



# AVALON SCHOOL

## Weekly Bulletin

### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2017

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## CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

### This Week's Winners



**St Andrew**



**St David**



**St George**



**St Patrick**

#### House Points

**174**

**163**

**164**

**153**

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

**402**

**318**

**364**

**372**

#### Merit Badges

Reception			AT	
Year 1				AO
Year 2		EW		
Year 3	JS			
Year 4	HM	KM		
Year 5	LG		PB	
Year 6		AH	ME	

#### Golden Table

SM (Rec)  
IP (Y3)

OS (Y1)  
HM (Y4)  
MW (Y6)

JS (Y2)  
WR (Y5)

## Dates For Your Diary

### SEPTEMBER 2017

**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup>**

PTA Family Fun Day  
2-5pm

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Fri 29<sup>th</sup>**

Best of British Week 1

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup>**

NSPCC Assembly & Workshops

**Thur 28<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup>**

110 Years  
Celebrations  
Deputy Lieutenant Visit

### OCTOBER 2017

**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fri 6<sup>th</sup>**

Best of British Week 2

**Thur 5<sup>th</sup>**

Children's Individual & Sibling Photographs

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup>**

Macmillan Coffee Morning

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Meeting 6pm

**Tue 10<sup>th</sup>**

Rec-Y4 Flu  
Immunisations

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup>**

Harvest Assembly  
9.15am

**Thur 12<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

**Sat 14<sup>th</sup>**

Open Morning

## NOTICES & REMINDERS

### IMPORTANT

#### Collection Point for ALL Extra-Curricular After School Clubs

ALL extra-curricular after school clubs will be dismissed from the main school entrance.

### PTA Family Fun Day

#### Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2pm-5pm

**It's tomorrow!** We do hope you will be able to join us for this exciting PTA event. It's a chance to get to know new families and catch up with returning families after the summer break. See flyer below

### NSPCC Assembly & Workshop

#### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September

The NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. programme is visiting our school to make sure our pupils have the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse. The programme will be delivered on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September. With the help of their friendly mascot Buddy, they'll be presenting an assembly to the children in our school as well as a workshop for Years 5 and 6.

### 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

#### Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September

As you know we are celebrating our 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. To start off the celebrations we will be holding a special event on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 1.45pm. We have invited the Deputy Lieutenant of Merseyside, Colonel Martin GC Amlôt OBE OStJ DL and his wife to attend, previous Headteachers, Governors and many special guests who have a long standing connection with Avalon and cherished memories, of times gone by, to share with us.

There are still some tickets available if you would like to attend, please call into the school office for a reply slip.

### Children's Individual & Sibling Photographs

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October

Individual and sibling pupil photographs will be taken on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 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 organised 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, we would be grateful if you could arrive at Nursery for 9.30am. 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.

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

#### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 8.50am

We would like to invite you to our coffee morning on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. We would be delighted if you would join us in the school hall from 8.50am until 9.30am where we will be providing refreshments and cake for a suggested donation of £2.50.

9.15am – 12 Noon

**Thur 19<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

PTA Halloween Disco  
5.30pm – 7.15pm

**Sat 21<sup>st</sup>**

11+ Results

**HALF TERM**  
**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fri 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**October**

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup>**

Choir to perform at  
Caldy Church – TBC

## **NOVEMBER 2017**

**Thur 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

**Mon 6<sup>th</sup>**

Remembrance  
Assembly

**Thur 9<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> – Fri 17<sup>th</sup>**

Friendship Week

Nursery & Pre-School  
Stay & Play Week

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup>**

Year 1 Class Assembly  
Parents Welcome  
9.05am

**Wed 15<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Thur 16<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

Parents Evening  
Meetings  
Year 2, Year 3 & Year  
5

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 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 from 8.15am and taken directly to the school hall.

### **Ballet**

Ballet from Nursery to Year 2 will continue through the Autumn Term. However Junior Ballet (Years 3 to 6) will not run this term. This will be reviewed after half term.

### **Parent Toddler Group**

Our Parent Toddler Group runs every Thursday during term time at 1.45pm. This term's guest sessions will include "Splat Messy Play" and "Globe Boppers". Admission is £3 which includes all activities and refreshments. See flyer below.

### **Card Payments**

Unfortunately, as from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017 we will no longer be able to offer the facility of making payments by credit or debit cards. The facility has been used by a very small number of parents over the last two years and is therefore not cost effective to continue to offer the facility. We do apologise if this caused any inconvenience.

