



# AVALON SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

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### CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS!



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

#### House Points – This Week

**123**

**73**

**83**

**67**

#### Total House Points for the Year To-date

**797**

**654**

**640**

**661**

#### Merit Badges

Reception

L D  
N F-T

Year 1

Year 2

S O

Year 3

C S

Year 4

H R

Year 5

E A  
H E

Year 6

L McG

E B

#### Achievement Certificates



Reception

E S

Year 1

F C

Year 2

S S

Year 3

A P

Year 4

H W

Year 5

A C

L J

K H

A N

Year 6

B B

#### Headteacher Awards



Year 2

Year 4

Year 6

R K  
C P  
Z D  
G L  
J S  
L McG

## Mathletics

### Pupil of the Week!



Reception to Year 2

N P

Year 3 & Year 4

A G

Year 5 & Year 6

N T

### Golden Table

Rec	M W	Y1	N F-T	Y2	E H
Y3	A W	Y4	F S	Y5	N T
		Y6	J S		

## NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

### Christmas Card Order



This week the children have been sent home with their sample Christmas card that they have created. Cards are available in packs of 12 with envelopes at £5.00 per pack. Your child's drawing can also be printed onto gift tags, mugs and coasters.

Gift tags are £2.00 for a pack of 6.

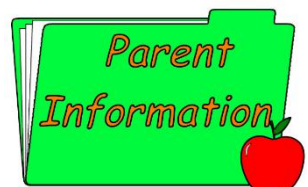
Mugs are individually boxed at £6.00 each.

Coasters are £2.50 each.

**The order form must be returned to the school office by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November.**

If you have not received the order form then please click on the link:  
[Christmas Card Order Form](#)

### Year 4 Parents Evening



**The Year 4 parents evening has been postponed. We will inform you of a new date in due course.**

### Extra-Curricular Clubs



Due to parents evening appointments the following clubs will NOT be on:

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Mindfulness, STEAM & Verbal Reasoning

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Construction, Coding & Joseph

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Yoga & Netball

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November – Chess

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Joseph

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November - Chess

These clubs will be on:

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> November – Football, Ballet & Jazz Dance

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> November – Drama

### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal



We are again supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. The traditional poppy and the other items are available from the school office. See below the suggested donation for each item:

Traditional poppy – 50p

Wristband – 50p

Friendship Bracelet - £1.00

Snap band - £1.00

### Reception Class Diwali Food Tasting Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November



The children in Reception Class held a mini celebration on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November as part of their learning about Diwali which involved the children trying some of the traditional foods enjoyed at the family feast such as pakoras, samosas and bhaji.

The children created their own Diya lamps, made Rangoli patterns and celebrated away in our party area!



### Healthy Snacks Reminder

**PLEASE**



**NO PEANUTS  
OR  
NUT PRODUCTS**



We have children within our school who have very severe and potentially life-threatening food allergies to several ingredients and foods including all nuts and sesame seeds.

The food allergies are severe and exposure in any form (skin contact or ingestion) to these substances could result in anaphylaxis, a potentially fatal condition that requires immediate medical attention.

We must ask that only healthy snacks such as fruit or vegetables should be brought into school. Please note, that crisps are not deemed as a healthy snack. Please also instruct your child to not share food with other classmates.

Our "Nut-Free Policy" means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes or pastries made with nuts
- Pretzels or similar

We know that many parents like to celebrate birthdays and other occasions with special treats. We encourage parents to celebrate with non-food items such as stickers, pencils, themed erasers, or other trinkets, rather than food.

### **Year 1 & Year 2 War Memorial Walk Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November**



As part of their topic about Remembrance Day, weather permitting, the Year 1 & Year 2 children will be visiting the war memorial in West Kirby on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November. If you have any objections and would rather your child did not take part in this activity, please inform Mrs Parkins or Mrs C Roberts or the School Office by 9am on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

## 8<sup>th</sup> November and 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021



The booking system for parents evening appointments has now closed. If you do require an appointment or to amend your appointment then please contact the school office or [annevans@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk)

Nursery	Key Worker – Jackie Duffy Key Worker – Mandy Elliott Key Worker – Lucy Hunt	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Pre-School	Key Worker – Julie Bache Key Worker – Jo Rice	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Reception	Miss Hardy	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Year 1	Mrs Parkins	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 and Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Year 2	Mrs Roberts	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Year 3	Mrs Creedon	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Year 5	Mr Ashton & Mrs Kililiku	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 and Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
Year 6	Mrs Kililiku & Mr Ashton	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 and Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2021

[Parents Evening Online Consultations Letter](#)

## Reception to Year 6 Flu Immunisation – E-consent Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November



Wirral NHS will be offering all children from reception to year 6 a flu nasal spray immunisation on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November, in school. Parents who wish for their child to have the immunisation must complete an online consent form.

