# AVJS Bulletin: January 6th 2020

Happy New Year everyone and welcome back! We hope you have had a lovely Christmas break and we are looking forward to the new term. Please remember, if you have a concern regarding your child, in the first instance you should arrange to speak to their class teacher. If you are unable to resolve your issue with the class teacher, you can then contact either Mr Baker or Miss Oates from Monday to Wednesday or Mr Rossington or Mr Baker on Thursdays and Fridays.

### **Diary Dates:**

**Tuesday, 14/01/20** – Reading open morning for parents and carers 10.45 – 12 noon.

**Friday, 24/01/20** – Chinese New Year themed lunch.

**Monday, 27/01/20** to Wednesday, 29/01/20 – 4M at Dukes Barn.

**Wednesday, 29/01/20** to Friday, 31/01/20 – 4B at Dukes Barn.

**Friday, 31/01/20** – Y6 DEAV graduation at 2.30pm. A separate letter has been sent about this.

**Tuesday, 11/02/20** – Safer internet day. **Wednesday, 12/02/20** – Parents' consultation meetings 3.40 – 6.30pm.

**Thursday, 13/02/20** - Parents' consultation meetings 3.40 – 6.30pm.

**Monday, 17/02/20** to Friday, 21/02/20 – Half term week.

**Monday, 24/02/20** – Inset day. School closed to pupils.

**Tuesday, 03/03/20** – Whole school maths morning. More information to follow.

Thursday, 05/03/20 – World Book day Monday, 09/03/20 to Friday, 13/03/20 – Sport Relief week.

**Friday, 20/03/20** – Mother's Day afternoon tea.

**Friday, 03/04/20** – Last day of the Spring term.

Please see the website for the full list of diary dates.

#### **Other News**

We are really pleased to inform you that we have a new member of staff who has joined us from the start of this term. Mr Nick Hicking has joined us as a High Level Teaching Assistant and will be working across the school supporting the learning for the children. I am sure you will make him feel very welcome here.

We hope that you can join us on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January for our reading morning (10.45 – 12.00 noon). You will have the opportunity to see how reading is taught at Arno Vale and then be able to enjoy some reading time with your child. A letter has already been sent out and if you need any further details, please see the letter section on our website or contact the office for more details. If you plan on attending, please email noreply@arnovale.notts.sch.uk to give us an idea of numbers.

As we progress through the winter months, we are keeping our fingers crossed that the weather does not take a turn for the worse. If it does, we will do everything we can to keep the school open providing it is safe to be on site and staff are able to make it in. If we have to make the decision to close the school, a ParentPay email will be sent out in the first instance and a message will be posted on the school's website. We will also inform Radio Nottingham and the Local Authority of the closure. We ask that in these circumstances you do not call the school as the phone lines can become clogged (or may not be answered if staff cannot make it in). It is never a decision we take lightly but unfortunately, sometimes it is necessary.

Please could all parents check their

ParentPay account to ensure any money
owing for visits and trips (including packed
lunches for trips) has been settled. We appear
to have some payment items outstanding



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such as for the Roman, Greek and Egyptian days.

The final instalment for Dukes Barn is now due. Please login to ParentPay to do this.

### Milk bottles needed!

In a couple of weeks, Year 4 will use their knowledge of electricity to make torches as a DT project. Please send your child with a clean, empty plastic milk bottle, preferably the type with a handle.

A big thank you to everyone for supporting us on the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. We managed to raise £170.60.

Just a reminder to parents / carers of children in 3C – swimming starts again this Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Parents' Evening is scheduled for the evenings of 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of February. As previously, we will be offering an electronic booking system for your appointment. You will receive an email on Tuesday 14th January at around 7pm with a link to make your booking. If you have any issues or do not receive the email, please do not worry and contact the school office who will be able to help you.

### **Community News**

If you need to find the location of your nearest Register Office, you do so by clicking on the link: <a href="https://www.registerofficenearme.com/">https://www.registerofficenearme.com/</a>.

Please see the following message from the Inspire Academy promoting their workshops: We'd love to see children from your school at our auditions for children between the ages of 7-11. Inspire Academy is a drama workshop based in Nottingham City Centre with a focus on a naturalistic, TV performance style. The group has been established since 2007 and has 160 members attending weekly sessions. We're a casting pool for TV & Film, which means our young people are given opportunities to audition for TV & Film. At the core of our ethos

is character development and we place a strong emphasis on confidence building and giving children an outlet for expression.



