



AVALON SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 27th September 2019

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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

This Week's Winners



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points

187

147

201

151

Total House Points for the Year To-date

587

466

496

436

Merit Badges

Reception

RK

Year 1

HL

Year 2

EK

Year 3

KH

Year 4

ML

JG

Year 5

AR & MS

EMcK

Year 6

AC

GP

Golden Table

Rec

CP

Y1

CS

Y2

EB

Y3

HE

Y4

EMcK

Y5

JW

Y6

HM

Children's Favourite Dishes This Week

Main: Burger and chips

Pudding: Ice-cream

The children had a wonderful time this week on the Golden Table



Check out the [Catering Team](#) website page for more photos.

Menu for Week Comm. 30th September



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 – don't waste it.

Dates for Your Diary

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

SEPTEMBER 2019

Mon 30th

Year 5 Grammar
School
Assessment
Parents
Information
Meeting at 6pm

Mon 30th Sept to Fri 4th Oct

EYFS Stay & Play
Week

OCTOBER 2019

Tue 1st

Ski Trip
Information
Meeting 3.50pm

Wed 2nd

Y6 Beach School
session

Thur 3rd

Individual &
Siblings
Photographs

OPEN MORNING

Friday 11th October 9am – 12pm

We are always proud to welcome parents, families and friends to our Open Mornings, so that you can get a flavour of a typical day at Avalon! We are holding our next Open Morning on Friday 11th October between 9am and 12pm and we would be delighted to show lots of our current or prospective parents around our wonderful school.

**OPEN
MORNING**
Friday 11th October
9am to 12pm
*"Reaching Further,
Together"*

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Year 6 Beach School Session

Unfortunately, owing to the poor weather conditions this afternoon, we have had to postpone Y6's "Beach School" session until next Wednesday afternoon (2nd)

Fri 4th

Macmillan Coffee
Morning at 8.45am

Young Minds
Sponsored Event
Nursery to Year 6
Areobics-athon

Mon 7th

Year 5 Class
Assembly 9.05am

Wed 9th

Flu Vaccination
Reception to Year 6

Fri 11th

Open Morning
9am to 12 noon

Wed 16th

Whole School
Harvest
Celebration at
9.15am

Thur 17th

PTA Spooky
Movie Theme
Night at 5.30pm

Fri 18th

School Finishes
for Half Term

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



**HALF TERM
21st OCTOBER
TO
2nd NOVEMBER**

NOVEMBER 2019

Mon 4th

Children return to
school

October). Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for the weather conditions, including a waterproof jacket.

Junior Afternoon Tea

Thank you to all the parents, children and staff who attended our Junior Afternoon Tea this afternoon. It was lovely to chat with so many parents and build on our Home/School links. Please do see out PTA class reps for further ways of helping to support the PTA.



NEW! Avalon Water Bottles

We all know the importance of keeping the body well hydrated during school for optimum learning and well-being. We are going to provide all children from Pre- School upwards with a water bottle with the Avalon logo

Children can get their water bottle at the Afternoon Tea this afternoon, or alternatively from their Form Teacher on Monday. Any replacement water bottles after the first one, will be at a charge of £2 and will be available from the School Office only.



Parking around school

A polite request and reminder to all parents to ensure that they park respectfully of our neighbouring residents and to ensure that consideration and safety of all road users and pedestrians is paramount.

This week we have received a number of complaints from local residents about parents parking on the pavement outside school and the rude and unhelpful behaviour which followed. Parking on the pavement has caused a number of issues for pedestrians and members of the public with wheelchairs or pushchairs who have struggled accessing a safe pathway along the pavement. The collision of two vehicles was also caused this week, due to poor visibility of the road because of cars parked inappropriately. Thankfully no persons were hurt or injured this time, however if people continue to park in this manner, the risks and dangers to our children and families using the roads around school, is ever increased. Many parents do 'park and stride' to school making good use of Hickory's car park for school run times. Any other suggestions for enabling children's safe and healthy access to school are always welcome.

**Scholastic Book Club
Orders must be placed by TODAY**

Mon 11th to Fri 15th Anti-Bullying Week

Mon 11th
Remembrance Assembly

Year 3 Trip to DEWA Chester

Parents' Evening Meetings – Reception, Year 1, Year 4 & Year 6

Tue 12th
Parents' Evening Meetings – Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5

Fri 15th
PTA Meeting at 2pm

Mon 18th to Fri 22nd
Road Safety Week

Fri 22nd
Anti-Bullying Sharing Assembly at 9.15am

Mon 25th Nov
Year 4 Class Assembly at 9.05am – Parents/Carers Welcome

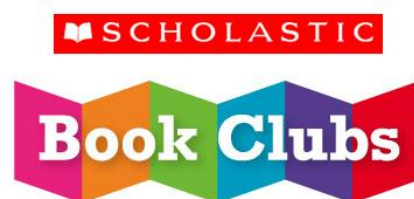
Fri 29th
LAMDA Exams

DECEMBER 2019

Mon 2 to Fri 6th
Well Being Week

Thur 5th
Nursery & Pre-School Nativity at 2pm – Parents/Carers Welcome

Fri 6^{pm}



Our new **Scholastic Book Club** is up and running! Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/avalonschool> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 25p** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your **order online by September 27th, 2019**. Please note that all orders must be placed online and not via the school. Thank you.

