

The School Day

Although the bell rings at 8.50am, school officially starts at 8.55am and ends at 3.35pm. Normally, children will line up on the playground in the morning and be dismissed from their classroom at the end of the day. However, on your child's first day, you may bring them to the school hall. They will be met by their new class teacher and taken to their classroom.

MCAS (My child at school)

We use the app MCAS as our method of payment, so it is essential that you register an account. It will allow you to book and pay for things such as school meals, Club Vale and trips. Look out for an activation link in the first few days of term and please note the link expires after 24hrs. This will enable you to set up an account on the app and desktop version. If you have any questions about this, please email office@arnovale.notts.sch.uk

School Meals

These are freshly prepared on site using local produce. The cost is £3 (current price, subject to change) per day. We ask that they are booked and paid for (on MCAS) by midnight on a Sunday. Children that require a school meal in the first few days will be given one whilst you set up your MCAS account. If your child would rather have a packed lunch, the contents should be healthy and must not include sugary food, fizzy drinks or nuts. If you think your child qualifies for free school meals, please contact the office.

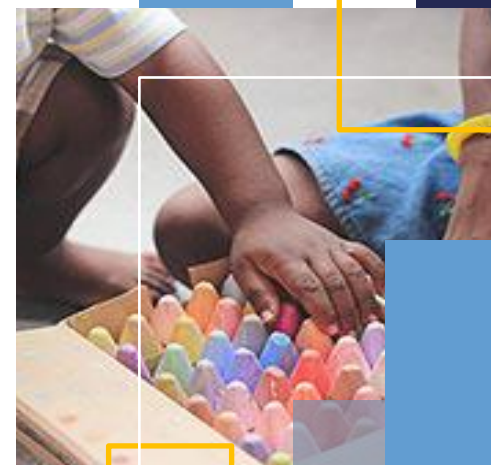
Welcome to Arno Vale Junior School

School rules:

- We are SAFE
- We are KIND
- We are READY

Our five school values are:

- Determination
- Respect
- Independence
- Curiosity
- Honesty





Club Vale

Breakfast

- 7.30-8.55am £5.50 (current price, subject to change, includes cereal/toast)

After school

- 3.35pm-5.30pm £10.00 (current price, subject to change, includes a light snack meal)

Bookings must be made by midnight on a Thursday for the following week.

If you require a place for your child in the first few days of term before your MCAS account is set up, please email office@arnovale.notts.sch.uk

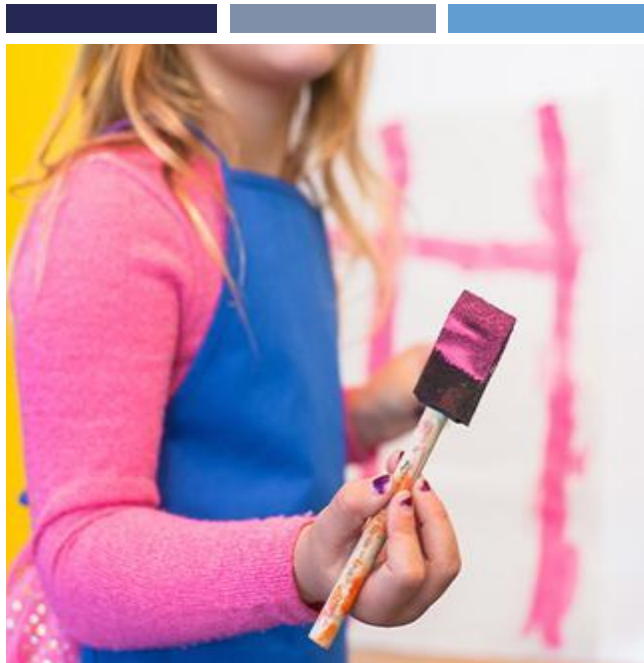
There will also be other extra-curricular clubs during the course of the year.

ClassDojo

ClassDojo is used as our main way of communicating what your child has been doing in school. You will also receive weekly bulletins with important information. This platform will also allow you to contact your child's class teacher by direct message if you need to. Dojo points are given to children to reward them for showing the school rules and values. Instructions for setting up your ClassDojo account will be sent out in September.

Times Tables Rock Stars

When your child starts, they will be given their log in details for Times Tables Rock Stars. This is an exciting online platform which allows children to learn and practice multiplication and division facts. We encourage children to play for 5 minutes per day whenever possible.



