

Avonmore Primary School Meet the Teacher 2023'24

TFoxFederation



Overview of today's meeting

- 2023-2024 priorities
- SLT & The Y1 Teaching Team
- New this year!
- School day, class timetable & curriculum
- Home learning expectations
- Behaviour Policy
- Children's Mental Health West London Zones
- Enrichment
- Supporting Avonmore
- Rebuild project update
- Key dates



2023-2024 School priorities

Keep building on the success of Ofsted- we are 'outstanding in all areas'

Develop approaches to Guided Reading in-line with the new Reading Framework.

Develop our offer around music and performance (more singing, instrumental lessons, choir performances and opportunities to share talents).

Build on our 'wellness offer' to support all children with self-regulation, friendships, emotional awareness and staying healthy.

Planning for the rebuild and decant.

Fundraising to keep Avonmore as fantastic as possible.



Working in partnership

Our Projects and Partnerships

This year we have a range of exciting projects and partnerships including:

- Continuing to work with West London Teaching School Alliance to train future generations of teachers
- Continuing to develop and lead courses for teachers at all stage of their careers
- Completing filming of on-line lessons for Oak Academy
- Taking part in projects with the English Hub, Maths Hub & Flexible Phonics
- · Continuing to strengthen links with Ogden Trust to further enhance our science provision













Avonmore's Leadership Team



| Head of School | Ms Wittleton | |
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| Deputy Heads of School | Mr Brown Ms Waddell | |
| Assistant Headteachers | Ms Mullins Ms Henman Mr Charlesworth | |
| EYFS Lead | Ms Driscoll | |

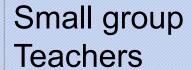
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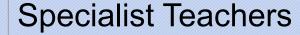


Year 1 teaching team



Teaching Assistants







Miss Brabben



Ms Miriam



Ms Djelloul



Ms Waddell



Ms Carroll

Ms Henman



Ms Parrish: Music



Ms Isaac: Spanish



Mr McCann: PE







The role of a class rep. will be to communicate within the year group they are representing and share these with Miss Wittleton.

The class rep will communicate with the class teacher and relevant members of the school gathering information or passing on information to parents and visa versa.

The class rep will attend 3 meetings (1 a term) in each academic year with Miss Wittleton.

This meeting will be with all year group class reps and is a chance for Miss Wittleton to inform parents of any information and a chance for Miss Wittleton to hear the voices of parents and students.

If you wish to become the class rep for your child's class please speak to the class teacher in September. The teachers will pass on this information to the office.

We will need 1 class rep. per class!

New starters coffee morning for parents and carers of any pupil who has just joined Avonmore.

Wednesday 27th September 8.45-9.15

Come along to our informal coffee morning to meet parents to meet our Deputy Head Anna Waddell, class reps, learn more about the school and ask any questions you might have. Tea, coffee and treats provided.



New for 2023/24 Pilot project with Mrs Wordsmith











SUPERCHARGE VOCABULARY AND READING:

Join the Fox Federation Pilot with Mrs Wordsmith's Word Tag® and Readiculous!



Dear Parents.

We are excited to invite you and your child to be part of an exclusive pilot program in collaboration with Mrs Wordsmith. Together, we aim to enhance your child's vocabulary and reading skills through the power of Word Tag* and Readiculous: engaging mobile games designed to make learning enjoyable and effective.

PILOT PROGRAM DETAILS

WHO:

Mrs Wordsmith combines proven learning science with Hollywood-quality animation and state-of-the-art game design to create premium educational resources for kids aged 3-12. Their products offer a learning experience that is motivating, fun, and effective.

WHAT:

As part of this pilot, we are offering free access to Word Tag* (ages 7-12) and Readiculous (ages 3-6), empowering your child's educational journey with immersive and engaging learning experiences.



New for 2023/24 New club offer

Avonmore sports competition clubs continue to be run by Mr McCann which give the children the opportunity to compete in team sports against other schools





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New for 2023/24 School lunches

We fund free school lunches for every child in our nursery class

The local authority funds school lunches for every child who is entitled to Free School meals

The London Mayor is funding every other pupil for one academic year.

We really encourage everyone to eat at school.



The School Day



School gates open at 8.35-8.45am and children arriving after 8.50 will be marked as 'late' as learning begins straight away. Please ensure your children are on time for school.

Children complete their early-morning learning at the start of the day. If they are late and miss it, they will have to stay in and complete it during first or lunch play.

All children must have a reusable, named water bottle. Children should take their lunch boxes into their classrooms.

