

AVJS Bulletin: December 17th 2018

Welcome to our final bulletin of 2018. We would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a prosperous new year. See you on Monday, 7th January

Diary Dates:

Tuesday, 18/12/18 – Years 5 and 6 Christmas party. Children can bring a change of clothes for the afternoon. Friends of Arno Vale will be providing refreshments.

Friday, 21/12/18 – Last day of term

Monday, 7/01/19 – First day of the spring term.

Tuesday, 22/01/19 – Parent open evening to explain school results (more information to follow in the new year).

Friday, 25/01/19 – Friends of Arno Vale family disco.

Monday, 28/01/19 – Year 4 Dukes Barn week. (4FM Monday to Wednesday, 4B Wednesday to Friday)

Tuesday, 12/02/19 – Parent Consultation Evening

Wednesday, 13/02/19 – Parent Consultation Evening

Thursday, 14/02/19 – Mrs Hodgkinson leaving party (see information later on in this bulletin).

Friday, 15/02/19 – Inset Day

Other News

You will hopefully have received your parent questionnaire. Please take the time to complete it and return it to school. We do value your opinions and the questionnaires give us valuable feedback. If you have misplaced yours, it is available to download from the school website; go to the **parents** tab and then **letters**.

Many thanks to all of you who purchased a poppy, we raised £71.51. We also raised £134.05 on Christmas jumper day, well done!

Last week, the attainment and progress results for primary schools in England were published to the public. Last year, our Year 6 children worked extremely hard and performed very well with one of our best set of results for attainment. However, our progress results do not appear so good. We are therefore holding an open evening on Tuesday, January 22nd in the school hall for you to come along and obtain a true picture of how Arno Vale is doing. We will give you the context that surrounds our results and it will be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have. We will be sending you a letter with more information in the new year.

I would like to urge you all to be very careful and vigilant when dropping your children off in the mornings on Saville Road. We had a very near miss last week when a child got out of a car and ran across the road causing a car to make an emergency stop. Luckily, no one was hurt.

As you know, Mrs Hodgkinson leaves us on Friday, 15th February to begin her well-earned retirement. To mark this occasion, we are inviting you, past pupils, families, friends and staff to a gathering in the school hall at 3.35pm on Thursday, 14th February. We will send out a reminder in the new year but hope that you can make it.



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As we are entering the winter period, our minds cast back to earlier this year when we experienced some really heavy snowfall resulting in us closing the school for two days. In the event of a repeat occurrence, we will send out a ParentPay message to you, put an announcement on our website and inform local media. We will aim to do this as early as possible. It is not a decision that is taken lightly and we will only close if the conditions mean it is not safe to come to or be at school.

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Please remember to book your child's school meal by ticking Monday to Friday before making the payment. You have until midnight on Sunday, 6th January 2019 to book for the first week back. Many thanks.

Please could we also ask parents to check their ParentPay accounts and settle any outstanding money for theme days or trips. Once these have been paid, the item(s) will disappear from your account. Thank you for your support.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of you who came to St Mark's last week for the Christmas Concert, we hope you enjoyed it. We would also like to extend our appreciation to all of you who helped walk the children to and from the church for the concert and the rehearsal; without your help, we just couldn't do it!

Merry Christmas!

