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### CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS!



St Andrew



St David



St George



St Patrick

Total House Points for the Year To-date

1441

1257

1322

1206

### NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS

#### Spring Term 2022



Happy New Year!

Welcome back to school, we hope that you had a wonderful Christmas break and are fully refreshed, ready for the busy term ahead.

#### Spring Term School Fees Reception to Year 6



Invoices were due for payment on the first day of the spring term, Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 unless arrangements have been made to pay by direct debit / payment plan. Thank you.

Nursery and Pre-School invoices for January have been emailed to parents this week.

#### Updated COVID -19 Guidance



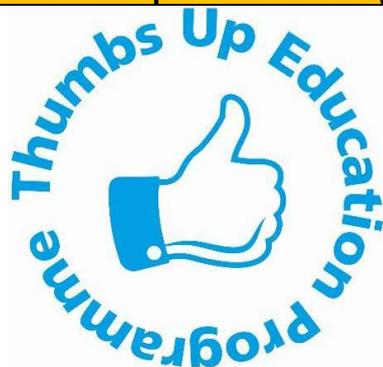
Updated government guidance can be found following the link below for parents in regard to COVID-19, including what to do if you or your child test positive or have symptoms, the current self-isolation periods and how to get tested: [Government Guidance](#)

### Extra-Curricular Clubs



Extra-curricular clubs will commence for the Spring term starting Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January. If you child would like to attend any of the clubs then please use the sign up forms further below to sign your child up.

### Year 5 Thumbs Up Education Programme



The Year 5 children will be taking part in the “Thumbs Up” Education essential life skills programme. The sessions are delivered over 6 weeks of hourly sessions. Each session will focus on supporting and developing essential life skills including:

The sessions include:

- Getting to Know Each Other
- Understanding Thoughts, Feelings and Behaviour
- The Importance of You
- Mind Over Matter
- Living with Happiness and Positivity.

The sessions will commence on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

### Easyfundraising for the PTA



Please remember to use easy fundraising every time you shop online!

Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate, so you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying. These donations really help us out, so please sign up if you haven't yet.

Its easy and FREE! You can get started at [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

### Reception to Year 6 Flu Immunisation Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022



The School Immunisation Team will be returning to school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022 to offer the Nasal Flu Vaccine to children that were either absent at the previous session or had not completed the online consent form prior to the session. This is only available for the children who have been consented by parents or carers.

Parents must inform Immunisation Team on 0151 514 2510 if their child has received the Nasal Flu Vaccine at the GP Surgery

### Spring Term Extra-Curricular Clubs



Extra-curricular 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
Wednesday	Construction Club	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2

Thursday	Dance	3.05pm to 3.35pm	Rec – Y2
Friday	Drama	12.35pm to 1pm	Y1 & 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
	Tinkercard	12pm to 12.30pm	Y6
Tuesday	STEAM	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y3 - Y6
	Verbal Reasoning	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y5
Wednesday	Joseph Performance	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y6
Thursday	Netball	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y3 - Y6
	Oliver!	3.40pm to 4.30pm	Y5 & Y6
Friday	Drama	10.20am to 10.45am	Y3 & Y4
	Drama	12pm to 12.35pm	Y5 & 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](#)

Football click on this link [Football Sign Up](#)

Drama Club click on this link [Speech & Drama Sign Up](#)

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

[Key Stage 1 Sign Up Form](#) (Reception to Year 2)

[Key Stage 2 Sign Up Form](#) (Year 3 to Year 6)

### Lunch Menu

Lunch menu for the week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022



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

### Favourite Meal of the Week

Main	Pasta Bolognese
Pudding	Sponge Cake

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

#### Breaktime Snack



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.

#### Arriving Late to School



For safeguarding purposes, can we please remind parents that if your child is going to be late for school, that you bring your child to the school office so we can ensure that your child has been signed in.

#### Start of the 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.

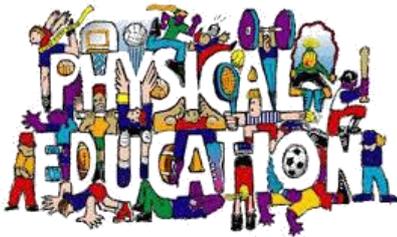
#### End of the School Day



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.

## 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 ♡

## Uniform Supplier

UNIFORMITY Schoolwear

Uniform can be purchased from Uniformity Clothing using the link below:

<http://www.uniformityschools.com/>

Click on the following link for a list fo required uniform items:

[Uniform List - Nursery to Year 6](#)

## 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 & 2022-2023



### Academic Year 2021-2022

**We would like to draw your attention to an additional staff training day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022.**

Autumn Term 2021	
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 – 12:30pm Finish

<b>Spring Term 2022</b>	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Term Starts	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
<b>Half-Term</b>	<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
<b>Summer Term 2022</b>	
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>
Staff Training Day	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
<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

### **Academic Year 2022-2023**

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



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### January 2022

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thumbs Up Session
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Nasal Flu Vaccine for any children who miss the 1 <sup>st</sup> round
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 5 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thumbs Up Session
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 4 <sup>th</sup> Thumbs Up Session

#### February 2022

Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 5 <sup>th</sup> Thumbs Up Session
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Mental Health Week commences
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 6 <sup>th</sup> Thumbs Up Session
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	M&M Theatre at School – Jungle Book
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	School Closed for Half Term
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term Break
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Children Return to School Before & After School open as usual



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

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## Wellbeing Quote of the Week



No need to book  
Come along and join in the fun!

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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