You can now provide electronic-consent (e-Consent) for **all** your child's vaccinations with a click of a button, using your mobile phone, computer, laptop or tablet.

### So how does the process work?

- the form is simple and easy to complete
- once you've completed the form click 'submit'
- you'll receive an email to confirm the form has been received securely
- the Trust's Immunisation Team will receive your child's form via a secure portal
- if you've consented, your child will have their vaccine in school.



Each school has a unique code to access the consent, please see your child's school code below.

SCHOOL: Avalon  
CODE: WC105122

### Antibullying week Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November

#### ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2021



**ONE  
KIND  
WORD**

The week commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November is Antibullying week and this years theme is 'One Kind Word'

Click on the link for our [Antibullying Week and Odd Sock Day Letter](#)



We will be holding an Odd Sock Day on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

### Chester Zoo Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November



An educational visit to Chester Zoo has been booked for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

The cost of the trip will be £18.00 which will include the cost of the coach, entry to the zoo and an educational workshop. If any children have Zoo passes, these can be used to gain entry to the zoo, which will reduce the cost of the visit to £8.50. The coach, (fitted with seatbelts), will set off from school at approximately 9:15am, please ensure your child arrives to school in plenty of time so we can organise ourselves for departure. School will be providing the children with a packed lunch including a drink, which will be eaten at The Zoo. We should arrive back at school in time for normal pick up.

To enable your child to attend the trip to the Zoo it is important that the consent form below is completed and returned to the school office no later than Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

For more information see the [Chester Zoo Trip Letter](#)

### Children in Need Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November



We will be holding a Children In Need events on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November. Click on the link to find out more about our [Children in Need](#)

## Avalon School & United Education Holiday Club



We are excited to announce that we are hoping to partner with United Education to provide a holiday club at Avalon School during the school holidays and would be most grateful if you could complete their survey of interest.

[United Education - Holiday Club Survey](#)

Check out United Education's website for more information  
<https://www.united-education.co.uk/>

**Want to join the adventure?**

Are you looking for something to entertain your children with during school holidays?

We may have what you are looking for...  
An elite adventure camp coming soon but we would like to hear from you first!

Click below to complete this survey ASAP!

[Click here: Survey of demand](#)

Unit 1, Curtis House Business Centre,  
Berking Avenue,  
Leeds  
LS9 9LF

0113 4830280  
[www.united-education.co.uk](http://www.united-education.co.uk)

Days full of discovery

united adventure camps

## Lunch Menu

Lunch menu for the week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> November



Click on the following link for our [Lunch Menus](#)

Favourite Meal of the Week	
Main	Lasagne Bolognese
Pudding	Crispy Cakes. Diwali Biscuits

## Breaktime Snacks



We have a number of children in Avalon School with severe allergies. It is vitally important to ensure the health and safety of all the children that only fruit and vegetables are brought into school for break time snacks.

We have also noticed recently that children are bringing in break time snacks to school which are high in salt, sugar and fat such as salted popcorn, crisps, and other sugary snacks. These snacks are not appropriate to brought into school.

### Wet Play Bags (Reception to Year 6)



As we start a new academic year, if any children need a new wet bag play, please contact the school office via email [schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk).

### Extra-Curricular Clubs



Extra-curriculum clubs are as follows:

#### Lower School Clubs (Reception to Year 2)

Day	Club	Time	Year Group
Monday	Ballet	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
	Football	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Tuesday	Mindfulness	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Wednesday	Construction Club	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Thursday	Yoga	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Friday	Drama	12.35pm to 1pm	Y1 and Y2

#### Upper School Clubs (Year 3 to Year 6)

Day	Club	Time	Year Group
Monday	Jazz Dance	3.40pm to 4.40pm	Y3 - Y6
	Football	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y4 - Y6
Tuesday	STEAM	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y3 - Y6
Tuesday	Verbal Reasoning	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y5
Wednesday	Coding	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y3 and Y4
	Joseph performance	3.40pm to 4.40pm	Y6
Thursday	Netball	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y3 - Y6



Friday	Drama	10.20am to 10.45am	Y3 and Y4
	Drama	12pm to 12.35pm	Y5 and Y6
	Chess	3.30pm to 4.30pm	Y3 to Y6

To sign up for:

Ballet and Jazz Dance click on this link [Ballet and Jazz Dance sign up information](#)

Football click on this link [Football sign up information](#)

Drama click on this link [Drama sign up information](#)

For all other clubs this is done via Google forms, please click on the links below

[Key Stage 1 form](#) (Reception to Year 2)

[Key Stage 2 form](#) (Year 3 to Year 6)

### Start of Day Arrangements



Before school club is from 7.45am to 8.30am. Children attending before school club should enter the hall via the main school glass entrance doors.

