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CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS!



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

House Points – This Week

153

156

141

173

Total House Points for the Year To-date

1113

947

961

954

Merit Badges

Reception

M W

Year 1

F C

Year 2

E U

Year 3

E P

Year 4

G L

Year 5

E W

T K

Year 6

S S
I A

Achievement Certificates



Reception

A H

Year 1

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Year 2

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Year 3

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Year 4

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Year 5

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Year 6

R W

M L
G F

Headteacher Awards



Year 4
Year 5

Year 6

G L
T K
I W
E P
L McG
G F

Mathletics

Pupil of the Week!



Reception to Year 2

Year 3 & Year 4

Year 5 & Year 6

N P

Z D

I W

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

COVID-19 Update



If any member of your household has tested positive for COVID-19 or has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, your child can continue to attend school only under the following conditions:

1. You should book them a PCR test (ideally on day 3-5 after they were first in contact with the household case)
2. You should ensure that they carry out a daily LFT at home for 5-7 days, starting on the day you think they were first exposed to your household case.
3. You should let the school know what the daily LFT result is. If the test is negative each day, your child can continue to come into school each day. If any LFT is positive, you must book a PCR and your child must stay at home until you have the results. If the confirmatory PCR test is taken within the two days following the positive LFT result and PCR result is negative, your child can return to school.

Your child can continue to attend school as long as they remain symptom-free AND have a daily LFT that is negative. If ANY of the above tests are positive, your child will need to self-isolate for 10 full days from the date of the test and cannot come into school until the isolation period is over.

[COVID-19 Update Letter](#)

Christmas Decoration Competition



Our Christmas trees will soon be arriving at school, ready to be decorated! We would like to run a competition for each child to decorate a Christmas bauble to be placed on the tree in the main school hall. The winning decoration from each class will be announced at the PTA Christmas Fair and winners will each receive a prize.

To enter the competition:

1. Decorate the bauble provided
2. Attach the label provided, to the bauble, clearly marked with the child's name and class
3. Return the decorated bauble, label and a £1 donation in the envelope provided, to your child's form teacher to complete your entry
4. Competition winners will be announced at the PTA Christmas Fair.

All competition entries must be returned to school with a £1 donation by Monday 29th November to be entered into the competition.

Anti-Bullying Sharing Assembly Monday 29th November



On Monday 29th November we will be holding out Antibullying Sharing Assembly.

If you wish to attend the assembly can you please return the form to the school office with your requested time, by Wednesday 24th November.

[Anti-Bullying Sharing Assembly Letter](#)

So far we have raised a fantastic **£100**

Thank You!
FOR YOUR DONATION

Children in Need



Thank you to all who were able to attend our Children in Need Breakfast. We hope everyone had a great time! The children had a great day playing games and getting into the 'Strictly' spirit.



So far we have raised an amazing **£330.90**

Thank You!
FOR YOUR DONATION

Chester Zoo Reception to Year 2



All of the children in Reception to Year 2 enjoyed their trip to Chester Zoo on Thursday 18th November.

The children had a great time seeing all the animal, learning about how many species there are and about the lifestyle of the animals. (including how many poops an elephant does a day!)



A Special Gift from Lidl



This week the children in Nursery and Pre-School have received a donation of two child size shopping trolleys from Lidl supermarket. These type of resources are invaluable to our imaginary play areas as they can really support our children's learning and promote many language opportunities. The children have already put the trolleys to good use and are enjoying them tremendously. A very big thank you to Lidl supermarket for these wonderful resources.



PTA Christmas Fair Friday 3rd December 2021



We do hope that you can join us at this year's PTA Christmas Fair on Friday 3rd December 2021, from 3.30pm until 5.30pm.

To make the fair a success we need your help. Please can you donate any of the following:

- Chocolate bars or box of chocolates for the Chocolate Tombola
- Bottles (from spirits to shampoo, wine to water) for the Bottle Tombola
- Filled mugs (fill a spare mug from home with goodies such as sweets, toys, stationery, hair accessories etc) for the Mug Tombola
- Prizes for the Raffle

Donations can be brought to the school office from **Monday 29th November**. Please do not bring donations prior to this date as school has very limited storage space available.

Story House Theatre – Oliver Twist Thursday 9th December



We have booked for all children in Years 3 to Year 6 to go and see a stage production of Oliver Twist at Storyhouse Theatre, Chester On Thursday 9th December.

The cost of the trip will be £16.50 and this includes the coach and theatre ticket. We would ask that you send children with their Avalon water bottle and a healthy snack to eat during the interval.

