

ATTENDANCE

As you know we want to see your son and daughter in school as much as they can be. Even if a little under the weather please still bring them in, if you feel they are well enough for school, we can always contact you if we need to. A reminder regarding term time holidays and the new regulations. I shared the updated DfE information with you earlier in the year, it can be accessed on the school website if you want to read again, but term time holidays won't be authorised and a holiday of 5 days or more will mean a fine from the Local Education Authority. Ten unauthorised days absence in 10 weeks will also warrant a referral to the Local Authority. These are not our rules but the DfEs and school doesn't financially benefit from any fines, it just creates additional work and referral forms. Some parents seem to have been shocked with the new fining system despite it being shared. If you need any additional information then please contact the Office, Miss Braysford, (our Attendance Lead) or Mrs Brown.

SPARE CLOTHES

If we have had to send your child(ren) home with any of our spare undies/knickers/socks/tights, please could you check if you have them at home? If you do please could you wash and send back, they usually have Avondale written in it.

DO YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO LEARN TO PLAY AN INSTRUMENT?

WE HAVE SOME AVAILABLE SPACES FOR TUITION FOR THE FOLLOWING INSTRUMENTS:

GUITAR

DRUMS

PIANO

VIOLIN

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO LEARN TO PLAY ONE OF THESE INSTRUMENTS, PLEASE FOLLOW THE LINK BELOW TO SIGN THEM UP -

[HTTPS://BOLTON.PARITOR.COM/ENROL/TUITION/ACAA9E8F-C4AA-4A4E-B90A-F0618A77A074/32902851-F614-41FA-A6A2-5FEE2A663DAC](https://bolton.paritor.com/enrol/tuition/ACAA9E8F-C4AA-4A4E-B90A-F0618A77A074/32902851-F614-41FA-A6A2-5FEE2A663DAC)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SPEAK TO MISS WORMALD.



STARS OF THE WEEK

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| <p>YEAR 1</p> <p>1N: Raven</p> <p>1S: Deliah</p> | <p>YEAR 2</p> <p>2B: Bobby</p> <p>2L: Elianna</p> | <p>YEAR 3</p> <p>3B: Scarlett</p> <p>3L: Hanzala</p> |
| <p>YEAR 4</p> <p>4F: Eleanor</p> <p>4P: James</p> | <p>YEAR 5</p> <p>5M: Ethan</p> <p>5S: Amarah</p> | <p>YEAR 6</p> <p>6C: Travis</p> <p>6J: Ruby</p> |
| <p>CLASS</p> <p>Harry</p> <p>Jacob</p> | | <p>EYFS</p> <p>Harry</p> <p>Jacob</p> |



House of the Week

WINNER

| Team | Sunnyhurst | Bold Venture | Ashton | Whitehall |
|---------------|------------|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Weekly Totals | 125 | 225 | 200 | 125 |

Respect Resilience

Learning Do Your Best Make the Right Choice Kindness



Weekly Menu

WEEK 2

MONDAY
Chicken Nuggets or Veg Ravioli

TUESDAY
Beef Nachos or Tomato Pasta

WEDNESDAY
Cheese Flan or Assorted Wraps

THURSDAY
Chicken Burger or Southern Fried Veg Burger

FRIDAY
Sausage Rolls or Cheese Pizza



It was lovely to celebrate Harvest in school this week, having the whole school together to give thanks for the bounty of our land and the food we have. We learnt about the harvest being the prize after all the hard work of growing food, we identified some strange looking fruits, we learnt that peanuts grow underground, we sang together to celebrate harvest time and shared a harvest story. A big thank you for all the harvest donations brought into school this week. As always Avondale families are very generous and help support those around them. The donations have gone to 'Darwen Food Larder' if you need support please don't hesitate to get in touch with school or contact them direct.

To all at
AVONDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL
On behalf of Darwen Food Larder and Nightsafe,
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
for your kind and generous donations from your Harvest Festival. Your gifts will help to feed many people in the coming months.



MY TIME TO THRIVE

An Emotional Health and Wellbeing Service for children in Lancashire and South Cumbria that works alongside other mental health services using the Thrive model of care to provide the right service at the right time.