From 8.30am to 8.50am parents may drop children off at the school gate which will be manned by Avalon staff. Alternatively parents and carers who may wish to bring their child onto the school site and drop their child off at the allocated entrance doors.

For reception, Year 1 and Year 2, this will be at the main glass entrance doors. For all Junior children, Year 3 to Year 6, this will be at the front door of the junior building.

Late attendance (after 8.50am). If your child is late coming into school, we then ask that parents ring the intercom for assistance and bring their child directly into the school office for registrations.

### End of the School Day

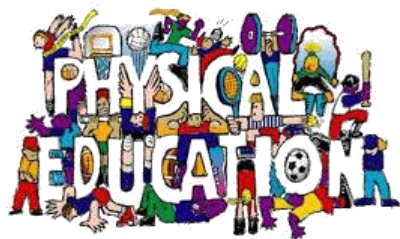


Children's collection arrangements will be similar to pre-COVID and are detailed below as follows:

Collection Time	Class	Where to collect your child
At the end of nursery or pre-school session or nursery wraparound	Nursery & Pre School	Main nursery entrance doors
3.05pm	Reception	Nursery entrance doors
3.05pm	Year 1	Main school glass entrance doors
3.05pm	Year 2	Nursery entrance doors
3.40pm	Year 3	Junior building front door
3.40pm	Year 4	Junior building front door

	3.40pm	Year 5	Main school glass entrance
	3.40pm	Year 6	Main school glass entrance

## PE Days



Below are the days that the children will be having their PE Lessons. Children should come into school dressed in their full PE kit on their designated PE days. Please could we also request that children have their School Blazer or Waterproof Coat with them, particularly as the weather will soon be turning much cooler. Hats and Caps will not be required on designed PE kit days

Year Group	Days
Reception	Friday
Year 1	Monday
Year 2	Friday
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Wednesday
Year 5	Thursday
Year 6	Friday

## Parking & Driving Around School



To help keep all members of our school community and our wider community safe please remember not to park on the zig-zag lines outside school when dropping off or picking up children and to aid visibility please avoid parking on the road directly outside school. We would also ask any parents using Warwick Drive to be extra careful and aware of pedestrians using this route to access school. It would also be much appreciated if parents consider the through traffic along Caldry Road and avoid attempting U-turns in the road. These sorts of manoeuvres in the road can be particularly dangerous for all road users and pedestrians during these busy times of day.

We thank you for your continued support and understanding as we all adapt to different routines.

## Uniform Supplier

UNIFORMITY Schoolwear

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

Please following the link to a letter from [Uniformity](#) regarding summer orders.

## Pre-Loved Uniform



Thank you all for your continued support of Pre-Loved Uniform. We are now in a position to take donations. Please note we no longer accept the P.E uniform.

If you can ensure the donations are clean and in good condition and wearable. Please leave donations with the school office.

If you do need any uniform please email [uniformpta@gmail.com](mailto:uniformpta@gmail.com) with any queries you may have. We have lots of items in stock.

Thanks again.

Pre-Loved ♥

### 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](mailto:accounts@avalon-school.co.uk) or [annevans@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:annevans@avalon-school.co.uk)

### Term Dates 2021-2022



#### Year 2021-2022

Autumn Term	
Staff Training Days	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021
Term Starts	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021
Half-Term	<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021</b>
Ends	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 – 12 noon Finish
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Half-Term	<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>
Ends	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	

	Staff Training Day	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
	Term Starts	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
	<b>May Day</b>	<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022</b>
	<b>Half-Term</b>	<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022</b>
	Ends	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 – Normal Finish Time



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### NOVEMBER

Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Immunisation Program – Reception to Year 6
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Bauble competition opens
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Reception to Year 2 Chester Zoo Trip
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Anti Bullying Sharing Assembly (parents invited) 9.10am and 2pm Christmas Bauble completion closes
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	LAMDA Exam

#### December

Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Preschool and Nursery Nativity TBC
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	PTA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Infant Nativity TBC
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Juniors to watch Oliver Twist  Infants Christmas party with Freddie Fantastic
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day



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

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Tel: 0151 625 6993

Email: [schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:schooloffice@avalon-school.co.uk)

Headteacher: Mrs J Callaway [jcallaway@avalon-school.co.uk](mailto:jcallaway@avalon-school.co.uk)



**Starting  
Wednesday  
15th September**

**Admission &  
Refreshments  
Only £3  
per child**



# **Avalon School Parent & Toddler Group**



**Wednesdays  
9.30am to 10.30am**



**Babies to 5 Years**



**Guest Session Leaders**

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