 8.50am. We do hope that you will be able to join us.

Year 5 – Essential Life Skills Session 3 & 4
Monday 18th & Wednesday 20th March

The children in Year 5 will be taking part in the third and fourth session of the Thumbs Up Essential Life Skills programme on Monday 18th and Wednesday 20th March.

Year 5 – Secondary School Entrance Assessment Parent Meeting
Monday 18th March at 6pm

We would like to invite the parents/carers of the Year 5 children to a meeting on Monday 18th March at 6pm. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss preparation for secondary school entrance assessments that will be taken in September 2019.

Parent Evening Meetings
Wednesday 20th March – Reception, Year 1, Year 4 & Year 6
Thursday 21st March – Year 2, Year 3 & Year 5

Parents evening appointments have been sent home this week. We have tried our best to accommodate all appointment requests, however should this appointment not be convenient please contact the school office and an alternative appointment will be arranged on a different day.

If you have not booked either the Late Room or After School Club and require use of either provision, please contact the school office. Refreshments will be available in the school hall.

No extra-curricular clubs will be running on these two days.

Chadwick Club Netball Tournament
Thursday 21st March

A team of children will represent Avalon School on Thursday 21st March in a Chadwick Club netball tournament. Mrs Brew has sent details home with the children involved. Good Luck Team Avalon!

EYFS “Awe & Wonder” Afternoon
Friday 22nd March from 1.30pm to 3pm

We will be holding an EYFS ‘Awe & Wonder’ afternoon on Friday 22nd March between 1.30pm to 3pm. Look out for more details next week.

Year 3 to Year 6 Drama Club Sharing of Work
Friday 22nd March at 4.10pm

The Year 3 to Year 6 children of the Drama Club would like to invite their parents/carers to a sharing of work performance on Friday 22nd March at 4.10pm in the school hall.

Football Match

Well done to all the boys who represented Avalon School in the matches at Leasowe Leisure Centre on Monday this week.

Running Goal – Parent Running Group
Tuesday 12th March – CANCELLED

Matt from Running Goals is away on holiday on Tuesday 12th March therefore there will be no running club on this day. Running club resumes the following week, Tuesday 19th March.

West Kirby Sailing Club



The poster for the 2019 Optimist Class Pre-Season Social features a background of colorful triangular flags. On the left, there are logos for the West Kirby Sailing Club, International Optimist, Optimist Dolphins, and the WKSC Race Team. The main text in large blue letters reads '2019 Optimist Class Pre-Season Social for old and new families'. Below this, in red, is 'Friday 8th March 2019 5.30pm'. Further down, it lists activities: 'Find out what's planned for 2019', 'Mini-Green, Green, Blue, Red fleet orientation', 'Meet the Raceteam', and 'Fun, games, raffle, dinner'. At the bottom, it provides a link for sign-up and pre-payment: 'Signup & pre-pay dinner here: <https://webcollect.org.uk/optimist/event/2019-wksc-optimist-class-season-opener>'.

There will be a new sailing course for beginners starting in May 2019 ideal for children in Year 2, 3 and 4. Families can go along to the Family Social Event to find out more details.

Supervision at the end of the school day

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.

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.

Flash Sale – S4YC Holiday Club

Holiday Club Flash Sale
7th to 14th March

S4YC Holiday Club will be holding a flash sale on their up and coming holiday clubs for Spring Break. Check out their website for details.
<https://s4yc.schoolipal.co.uk/>

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 \[uniformpta@gmail.com\]\(mailto:uniformpta@gmail.com\)](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

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.

Save the Date – PTA May Ball Saturday 11th May



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

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.

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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