What is the MyTime to Thrive service?

Barnardo's MyTime to Thrive is an Emotional Health and Wellbeing service working alongside mental health partners using the Thrive model of care for all children in Lancashire and South Cumbria.

OFFERING short term therapy for children and young people struggling with their mental health and wellbeing.

SUPPORTING ages 5–18 and up to the age of 25 for those with additional needs.

DELIVERING counselling and therapeutic interventions, in person, online, individually and in groups.



Find out more



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Barnardo's Registered Charity Nos. 216250 and SC037605 25013AM24

FOR MORE INFORMATION

CLICK HERE



PENTATHLON EVENT

On Monday 7th October, some of our children went to St Bede's to compete against other schools in a Pentathlon. Our children worked extremely well as a team and we came 2nd overall. We are so proud of them all! Well done boys.



SICKNESS

Please remember that if your child is absent from school due to sickness and/or diarrhoea they can return to school 24 hrs after their final episode.

Y1/2 PARENTS

To avoid congestion please could we ask Y1 parents (collecting from 1S) to go back up the Y1 steps to get onto the yard (as opposed to walking past Y2 doors and up those steps).

Please could Y2 parents not go down these steps to collect - especially once the children are out. Thank you for your cooperation.

You can read more on our school website

@www.avondaleschool.co.uk

and also on our Facebook page

@avondaledarwen

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**SAVE
THE DATE**

| Date | Event |
|--|-----------------------|
| Wednesday 16 th October 2024 | Parents' Evening |
| Wednesday 30 th October 2024 9.15am & 11.00am | Open Event |
| Thursday 13 th February 2025 1.30pm finish | Parents' Evening |
| Tuesday 10 th June 2025 1.30pm | EYFS & KS1 Sports Day |
| Thursday 12 th June 2025 1.30pm | KS2 Sports Day |

**Christmas
Fair**

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

Date for your diary. The Christmas Fair will be held in school on 30th November 10am-12pm.

Do you or anyone you know have a business that would like a stall at the Avondale Christmas Fair?

The price of a stall is £15; payment is needed to secure your place. If you are interested, then please email the PTFA at friendsofavondale@avondale.blackburn.sch.uk. Please do not contact the school for a stall as we are unable to take bookings.

The PTFA have the following events planned - they are subject to change and we will remind you and provide you with further details nearer the time.

29/11/24 - Donations for the Tombola deadline (for Christmas Fair - more details to follow)

11/02/24 - Valentine's Disco

03/04/24 - Easter Disco

25/04/24 - Chocolate Bingo

PARENTS' EVENING

Next Wednesday 16th October is Parents' evening. Please ensure that you have booked an appointment with your child's class teacher via the link sent out. If you are struggling to book an appointment, then please ring the office. Bookings will close first thing Tuesday morning so that appointment lists can be prepared for the teachers.

If you have a child in After School Club and your appointment is around 6pm, please could you collect your child before you attend your appointment as it closes at 6pm. There may be additional charges if you collect late. Thank you.

St Cuthbert's Church, Darwen
Sunday 13th October 2pm

A concert by the Blackburn & Darwen Senior & Junior Bands

AUTUMN CONCERT

Children go FREE, adults £8 available on the door

Online Safety

WE KNOW HOW HARD IT IS TO FIND THE RIGHT INFORMATION TO STAY ON TOP OF YOUR CHILD'S INTERNET SAFETY.

THAT'S WHY INTERNET MATTERS HAVE CREATED A TOOLKIT. EVERYTHING YOU NEED, IN ONE PLACE, TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AS THEY GROW UP IN THEIR DIGITAL WORLD. YOU CAN ALSO SUBSCRIBE FOR UPDATES SENT STRAIGHT TO YOUR INBOX, TAILORED JUST FOR YOU.

IT ONLY TAKES TWO STEPS:

- ANSWER A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN'S DIGITAL HABITS (TAKES JUST A FEW MINUTES)
- GET YOUR TOOLKIT STRAIGHT TO YOUR INBOX TO USE AS OFTEN AS YOU LIKE

GET YOUR
PERSONALISED TOOLKIT



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matters

Learn together and
stay safe online