



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 3rd May 2019

BANK HOLIDAY – MONDAY 6TH MAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points (Two Weeks)

297

252

350

379

Total House Points for the Year To-date

3319

3698

3797

4012

Merit Badges (Last week's given on Monday due to Open Morning)

Reception				CE
Year 1				FMc
Year 2	IC			
Year 3		EW		
Year 4			NN	
Year 5	LS OE			
Year 6				AM LM-P

Merit Badges (This week's)

Reception			HL	
Year 1			NS	
Year 2				OA-Z
Year 3	AR			
Year 4				EP
Year 5	RW			IP DA
Year 6		GS		PK-N

Golden Table

Rec	NS	Y1	AG	Y2	OE
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Y3

EA

Y4

EMc

Y5

IK

Y6

LM-P

Children's Favourite Dishes This Week

Main: Lasagne & Garlic
Cheesy Flat Bread

Pudding: Ice-cream

Menu for Week Comm. 5th May

Amendment to Week 1 Menu
Spaghetti & Meatballs on
Tuesday 7th May

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.

Be mindful of others. Both loved ones and strangers.

Dates for Your Diary**NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS****MAY 2019****Mon 6th**

Bank Holiday – School
Closed

Tues 7th to Fri 10th

Year 6 Residential
Stay at Oaklands

Thur 9th

Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Sat 11th

PTA Ball, Caldy Golf
Club

Mon 13th

Governors Meeting

Tue 14th

Year 6 Bible
Workshop

Thurs 16th

2.30pm Parent
Workshop re: Drugs &
Alcohol Awareness
talk for Year 5 & Year
6

Y5 & 6 Careers Fair

We would like to thank our parents and external guests who supported the Careers Fair by giving up their valuable time to talk to our Year 5 and Year 6 children this week. It was an amazing afternoon, thoroughly enjoyed by our staff, children and visitors.

Year 4 Visit to Speke Hall

The children of Year 4 had a wonderful trip to Speke Hall on Tuesday as part of their history studies. Take a look at the [Year 4 class webpage](#) for details and photos.

May Bank Holiday**Monday 6th May**

School will be closed on Monday 6th May for the Bank Holiday.

Year 6 Residential to Oaklands**Tuesday 7th to Friday 10th May**

The Year 6 children will be leaving school after registration on Tuesday 7th May for four action packed days at the Oaklands Centre in North Wales. All transport, activities, accommodation and meals are included. Children should bring their suitcase to school with them in the morning, ready to be loaded on to the coach. The children will be returning to school in the afternoon on Friday 10th May. The website will be updated as regularly as possible with news of their adventures (Wi-Fi connections allowing). We hope the children and staff have a fabulous time.

Year 6 Bible Workshop**Tuesday 14th May**

Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Fri 17th
2pm: PTA Meeting

Mon 20th
Reception Class
Assembly – Parents
Welcome!

Wed 22nd
Class Photographs

Thur 23rd to Fri 24th
Year 4 Residential
Stay at Delamere

Thur 23rd
Year 5 & Year 6 Drugs
& Alcohol Awareness
Talk

Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Fri 24th
School closes for the
Half Term

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

**HALF TERM BREAK
MON 27th TO
FRI 31st MAY**

JUNE 2019

Mon 3rd
Children Return to
School at 8.40am

Thur 6th
Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Thur 13th
Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Fri 14th
Infant (Reception to
Year 2) Sports
Afternoon 2pm-3pm

Wed 19th
Junior (Year 3 to Year
6) Sports Afternoon at

As part of our RE curriculum and as part of the Year 6's current topic, we have invited Bromborough Bible Exhibition to deliver a talk to the children on Tuesday 14th May 2019 on the Christian faith. Should you not wish your child to take part in this session please inform the school office by 9am on Tuesday 14th May.

**PTA May Ball, Caldy Golf Club
Saturday 11th May**

Please contact Victoria Jackson (victoria20vj@gmail.com)
for booking details.



**Year 5 & Year 6 Parent Workshop – Drugs & Alcohol Awareness
Thursday 16th May at 2.30pm**

Alison Hardy from the DARA (Drugs, Alcohol & Relationship Awareness) organisation will be delivering a Drugs & Alcohol Education session to the Year 5 and 6 children on Thursday 23rd May as part of their PSHCEE programme of study. This session will cover legal and illegal drug awareness, attitudes to drugs, peer pressure, smoking awareness and alcohol awareness. In order to ensure that you are fully aware of the content of this session, we will be holding a parent information meeting on Thursday 16th May at 2.30pm at school, during which you will have an opportunity to ask any questions.