Play times

Early break - 20 minutes

Mini break - 10 minutes

Lunch play - 40 minutes

End of day- 3.30 (2.15pm on Fridays)

Routines



- Bring reusable water bottle and reading book every day
- Home Learning reading / weekly maths / weekly phonics.
 Bookbags into school on Mondays and sent home on Wednesdays.
- Children come to school wearing PE kit on Tuesday and Thursday.

Before and after the school day



- Children can arrive for breakfast club at 7.50am
- Please sign up for after school clubs via the office or school gateway
- Tutoring will happen either before or after school
- Liaise with the office and class teacher if there is a change in adult collecting your child



Lunch and Snacks



In EYFS, a piece of fruit is given at morning break.

Please send your child to school with a small, <u>healthy</u> snack for first break.

No nuts or nut products please.



Reusable water bottles are to be brought into the classroom every day (labelled please). Single use water bottles will be recycled and not reused so please invest in a reusable bottle.

Please inform us if your child has any allergies or takes any medication.





Lunch Menu

| WEEK 2 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------------------------|--|--|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Soup and bread | Homemad | de soup, bread, fres | sh green salad and se | asonal fruits availab | le daily |
| Meat/ Fish Main Course | Vegetable Mexican Rice | Vegetable Lasagne | Chicken Teriyaki | Vegetarian Chili | Baked Salmon Fillet |
| Vegetarian Main Course | Coconut & Plantain Dhansak | | Tofu with Stir- fried Vegetables | with Brown Rice | Wholemeal Penne Pasta |
| Carbohydrates | | Egg Fried Rice | Brown Rice | Mixed Jasmin and Brown Rice | with Homemade Pesto |
| Vegetables | Sweetcorn | Carrots | Garden Peas | Green Beans | Broccoli |
| Salad | Kale & Bulgur Tabbouleh with yogurt dressing | Cold Soba Noodle Salad with a Ginger dressing | Cauliflower rice & lentil sprouts salad | Fattoush Salad | Special Salad of the Week |
| Dessert | Fruit Salad | Vegan Jelly | Fruit Salad | Cheddar Cheese & Crackers | Fruit Salad |

| WEEK 1 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| | Homemade soup, bread, fresh green salad and seasonal fruits available daily | | | | |
| Meat/ Fish Main Course | Jacket Potatoes Tuna Mayonnaise Baked Beans | Vegetarian Chilli | Roast Chicken | Cheesy Butternut Squash | Fish fingers |
| Vegetarian Main Course | Grated Cheddar Cheese | Falafels with an Avocado & Orange Mayo | Vegetarian Sausages | Pasta Bake | Fishless Fingers Courgette & Sweet Potato Fritters |
| Carbohydrates | | Fragrant Mediterranean Rice | New Baby Potatoes with Rosemary | | Chips |
| Vegetables | | Green Beans | Cabbage, Peas and Carrots | Peas & Carrots | Mushy Peas Baked Beans |
| Salad | Roasted vegetable and Couscous salad | Mango and Cucumber salad | Fennel and Tomato salad | Tomato, Burrata and Broad Bean salad | Special Salad of the Week |
| Dessert | Fruit Salad | Vegan Chocolate Cake | Fruit Salad | Banana Cake | Fruit Salad |

| WEEK 3 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------------------------|--|---|--|--|---|
| Soup and bread | Homemad | le soup, bread, fresh | green salad and se | easonal fruits availab | ole daily |
| Meat/ Fish Main Course | Roasted Tomato and Basil Pasta Bake | Chicken curry with Turmeric Rice | Vegetarian | Macaroni Cheese | Fish fingers |
| Vegetarian Main Course | Mixed Bean Stew | Allo Palak with Chickpeas | Meatballs in Tomato Sauce | Vegetable and Sweet Potato Tagine | Fishless Fingers Courgette & Sweet Potato Fritters |
| Carbohydrates | | | Roast Potatoes and Cauliflower | | Chips |
| Vegetables | Sweetcorn | Roasted Cauliflower | Green Beans | Broccoli | Mushy Peas Baked Beans |
| Salad | Green Lentil Salad with Avocado mayo | Mango & Rocket Salad | Avocado, Cucumber & Tomato Salad | Cherry tomatoes, basil and Mozzarella Salad | Special Salad of the Week |
| Dessert | Fruit Salad | Summer Fruit Crumble with Custard | Fruit Salad | Sweet Potato Cake with a pineapple & orange drizzle | Fruit Salad |

Seasonal Fruit Platter available every day

We always use halal meat. We are also a nut & pork free kitchen. We serve two sugar free desserts. Seconds are available and catered for.