### **Harvest Festival Assembly**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 9.15am**

We will be celebrating Harvest in the School Hall on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am. Parents and carers are warmly welcomed to join us and refreshments will be available in the hall from 9am.

We would kindly ask you to send in a small gift with your child for the service. Any donations will be presented by the children at the start of the service.

Both perishable and non-perishable goods would be most welcome. After the service, the donations will be transported to the Charles Thompson Mission in Birkenhead to help support them with their charitable work for people in our local area.

### **Open Morning**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 9.15am-12 Noon**

We are holding an Open Morning on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October.

The morning will run between 9.30am and 12 noon and will be the major occasion of the year when we open our doors to the public and give them the opportunity of finding out what Avalon has to offer. To do this effectively, we need help from the children from Reception to Year 6 to act as guides or participate in the range of activities that visitors can observe or join in. Children in the Nursery and Pre-School will **not** be needed on the day. Whilst we know that many families have weekend commitments, we very much hope that almost all of the relevant children will be able to join us for a few hours on this very important day.

The morning is also an opportunity for parents of current pupils to look around the school and for them to bring friends to visit who may be interested in learning more about the school. Refreshments will be served and senior staff and governors will be available throughout the morning. We enclose a flyer for the event and we would be grateful if you could pass them on to any friends/colleagues who may be interested in

**Fri 17<sup>th</sup>**

Children In Need  
Breakfast

Friendship Assembly

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – Fri 24<sup>th</sup>**

Road Safety Week

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup>**

Governor Meeting  
5.30pm

**Thur 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup>**

LAMDA Exams

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – Fri 1<sup>st</sup>  
Dec**

Reception Stay & Play  
Week

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup>**

Year 3 Class Assembly  
Parents Welcome  
9.05am

**Thur 30<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

## DECEMBER 2017

**Fri 1<sup>st</sup>**

PTA Christmas Fair

**Tue 5<sup>th</sup>**

Junior Theatre Trip

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup>**

Nursery & Pre-School  
Nativity

**Thur 7<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Toddler Group  
1.45pm

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup>**

School Christmas  
Lunch

All Extra-Curricular  
Clubs Finish This  
Week

visiting us.

If the children could arrive at school for 9.15am, in their school uniform, so that we can register them and prepare them for their first activity, it would be greatly appreciated.

If your son/daughter will **not** be able to attend the Open Morning, we would be grateful if you could inform us in writing by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

## 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.

## Autumn Term Clubs Timetable

Day	Club	Time	Year Group	Leader
Mon	Judo	3.05pm-3.35pm 3.40pm-4.40pm	R-Y2 Y3-Y6	North West Judo Academy – Paul Mills
	STEM	Lunchtime	Y5-Y6	Miss Tweed
	Choir	Lunchtime	Y3-Y6	Mrs Keenan
	Japanese Language	Lunchtime	Y3-Y6	Mrs Bartle
Tues	Mathletics	Lunchtime	Y3-Y6	Mrs Ellsmoor
	UKMT Maths Challenge	3.40pm-4.30pm	Y5-Y6	Mr Ashton
	Netball	3.40pm-4.30pm	Y4-Y6	Mrs Brew
	Debating	Lunchtime	T5-Y6	Mr Ashton
	Ballet	1.55pm-2.30pm 2.30pm-3.05pm 3.05pm-3.40pm	N & PS R-Y1 Y2	Mrs Christy
Wed	Football	Lunchtime	Y3-Y6	Mrs Kililiku
	ICT Lego	3.40pm-4.30pm	Y3-Y6	Mrs Ellsmoor
	Choir	Lunchtime	Y3-Y6	Mrs Keenan
	Creative Writing	3.40pm-4.30pm	Y3-Y6	Miss Fletcher
	Mini Olympics	3.05pm-3.40pm	Y1-Y2	Full of Beans
	Dodgeball	3.45pm-4.45pm	Y3-Y6	Full of Beans
Thur	Streetdance	3.05pm-3.40pm 3.45pm-4.30pm	Y1-Y2 Y3-Y6	Full of Beans
	Library	Lunchtime	Y3-Y6	Mrs Kililiku
	Storytime	3.05pm-3.40pm	R-Y2	Mrs Parkins
	Football	3.45pm-4.30pm	Y4-Y6	Mrs Ashton & Mr Mellor
Friday	Drama	12.10pm-12.40pm 12.40pm-1.10pm 1.10pm-1.40pm	R Y1 Y3	Mrs Hamer