The coach will be leaving at 9:15am and will return to school in time for lunchtime. There will be no need for any spending money and children must wear full school uniform.

For more information, see the [Story House Theatre Letter](#)

Nursery & Pre-School Nativity Thursday 2nd December



The Nursery & Pre-School Nativity will be held at 2pm on Thursday 2nd December, in the school hall.

Infants Nativity Tuesday 7th December



The Infants (Reception – Year 2) Nativity will be held at 2pm on Thursday 7th December, in the school hall.

Nursery – Year 2 Christmas Parties Thursday 9th December



The Nursery – Year 2 Christmas Parties will be on Thursday 9th December. This will include a visit from the magician Fantastic Freddie.

Whole School Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day Friday 10th December



On Friday 10th December we will be having our whole school Christmas lunch, as well as Christmas jumper day. Can we kindly ask for a donation of £1 in aid of our PTA

Whole School Celebration at St Bridgets Tuesday 14th December

Avalon School's
Christmas Celebration



On Tuesday 14th December, the whole school will be attending St Bridget's Church for our Christmas celebration.

School will close for Christmas break at 12.30pm. Children may be collected directly from the Church.

Lunch Menu

Lunch menu for the week commencing 15th November



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

Favourite Meal of the Week	
Main	Chicken Korma
Pudding	Chocolate Crunch

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.

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.

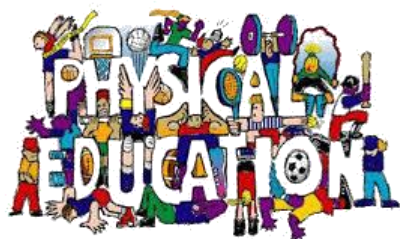
End of the School Day



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

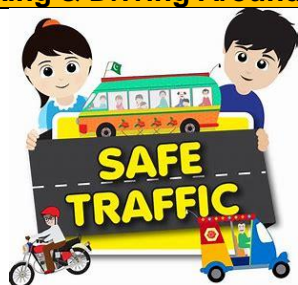
PE Days



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 Caldy 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 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 or annevans@avalon-school.co.uk

Term Dates 2021-2022



Year 2021-2022

We would like to draw your attention to an additional staff training day on Friday 27th May 2022. As you are probably aware we usually have two staff training days at the start of the academic year, however we had one training day this September and therefore we have booked the reserved training day on Friday 27th May 2022.

Autumn Term 2021	
Staff Training Days	Wednesday 1 st September 2021
Term Starts	Thursday 2 nd September 2021
Half-Term	Monday 18th October to Friday 29th October 2021
Ends	Tuesday 14 th December 2021 – 12:30pm Finish
Spring Term 2022	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 4 th January 2022

Term Starts	Wednesday 5 th January 2022
Half-Term	Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February 2022
Ends	Friday 1 st April 2022 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term 2022	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 19 th April 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 20 th April 2022
May Day	Monday 2nd May 2022
Staff Training Day	Friday 27 th May 2022
Half-Term	Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022
Ends	Wednesday 13 th July 2022 – Normal Finish Time

Academic Year 2022 – 2023

Autumn Term	
Staff Training Days	Thursday 1 st & Friday 2 nd September 2022
Term Starts	Monday 5 th September 2022
Half-Term	Monday 17th October to Friday 28th October 2022
Ends	Tuesday 13 th December 2022 – 12 noon Finish
Spring Term	
Staff Training Day	Wednesday 4 th January 2023
Term Starts	Thursday 5 th January 2023
Half-Term	Monday 20th February to Friday 24th February 2023
Ends	Friday 31 st March April 2023 – Normal Finish Time
Summer Term	
Staff Training Day	Monday 17 th April 2023
Term Starts	Tuesday 18 th April 2023
May Day	Monday 1st May 2023
Half-Term	Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023
Ends	Wednesday 12 th July 2023 – Normal Finish Time



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER

Monday 29 th	Anti Bullying Sharing Assembly (parents invited) 9.10am and 2pm Christmas Bauble completion closes
Tuesday 30 th	LAMDA Exam

December

Thursday 2 nd	2pm Preschool and Nursery Nativity
Friday 3 rd	3.30 – 5.30pm PTA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 7 th	2pm Infant Nativity
Thursday 9 th	Juniors to watch Oliver Twist Infants Christmas party with Freddie Fantastic
Friday 10 th	Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
Tuesday 14 th	11.30am: Christmas celebration at St. Bridget's Church – Parents invited. School finishes at 12:30pm for the Christmas break



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

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Wellbeing Quote of the Week



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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