Our timetable

| | | Y1 Tir | netable - Autumn 1 | | |
|-------------|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8.45- 8:55 | Handwriting | Handwriting | Handwriting | Handwriting | Handwriting |
| 8:55 -9.30 | Phonics | Phonics | Phonics | Music Assembly 1:1/paired reading | Phonics |
| 9.30-10.30 | English | English | English | PE | English |
| | | | | 1:1/paired reading | |
| 10.30-10.45 | | | Break | | |
| 10.45-11.50 | Maths | Maths | Maths | 10:50-11:20 Music | Maths |
| | | | ĺ | Mastering Number | |
| 1.50-12.00 | | | Break | | |
| 12.00-12.30 | Mastering Number ×2 sessions | Mastering Number x1 session & same day catch up story/numberblocks etc | KS1 Assembly Maths same day catch up | Phonics | Mastering Number x1 session & same day catch up |
| 12.30-13.20 | | | Lunch | | |
| 13.20- 2.35 | PF | Story time/ 1:1 Reading PE | Spanish - HI 13:20-13:50 | Story time/ 1:1 Reading) Maths | 1:30-2.15 Whole school assembly |
| | RE | | PSHE | Maths catch up Sp2 and choosing | |
| | Free writing books | | | | |
| 14.25-15.30 | History/Geography - A2 Choosing - Free writing | Art/DT-) | Science- Free writing books | Computing | |



What we are learning this term

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| | Autumn 1 | Knowledge Organiser |
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| Reading | Banded Books and Class readers | N/A |
| English | Traditional Tales — Magic Porridge Pot and Three Billy Goats Gruff. | N/A |
| Maths | Previous Reception Experiences, Counting within 100, Comparison of Quantities and Part-Whole Relationships, Numbers 0-5. | <u>Here</u> |
| Science | Plants and Seasons (including Forest School) | Here |

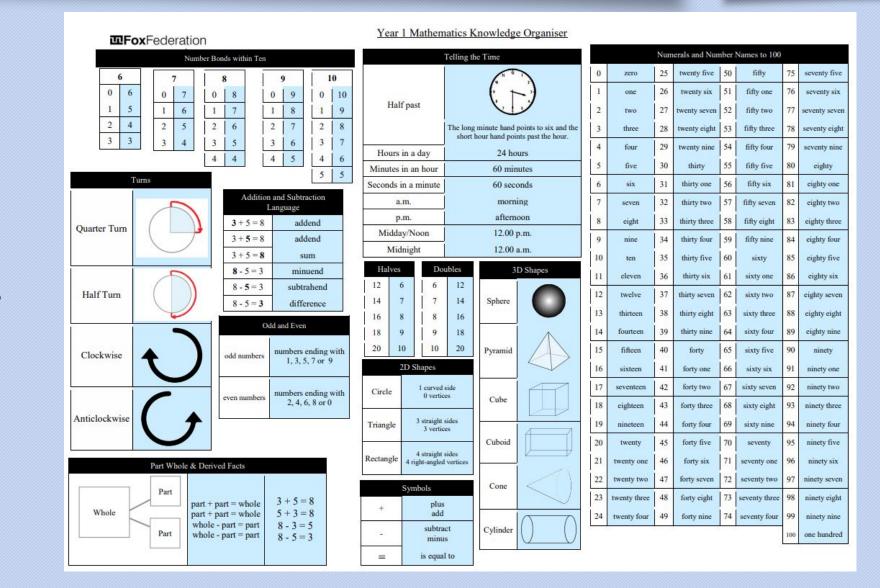
| P.S.H.E | Rules and responsibility, Emotions and Feelings, Consent and Boundries, Anti-racism. | N/A |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Humanities (Geography) | Spatial Sense | <u>Here</u> |
| RE | Food Festivals and Thanking — How does food help us show we care? Journeys (Nativity focus) — Why is the end of a journey important? | N/A <u>Here</u> |
| Computing | E-Safety, Grouping and Sorting, Pictograms. | N/A |
| Art/DT | Art - Drawing DT - Food Technology | Here Here |

Maths



Knowledge Organisers

- Facts that need to be learnt by the <u>end</u> of the year
- The concepts will be taught throughout the year
- All year groups will be available on the school website
- Check that your child also knows all facts within previous year groups



Maths websites to support your child at home



- » http://mathsathome.lgfl.org.uk/eyfs.html https://www.sumdog.com/user/sign_in
- » www.j2e.com/j2blast (KS2) (use child's log in)
- » Busy things (EYFS, KS1 & KS2)

History & Science knowledge organiser example



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Knowledge Organiser: Plants

In this unit we will:

The structure and life cycle of plants

- identify & describe functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves, flowers
- explore the requirements of plants for life and growth and how they vary from plant to plant
- investigate the way in which water is transported within plants
- explore the role of flowers in a flowering plant's life cycle, including pollination, seed formation and dispersal

Fun plant facts

- •The first type of aspirin came from the tree bark of a willow tree.
- •85% of plant life is found in the ocean.

