



# NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2014



NEWSLETTER NO.1

## WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!

A warm welcome back to you all after the summer break. It is lovely to see how well rested and healthy the children (and the adults!) look after our holidays.

We have an 8 week term to enjoy, full of activity and learning so we will need to maintain our health and fitness to ensure we all have the energy we need to meet the new challenges and adventures of the weeks to come. Make sure you take good care of yourselves and your families!

Most of the rest of this particular newsletter is devoted to reminders – important ones though. Please take the time to read each section carefully. Thank you.



## Annual Consent Form and Medical Form



Please ensure that you fill in the annual paperwork we are sending out with this newsletter **and return them to school as soon as possible!** Thank you.

If your child has an allergy or medical condition, please ensure that you fill in and return the Medical Form as a matter of priority.

## **INHALERS**

**Some of you will also need to complete new Medicine Forms if you have asked us to administer inhalers or other regular medication. This applies even if you completed a form last year. A new form must be completed annually, so please see office staff for a new form.**

**Thank you.**

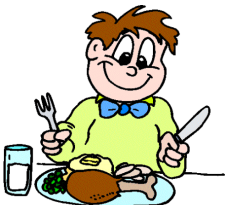
**Please remember that we cannot administer any medication that is not clearly marked with a prescription label.**

This important information will be disseminated to all the staff who work with your child and a copy will be kept in the First Aid Room. It would be appreciated if you could also tell class staff face to face too. Thank you.

## ANNUAL HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Please would you share this with your child and read it together, sign and return it asap. Thank you.

Many thanks.



## FREE MEALS SERVICE

A reminder that free lunches are available to all children in our school from this point forward. The children (most of them!) enjoyed their first lunch today. Those who didn't said that what had been ordered for them was not their choice. If at all possible please could parents consult with their children about what they would like for lunch? Perhaps they could share and decide with you when you are booking their meal choices online. Thank you.

Please remember that all lunch bookings must be done online (or by form from the office – limited forms available) by the Monday morning of the week before you want your child to have a free meal. You can make block bookings. There will be no meal for your child if you do not book in enough time so please make sure that you to provide a packed lunch from home on those days. There is no emergency meal facility such as book on the day – everything must be booked a week in advance. Thank you.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS THAT COME INTO SCHOOL ARE NAMED. OUR LOST PROPERTY BOX GETS FULL VERY QUICKLY!!!



**SCHOOL OPENING TIMES**

The school doors open at 8.50.

Children and adults are welcome to wait in the playground but the climbing apparatus is out of bounds.

**Children should never be left in the playground without a responsible adult to look after them before school.**

Thank you

**PAYING FOR SCHOOL SNACK**

Snack money remains at £1.00 per week. We are able to offer a small discount if you choose to pay for a term or a year in advance.



	Cost	Discounted cost if paid in full at the beginning of term.	Saving
Cost per school year (38 weeks)	<b>£38</b>	<b>£35</b>	<b>£3 per year</b>
Approximate cost per term (spread across the 6 terms of the year)	<b>£6.33</b>	<b>£6.00</b>	<b>33p per term (approx. £2.00 per year)</b>
Cost if paid weekly - with no discounts.	<b>£1.00</b>		
Please put the money in the envelope in your child's classroom. Thank you.			



**P.E KIT AND JEWELLERY REMINDER**



Pupils are expected to change into shorts and T shirts for all P.E. lessons. Children should wear close fitting, but comfortable, shorts and T shirts that do not have flapping sleeves or legs. This is important in order that the children do not get their clothing caught up on apparatus in gymnastics lessons. Vests or capped sleeved shirts would be appropriate too. Shorts should not be so long that they cover the back of your child's knees. Cycling shorts and sports T shirts or vests such as those sold by Matalan are perfect and only cost a few pounds.

**Logging or track suit bottoms must not be worn for indoor P.E lessons.**

Children should have plimsolls or trainers in their P.E bags at all times too please. Matalan sell these extremely cheaply too.

