

# YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 1



**Welcome back!** We hope you all had a lovely summer and the children are excited about starting their new class, especially those who are beginning their final year with us! As always, there are lots of exciting opportunities and experiences in store for the children, and all of the staff at The Avenue are raring to go!

## Upcoming Dates for your Diary...

<b>W/C 10th or 17th September</b>	Bikeability for Y5 children
<b>11th September</b>	Carlton Information Meeting for parents of children going to Carlton
<b>13th September</b>	Roald Dahl day (dress up as your favourite Roald Dahl book character)
<b>21st—23rd September</b>	Carlton Visit
<b>24th September</b>	School photograph day
<b>3rd October</b>	Harvest Festival Assemblies: KS2 - 11am main hall (parents welcome).
<b>8th, 9th, 11th October</b>	Parental Consultation Evenings (details to follow).
<b>26th October</b>	Break up for half term. Halloween Disco.
<i>SEE SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR MORE UPCOMING EVENTS</i>	

## Creative Curriculum Topics

### World War One Centenary

- Marking the centenary of the signing of The Armistice and the end of WW1.
- Reasons why the war was fought and the resulting loss of lives.
- Taking part in a service of Remembrance in school and the local community (details to follow).
- Please ensure that the holiday homework relating to this topic is handed in by next Friday 14th September.

### Blood Heart

Studying the human body with a particular focus on the heart and lungs. Children will learn:

- ◆ The human anatomy, including organs and bones.
- ◆ **How to scientifically dissect a heart!**
- ◆ About the circulatory and respiratory systems.
- ◆ The effect of smoking on the body.
- ◆ The importance of a healthy diet and lifestyle.
- ◆ How cells appear under a microscope.
- ◆ How to measure and test heart rate.

**For health & safety reasons, whilst inside the school site, please can children push scooters and bikes. Thanks**

Packed lunches should be well balanced with a mixture of savoury and sweet. Packets of sweets or fizzy drinks should not be included as part of a packed lunch. As we have a number of children with peanut allergies, no packed lunches should contain nuts, peanut butter sandwiches or Nutella sandwiches.

## **Expectations Reminder:**

- ◆ Children are expected to read at home at least four times each week. Please take a few moments to sign your child's planner to inform their teacher that they have read. Children will receive a free book of their choice when they reach termly milestones!
- ◆ Weekly Maths and English homework will be issued on a Thursday and will be due in the following Tuesday.
- ◆ Each half term your child will receive homework linked to their curriculum topic. Please check the homework grids in their purple books for details and due dates.
- ◆ PE is on Thursdays, however kits should remain in school all week. Any items from the following list are permitted: a blue t shirt or polo; blue or black shorts; sports shoes; dark jogging bottoms; a plain hoody.
- ◆ Whole school target for weekly attendance is 95%.
- ◆ Children won't be eligible to win Star of the Week unless all expectations are met.

## CARLTON

Pupils from Year six and Year five will be attending Carlton Outdoor Education Centre Friday 21st—Sunday 23rd September. This will be a weekend filled with memorable experiences for the children, and a chance for them to challenge themselves and achieve success. **Those pupils who are not attending are expected to attend school, in uniform, as normal on the Friday.**