Wet Play Bags

As the weather is starting to turn more autumnal and we will inevitably be spending some of our breaktimes inside because of wet weather, it is important that your child has some wet play activities to occupy them. If your child needs a replacement wet play bag, please call into the school office to request one. The cost of a wet play bag is £2 which will be added to your next invoice

Year 5 Grammar School Assessment Parent Information Meeting Monday 30th September at 6pm

We are holding a Parent Information Meeting for our Year 5 parents in connection with the grammar assessment process on Monday 30th September at 6pm.

EYFS Stay & Play Week Monday 30th September to Wednesday 2nd October

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

Nursery & Pre-School (Please sign in at the Nursery Office)

Monday 30th September 9am to 10.30am

Tuesday 1st October 1.30pm to 3pm

Wednesday 2nd October 1.30pm to 3pm

Reception (Please sign in at the School Office)

Monday 30th September 2pm to 3pm

Tuesday 1st October 9am to 10am

Wednesday 2nd October 9am to 10am

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.

Ski Trip Information Meeting Tuesday 1st October at 3.50pm

We are holding a Ski Trip Parent Information Meeting for parents of children who are interested in going on the ski trip in February 2020 on Tuesday 1st October at 3.50pm in the Year 5 classroom.

Individual & Sibling Pupil Photographs Thursday 3rd October

Individual and sibling pupil photographs will be taken on Thursday 3rd October in the morning. All children will have an individual photograph taken and siblings will have a group photograph taken also. Children should attend school in their smart winter uniform including blazers.

Nursery and Pre-School children who attend on a Thursday will be supervised by the Nursery and Pre-School Staff. Parents/Carers of children who do not attend Nursery or Pre-School on a Thursday but would like their child to have their photograph taken, should arrive at Nursery for 9.30am. We do ask that

PTA Christmas Fair at 3pm

Mon 9th

Infants (Reception to Year 2)
Christmas Concert at 2pm –
Parents/Carers Welcome

Tue 10th

Juniors (Year 3 to Year 6) Theatre Trip to see Peter Pan at The StoryHouse Chester at 10.30am

Infants & EYFS Christmas Parties in the afternoon

Wed 11th

School Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Fri 13th

Whole School Christmas Celebration at St Bridget's Church at 10am –
Parents/Carers Welcome

School closes for the Christmas break at 12 noon

**CHRISTMAS BREAK
16TH DECEMBER
2019 TO 6TH JANUARY 2020**

JANUARY 2020

Mon 6th

Staff INSET Day

Tue 7th

Children return to school

Parents/Carers remain on the site while the photograph is taken, for supervision purposes.

Photographs will be available to order via the photography company, details of which will be sent home with the children along with photograph proofs.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning
Friday 4th October at 8.45am**

We would like to invite you to our coffee morning on Friday 4th October in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. We would be delighted if you would join us in the school hall from 8.45am until 9.30am where we will be providing refreshments and cake for a suggested donation of £2.50.

We would be grateful for donations of cakes or biscuits for the coffee morning. Cakes or biscuits can be either homemade (please provide a list of ingredients) or shop bought (in their original packaging). All donations must **NOT** contain nuts or traces of nuts in any form.

The children will be allowed to purchase one cake or biscuit at break time for a suggested donation of 50p. Any remaining cakes or biscuits will be sold at the end of the day.

Donations should be brought in on Friday 4th October from 8.15am and taken directly to the school hall.

**Young Minds Sponsored Areobics-athon Challenge
Friday 4th October**

YOUNG MINDS

We will be holding a Young Minds sponsored Avalon Aerobics-athon challenge for children from Nursery to Year 6 on Friday 4th October in aid of the Young Minds charity. Children should come to school in their PE kit and we would like to encourage everyone to wear something yellow, as the "Hello Yellow" Young Mind campaign is to signify to children that they are not alone with their mental health. Examples of yellow accessories could be socks, bow tie, hair accessory or even sweat bands! A sponsor form has been sent home with the children today.

**Year 5 Class Assembly
Monday 7th October at 9.05am**

The children of Year 5 would like to invite you to their Class assembly on Monday 7th October starting 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.

**Flu Vaccination for Reception to Year 6
Wednesday 9th October**

Flu vaccinations for the children in Reception to Year 6 will take place on Wednesday 9th October. If you haven't already done so, please return the permission slip to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Pre-Loved Uniform

Thank you to all those who have supported the PTA's Pre Love Uniform over the Summer holidays and at the School's Tea Parties. We raised the sum of £222.00, which brings the grand total of sales to **£586** which is fantastic. We have a wide range of uniform, so please do email us on ptauniform@gmail.com. Also if anyone has any payment envelopes to return, please leave them with the school office and we collect from there. Many thanks.

Uniform Supplier

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

Uniform Sizing Room will be opened upon request. Please call into the school office and one of 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

Term Dates 2019-2020

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 21st Oct to Fri 1st 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 17th to Fri 21st 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



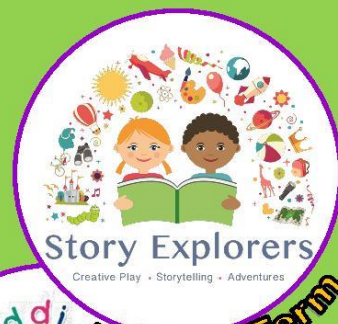
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Parent Toddler Group

1.45pm to 3pm
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during term time.

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including refreshments

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more!

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