**PTA Meeting
Friday 17th May at 2pm**

There will be a PTA meeting on Friday 17th May at 2pm. All welcome!
Please sign in at school office prior to the meeting. Thank you.

Bebington Oval 1pm-3pm

Thur 20th
Nursery & Pre-School
Walk (Time TBC)

Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Fri 21st
PTA Strawberry Tea

Mon 24th to Fri 28th
Junior Concert week

Tue 25th
Beauty & The Beast
Matinee Performance
at 2pm (doors open at
1.45pm)

Wed 26th
Nursery & Pre-School
Sports Morning (Time
TBC)

Beauty & The Beast
Evening Performance
at 6.30pm (doors open
at 6.15pm)

Thur 27th
Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Beauty & The Beast
Evening Performance
at 6.30pm (doors open
at 6.15pm)

Fri 28th
Beauty & The Beast
Evening Performance
at 6.30pm (doors open
at 6.15pm)

JULY 2019

Mon 1st
Whole School
Transition Afternoon

Wed 3rd
Pre-School
Graduation at 2pm

Thur 4th

Reception Class Assembly Monday 20th May at 9.05am

The children in Reception class would like to invite their parents/carers to their Class Assembly on Monday 20th May 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.

Class Photographs Wednesday 22nd May

Class photographs will be taken on Wednesday 22nd May in the morning. Children should attend school in their smart summer uniform including blazers. Nursery and Pre-School children who attend on a Wednesday will be escorted by the Nursery and Pre-School Staff. Parents/Carers of children who do not attend Nursery or Pre-School on a Wednesday but would like their child in the class photograph, we would be grateful if you could arrive at Nursery for 9.30am. In this case, Parents/Carers must stay on the site while the photograph is taken. Refreshments will be available. Photographs will be available to order via the photograph company, details of which will be sent home with the children along with photograph proofs.

Year 5 & Year 6 Drugs & Alcohol Awareness Talk Thursday 23rd May

Alison Hardy from the DARA (Drugs, Alcohol & Relationship Awareness) organisation will be delivering a Drugs & Alcohol Education session to the Year 5 and 6 children on Thursday 23rd May as part of their PSHCEE programme of study.

Year 4 Residential to Delamere Thursday 23rd to Friday 24th May

The Year 4 children will be leaving school after registration on Thursday 23rd May for two action packed days at the Scouts Activity Centre in Delamere Forest. The cost of the trip will be £112 which covers the cost of all travel, meals, insurances, accommodation and facilities, activities and t-shirt. We would be most grateful if you could make the necessary arrangements to **pay the £112 no later than Tuesday 21st May 2019**. Payments can be made either by cheque (made out to Avalon School Educational Trust) or by internet banking (bank details can be obtained from the school office). Children should bring their suitcase to school with them in the morning of Thursday 23rd, ready to be loaded on to the coach. The children will be returning to school in the afternoon on Friday 24th May. The website will be updated as regularly as possible with news of their adventures (Wi-Fi connections allowing). We hope the children and staff have a fabulous time.

House T-Shirts Orders

On sports day, all children will be wearing their house t-shirts which is in their house colour and printed with the school. If your child does not already have a house t-shirt or if you would like to order a new one please return the order form by **Monday 20th May**. The t-shirts come in sizes 5-6 years, 7-8 years, 9-11 years or small adults there samples of the sizes in the uniform sizing room. The t-shirts are £5.00 each.

Reception Class Children – School has sized and placed an order. The cost will be added to your invoice.

Year 1 to Year 5 – if you would like to purchase a house t-shirt, please return the order form by **Monday 20th May**. The cost will be added to your invoice.