Fields of plant science/work

- The Amazon rainforest produces half the world's oxygen supply.
- Peaches, Pears, strawberries, and apples are members of the rose family.
- Apple, potatoes & onions have the same taste, eat them with your nose
- Strawberry is the only fruit that bears its seeds on the outside.
- Around 2000 different types of plants are used by humans to make food.
- •The California redwood are the tallest & largest living organism in the

Horticulture: the art or practice of garden cultivation and management.

The Magic school bus (all episodes available on Netflix, some on YouTube):

- S1, E7 Meet the rot squad
- S1, E11. Goes to seed.
- S3, E10 Gets planted
- S3, E11. In the rainforest

Sid the science kids

- S1, E6 My mushy banana
- S1, E28 The dirt on dirt
- S1. E29 Don't forget the leaves
- S2, E25 Seed the science kid

David Attenborough: The private life of

BBC - 27 clips

Botany: the scientific study of the physiology, structure, genetics, ecology, distribution, classification, and economic importance of plants

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy66fg8/r esources/1

What are the parts of plants www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpxnyrd/articl es/z3wpsbk

What is the lifecycle of a flowering plant www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpxnyrd/articl es/z2vdjxs

To play and explore

BBC

What is a plant?

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy66fq8/articles/zcinp39 What does a plant need to live?

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zv66fg8/articles/zcmtk2p Why are bees attracted to plants?

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy66fg8/articles/zx4ktv4 What are the requirements for plant growth?

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy66fg8/articles/z98jpbk Why are plants important?

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zv66fg8/articles/zss9ms

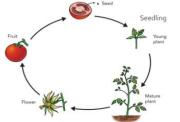
What is fertiliser?

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy66fq8/articles/z86ktv4

www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/revision/Science/livin g/plants.html

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Life cycle of a tomato plant



Knowledge Organiser: Plants

Parts of a Plant Key vocabulary



Flower - The colorful part

Stem - The long green part that holds up the flower.

Leaf - The green protective part of the plant.

Roots - The part that goes into the ground to soak up

Spring

Summer







Autumn







Winter



Key vocabulary

Season - There are four seasons in the year, each one is different and changes happen during each

Weather - The way the air and the atmosphere feels. It includes the temperature, strength of the wind, and if it is raining, hailing, snowing, sleeting, foggy, sunny or cloudy.

Plant - A living thing that uses sunlight to make their own food. Most plants have leaves, stems. roots and either flowers or cones.

Predict - Trying to use what we know to tell what will happen in the future.

oak tree

Recommended Reading list



Year 1 Recommended Reading List

Typically, children in year 1 will be reading phonics books. Below are some books that they might be able to read with support or could be read to them. Lots of this books can be found as audio-books or on YouTube.

Recommended fiction books

- · 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' by David Conway
- 'The Croc and the Bird' by Alexis Deacon
- 'Funny Bones' Janet & Allan Ahlberg
- · 'The Great Big Book of Feelings' by Mary Hoffman
- · The Velveteen Rabbit' by Margery Williams
- 'The Twelve Dancing Princesses' there are multiple versions of this story.
- 'At the Beach' Roland Harvey

Recommended non-fiction books

- 'Little people big dreams' Series
- · Ready Steady Mo' by Mo Farah
- 'Growing frogs' by Vivian French
- 'Big blue whale' by Nicola Davies
- 'Caterpillar Butterfly' by Vivian French
- · 'One Tiny Turtle' by Nicola Davies
- Ice Bear' by Nicola Davies

Recommended poetry books

- o Hey Little Bug Poems for Little Creatures' James Carter
- o 'Zim Zam Zoom' James Carter
- o 'A First Book of Nature' Nicola Davies
- o The Puffin Book of Nursery Rhymes Raymond Brigg
- o Quentin Blake's Nursery Rhyme Book
- o 'A great Big Cuddle' Michael Rosen and Chris Riddell



Reading record tasks



Questions to ask your child about a book:

Can you re-tell the story in your own words?

What did you think of the book? What did you like/not like? Why?

What was your favourite part? Why?

What do you think will happen after the story?

What can you see on the front cover? What do you think might happen in this book?

