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Dear Parents and Carers,



## Parents' Evening Online Consultations – Booking Appointments Nursery and Pre-School Week Commencing: 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Following the successful introduction of School Cloud, as our platform for parent's evenings last term, and positive feedback from parents, we will be using School Cloud again for this term's parents' evening meetings.

We believe it is a more convenient system than what we have used before, enabling parents to set appointments with teachers and manage bookings online. School Cloud is a website platform and thus can be accessed from all iPhone and Android phones, iPads, and tablets, as well as laptops and desktop devices. School Cloud offers us the ability to hold video calls with parents. This means you can have meetings with teachers at a place and time convenient to you.

We intend to continue to hold video calls with parents until DfE guidance supports parents being able to come into school to meet face to face. As school has only recently reopened to all children, it is intended that these parents' evening meetings will, for this term, replace written progress reports. This platform offers an efficient, and in-depth approach in helping us to share information and data about your children's progress and development, in a timely manner.

We do, however, recognise that not everyone may be able to access the online system to make appointments; in this instance, please contact the school office or email <u>annevans@avalon-school.co.uk</u> who will be able to make appointments for you.

Consultation slots are 10 minutes to enable staff to speak to as many parents as possible. We require parents and staff to limit discussions to the allocated time to ensure that other parents' appointments are not compromised. Using the new video call system, the 10-minute slot will be automatically in place so calls will end at this point. Timers can be seen on your screen, so you are able to communicate your messages to staff during the allocated time.

If you have a concern that requires a lengthier conversation, we request that you contact the school office to arrange for an appointment at a separate time.

If you are unable to attend the evening or to book an appointment, please email the school office to discuss.



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Parents' Evening Consultation appointments will take place on the following dates and should be booked accordingly:

Mandy Elliott	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Alison Prandle	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Julie Bache	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Jackie Duffy	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Jo Rice	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021

Appointments can be made from Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March from 4pm and will close on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 4pm. Should you wish to make any changes after this date please contact the school office or <u>annevans@avalon-school.co.uk</u>

Please visit <u>https://avalon.schoolcloud.co.uk/</u> to book your appointments. (A short guide on how to add appointments is included with this letter.)

## Parents should Login with the following information:

- To login you will need to enter your own name, your email and your child's name, date of Birth.
- Parents should log in separately for each child where there is more than one sibling.
- Parents will receive an email confirming all appointment bookings made.

Please note that only one appointment per child can be made, with the exception for separated parents, who will be able to make individual appointments.

Yours sincerely.

Mrs J Callaway Headteacher













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## Parents' Guide for Booking Appointments



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	Step 6: Finished All your bookings now appear on the My Bookings page. An email confirmation has been sent and you can also print appointments by pressing <i>Print</i> . Click <i>Subscribe to Calendar</i> to add these and any future bookings to your calendar. To change your appointments, click on <i>Amend Bookings</i> .