What to bring

We will provide stationery and all other equipment that your child will need in school. They should just bring in a water bottle, optional healthy snack (e.g. a piece of fruit) and a coat. Other items, such as toys or teddies, should not come into school. Due to limited space in cloakrooms, we recommend that your child has an Arno Vale book bag. These cost £5 and can be purchased from the school office.

School Uniform

- Light blue shirt or polo shirt
- Navy blue jumper or cardigan
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress
- Black shoes (not trainers)

Uniform branded with the school logo can be purchased from www.just-schoolwear.co.uk

However, uniform does not have to have the logo on.

PE Kit

This constitutes plimsolls/indoor trainers, a white T-shirt and navy or black shorts. For outside games, a black or navy tracksuit may also be worn and separate outdoor trainers are needed. A change of socks is also recommended. All PE kit should be named and carried in a PE bag with a hanging loop to put on your child's peg.



SEND

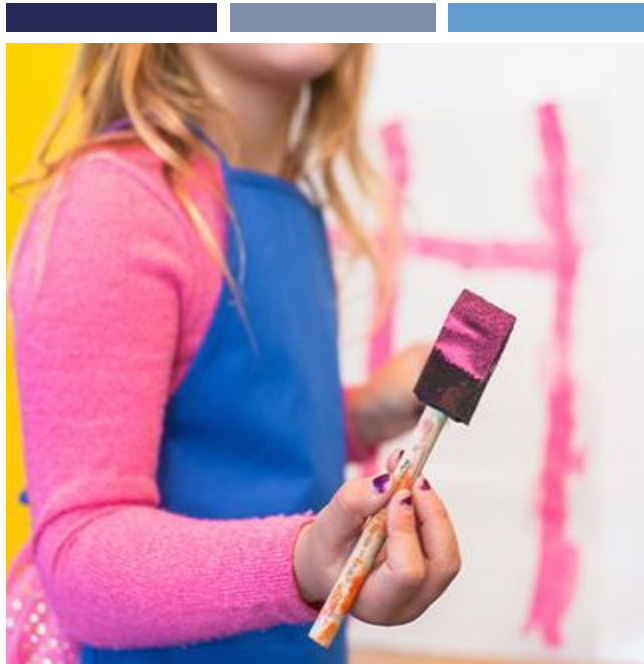
Our full SEND policy can be viewed on the school website. We aim to have an inclusive and understanding approach to children with additional needs, knowing that barriers to learning can be physical, emotional, or linked to communication or cognition. At Arno Vale, we follow a graduated response to supporting children overcome barriers to learning. Support is centered around the classroom, and when necessary further interventions may be offered, or external sources of support and advice called upon. If there are causes for concern, class teachers, parents and carers and the SENDCo in some cases, will work together to help the child overcome any challenges they are facing.

Medicines and Medical Tracker

If your child needs any medication in school, a medicine form must be completed. This can be downloaded from our website. Injuries, bumps and scrapes will be dealt with by one of our qualified first aiders and logged on a system called Medical Tracker. This generates email alerts to let you know the details of what has happened.

Curriculum

We aim to deliver a broad and balanced curriculum and celebrate the strengths and interests of every child. As part of our curriculum intent, children will have 2 hours of PE/Games and an hour of Spanish every week. In addition, they will have a daily practice lesson to revisit important content and skills.



Trips and residential

Whenever appropriate, children will be taken on school trips to enhance the curriculum. We also currently run two residential visits. Year 4 spend two nights at Dukes Barn, which is on the Chatsworth Estate, and Year 6 spend two nights at an activity centre in Derbyshire.

Behaviour Policy and Rewards

Our full behaviour policy can be viewed on the school website. In summary, we have adopted a positive approach to behaviour management. For behaviours that go against our three school rules, children may receive verbal warnings, yellow cards or red cards. However, restorative conversations and positive language are used to reinforce our expectations. Dojo points are given to reward good behaviour and every week we have a celebration assembly to highlight the individuals that have impressed the staff.

Issues/concerns

If you have any issues or concerns, please contact your child's class teacher by email or send them a direct message on ClassDojo. They will then arrange to speak to you either on the phone or in person. If it cannot be resolved at this stage, it may be referred to a member of the senior leadership team.