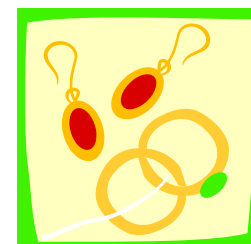


**JEWELLERY**

Please can we remind you that **NO** jewellery (including woven thread bracelets or special necklaces) can be worn during any P.E lesson. Children who have recently had ear piercings will **not be able** to take part until their earrings can be removed independently by the child, or are removed by their parent/carer before the start of the school day.

**Adults in school are not permitted to remove children's earrings.**

Children may prefer to leave their jewellery at home on the days they have P.E.  
 Year 2 children could have P.E on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.  
 Year 1 have P.E on Wednesday and Friday.  
 Reception children have P.E on Tuesday and Thursday.



PLEASE ENSURE THAT  
YOUR CHILD BRINGS  
THEIR BOOK BAG INTO  
SCHOOL EVERY DAY.  
THANK YOU.



WE ARE STILL GRATEFULLY  
RECEIVING ANY CLASS OR  
LIBRARY BOOKS THAT YOU  
HAVE FOUND AT HOME  
DURING THE HOLIDAYS.  
THANK YOU.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT  
THE BIKES AND  
SCOOTERS AND THE  
CLIMBING FRAME  
ARE OUT OF BOUNDS  
TO ALL CHILDREN (AND  
ADULTS!)

*(INCLUDING YOUNGER (OR  
OLDER!) BROTHERS, SISTERS,  
COUSINS, FRIENDS ETC.)*

BEFORE AND AFTER  
SCHOOL  
THANK YOU

#### COATS AND JUMPERS

Your child will be playing  
outside at lunchtimes and  
playtimes every day (even if it is  
drizzling) so please do send in  
light coats and jumpers/cardies  
each day now as the weather  
could change at any time over  
the next few  
days and  
weeks.



Many thanks.

#### DOGS

Please can we  
remind you  
that we  
do not  
allow  
dogs into the  
playground! If you  
bring a dog with you  
to collect your  
children please  
arrange for it to be  
looked after outside  
the school grounds.  
Thank you.



#### STAFFING NEWS

After retiring in July 2013 Ms Kneale is back again!! This time she is teaching Class 3 until Christmas when Miss Katie Shortland will take over. Miss Shortland is currently working her notice period in another school and will join her new class here in January 2015.

#### FINALLY

*It was lovely to welcome everyone back this morning. I hope that the children and you have enjoyed the long break from school. They all appear to have grown and look rested and well. They seem pleased to be back too which is a lovely compliment. We are all looking forward to the new term. Here's to a good couple of days this week and a wonderful term to follow.*

*Best wishes to you all from all the Avenue staff*

**PLEASE REMEMBER  
TO PUT NAME LABELS  
IN ALL YOUR CHILD'S  
SCHOOL CLOTHING!!!  
THANK YOU.**



# THE AVENUE INFANT SCHOOL - DATES FOR DIARIES



## AUTUMN 1 (TERM 1) 2014

<p>School opens to Y1 and Y2 pupils for start of Autumn Term 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">School opens to new Reception pupils.</p> <p>Welcome and information evening Y1 with crèche</p> <p>Welcome and information evening Y2 with crèche</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Y2 visit to Tesco's (to be confirmed)</p> <p>Welcome and information evening Reception with crèche</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Parent's evenings</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Diwali day in school</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Individual and sibling photographs</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Y2 to visit the Hindu temple</p> <p>Y1 and Y2 Harvest celebration at Everyday Champions Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(to be confirmed)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November</p>	<p>~ Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September</p> <p>~ Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September</p> <p>~ Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September @ 5.30 – 6.30</p> <p>~ Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September @ 6.45 – 7.45</p> <p>~ Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September</p> <p>~ Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September @ 5.30 – 6.30</p> <p>~ Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October from 3.45 – 6.00</p> <p>~ Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p>~ Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p>~ Monday October 20<sup>th</sup></p> <p>~ Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p>~ School closes for a week.</p> <p>~ School closed to pupils for staff training</p> <p>~ School opens to pupils for Autumn Term 2</p>
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