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup>**  
 Infant Christmas  
 Concert

**Tue 12<sup>th</sup>**  
 Infant Christmas Party

**Thur 14<sup>th</sup>**  
 Christmas Celebration  
 Rehearsal at St  
 Bridget's Church

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup>**  
 Christmas Celebration  
 at St Bridget's

**Finish for Christmas  
 at 12 noon**

**CHRISTMAS BREAK**  
**Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec to**  
**Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018**

		3.05pm-3.35pm 3.40pm-4.30pm	Y2 Y4-Y6	
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### Term Dates – 2017/2018

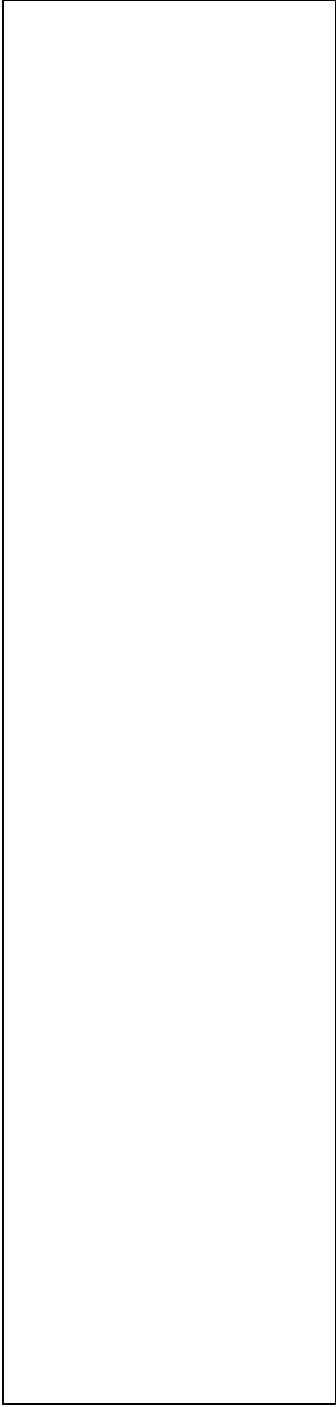
Autumn Term	
Start	Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> & Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017 Staff INSET Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017 Children Return
Half Term	Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017
Finish	Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 – 12 Noon Finish
Spring Term	
Start	Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018 Staff INSET Tue 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018 Children Return
Half Term	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb 2018
Finish	Thur 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2018 – 12 Noon Finish
Summer Term	
Start	Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2018 Staff INSET Tue 17 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2018 Children Return
Half Term	Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> May to Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Jun 2018
End	Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Jul 2018 – 12 Noon Finish



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

## **PLANES & TRAINS WEEK**

Monday 25th - Friday 29th  
September 2017



## **LEGO Night**

Make a paper plane and fly it

Juice & biscuit on arrival

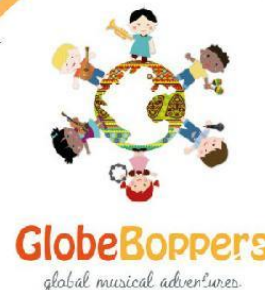
Range of healthy snacks at 4:45

## **Parent Toddler Group**

**Avalon School Nursery, Caldby Rd,  
West Kirby**

Every Thurs during term time, **1.45-3pm**  
**(Starts Thurs 14th September)**

Come & join us each week with  
**GlobeBoppers**-global musical adventures  
OR **Splat Messy Play**



**£3 including  
refreshments  
(Age 3mths-  
5yrs)**



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# AUTUMN FUN DAY 2017

**SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER**  
**2PM TO 5PM**

AVALON PTA WOULD  
LIKE TO WELCOME YOU ALL  
BACK TO SCHOOL!

**BBQ**  
will be served from 2.30pm  
PLUS LOOK OUT FOR OUR  
GREAT BRITISH BAKE OFF  
COMPETITION



BOUNCY CASTLE  
BUNGEE RUN  
40FT INFLATABLE  
ASSAULT COURSE  
DAZZLED BY DESIGN  
JEWELLERY STALL  
CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA  
SAND ART  
TUCK SHOP

**TICKETS £5.00 PER HEAD**  
**EVERYONE WELCOME!**