Year 6 - if you would like to purchase a house t-shirt, please return the order form by **Monday 20th May**. The cost should be paid either by cheque (made

Parent Toddler Group
1.45pm-3pm

Mon 8th

Infant (Reception to
Year 2) Summer
Concert &
Achievement Awards
at 2pm

Thur 11th

Y6 Leavers' Assembly
at 9.15am
Juniors (Year 3 to
Year 6) Achievement
Awards at 2pm

Fri 12th

School Closes for the
Summer Break at
3.40pm

**S4YC Holiday Club
Available for
Summer Break**

**SUMMER BREAK
MON 15th JULY TO
FRI 30th AUGUST**

SEPTEMBER 2019

Staff INSET Days

Monday 2nd & 3rd
September

Term Starts

Wednesday 4th Sept

out to Avalon School Educational Trust) or by internet banking (bank details can be obtained from the school office).

Half Term Break

Monday 27th to Friday 31st May

The school will be closed for the half term break on Monday 27th to Friday 31st May. S4YC Holiday Club will be available during the break.

S4YC will be running their holiday club at Avalon School during the half term break, from **Monday 27th to Friday 31st May** between 8am and 6pm. 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.

Junior Performance – Beauty & The Beast

A letter will be sent home in the coming weeks with details on how to order tickets for each performance.

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.

Safeguarding Children and How to Keep Safe Online

Children are accessing technology and the internet at a younger age than ever before. It's never too early to talk to your child about what they do online and who to tell if they come across anything online that makes them feel worried, scared or sad.

Jessie & Friends is a series of three animations that follow the adventures of Jessie, Tia and Mo as they begin to navigate the online world, watching videos, sharing pictures and playing games. There's also a storybook for each episode, to help you and your child keep the conversation going. See the link below to access this excellent resource.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/jessie-and-friends/>

Pre-Loved Uniform

We will be collecting any Pre-Loved Uniform you may have next week. A box will be placed in the office where you can leave your donations - thank you. We have a full list of Pre-Loved uniform, so please email us at uniformpta@gmail.com if you need anything. We do have a large number of Summer Dresses, mainly in Junior sizes. The sale of Pre-Loved School Uniform has raised around £100 for the PTA which is fantastic, so thank you for your support. We have also been able to donate white school shirts and yellow polo shirts to Wirral Free Uniform Primary School (<https://www.wirralfuss.co.uk/wirral-f-u-p-s-free-uniform-for-primary-school/>) for which they were very grateful. Anything they are unable to reuse, is sold for recycling so avoiding landfill. We will be back in the Summer term with more collections and sales, but all have a happy holiday.

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.

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 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.

Term Dates 2018-2019 & 2019-2020

2018/2019

Summer Term	
Starts	Mon 15 th Apr 2019 Staff INSET Tue 16 th Apr 2019 Children Return
Easter May Day	Fri 19 th & Mon 22 nd Apr 2019 Mon 6 th May 2019
Half-Term	Mon 27 th May to Fri 31 st May 2019
Ends	Fri 12 th Jul 2019 – Normal Finish Time

2019/2020

Autumn Term	
Staff Training Days	Mon 2 nd Sept & Tuesday 3 rd Sept 2019
Term Starts	Wednesday 4 th September 2019
Half-Term	Mon 21 st Oct to Fri 1 st Nov 2019
Ends	Fri 13 th Dec 2019 - 12 Noon Finish
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Mon 6 th Jan 2020
Term Starts	Tuesday 7 th Jan 2020
Half-Term	Mon 17 th to Fri 21 st Feb 2020
Ends	Fri 3 rd Apr 2020 – Normal Finish Time

Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Mon 20 th Apr 2020
Term Starts	Tuesday 21 st April 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



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

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Avalon Parent Toddler Group



Parent Toddler Group

1.45pm to 3pm
every Thursday
during term time.

£3 per child
including refreshments

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E: schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk

Guest
Sessions Leaders
each week.

Come along for great
fun, toys, craft
activities and lots, lots
more!

This term's session leaders are:





'Free taster session' at Caldly Cricket Club

Dear Parent / Guardian,

On Saturday, May 4th, Caldly Cricket Club will be hosting a **free cricket taster session** for boys and girls in Key Stage 1. Invites have been extended to children from several local primary schools, and places will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

- Date: Saturday, May 4th
- Time: 9am-10am
- Venue: Telegraph Road, CH48 1NX
- Age group: Boys and Girls in Key Stage One

The session will be led by one of Cheshire Cricket Board's professional ECB Level 3 coaches, with assistance from Caldly CC coaches and volunteers. The aim is to provide an introduction to cricket in a safe and fun environment, giving the children an opportunity to make some new friends and the parents to join in too!