Do you think the book is fiction or non-fiction? Why?

What to comment in the reading record:

- Any sounds or words your child found particularly challenging.
- Their thoughts and opinions on the text.
- As the year progresses they can write their own comments.

Home learning expectations



Maths

- Set weekly
- Set to consolidate learning
- Should take around 10-15 minutes to complete
- To be completed weekly
- Class teacher will track

Phonics:

- Set weekly
- Set to consolidate sounds learnt each week.

Reading

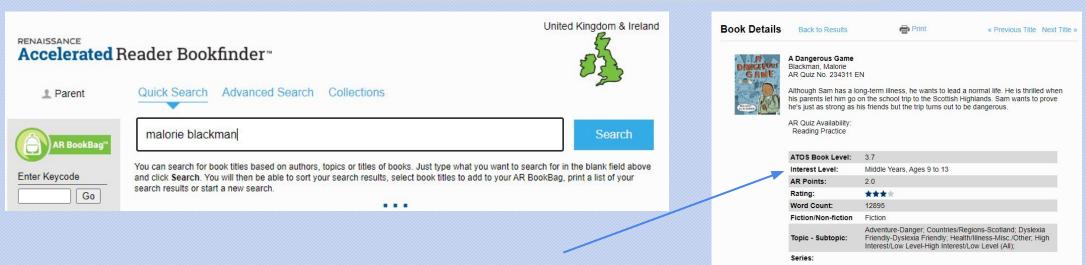
- Daily reading for 10 minutes
- Children complete Reading Record entry every day.
- Reading Eggs

Text Selection

Below are two important links that we thought it would be helpful to share with you. They support parents/carers with text selection and can give recommendations for reading age.

AR Bookfinder

How We Rate and Review: Books | Common Sense Media



LY relates to lower years, MY middle years, MY+ and UY upper years. These relate to the following chronological ages:

Lower Years (LY) = ages 5-8

Middle Years (MY) = ages 9-13

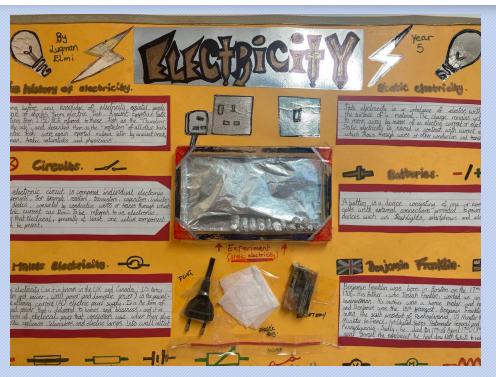
Middle Years+ (MY+) = ages 12 and above

Upper Years (UY) = age 14 and above



Take home tasks

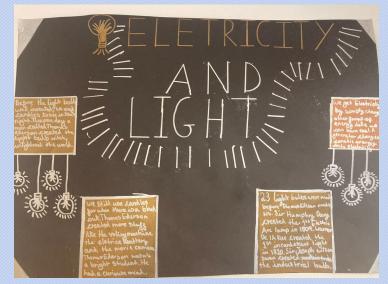




Coming up:

- International Day- presenting on their culture or one they have researched
- Black History Month
- After half term WW2 week

These link to our learning in school and we love celebrating the children's work





Behaviour policy: Our Rules and Values



All children are expected to show our values

Collaboration

Curiosity

Inclusion

Resilience

Respect

Kindness



Supporting Children's Behaviour



We expect the highest standards of behavior at Avonmore to enable all children to feel safe and reach their potential.

At Avonmore, our behaviour policy has **been informed by much research** that supports the idea that children respond better to an approach focused on self-reflection and relationships.

We support children when they do not meet our behaviour expectations by scaffolding some reflection time in which an adult will ask them to think about who their actions are having a negative impact on and how they can make the situation better. We also prompt children to think about what they could do differently next time and reinforce a culture that 'mistakes are OK, as long as we learn from them'.



Supporting Children's Behaviour



We will communicate with parents and carers at the end of the school day if their child has had a difficult day with their behavior.

We use lots of reward systems such as star of the week, special mentions in assembly and house points.

| Positive and nurturing relationships | Predictable routines | Discussing and teaching pro-social behaviour | Discussing and teaching values and rules |
|---|--|--|--|
| A calm and organised learning environment | Teaching regulation strategies (e.g mindfulness, movement & breathing) | Stars of the week | Whole class incentives and rewards |

West London Zone



A full time link worker in school - Lucy

Cohort was identified at the start of last year and will be on the 2nd year cycle.





Enrichment at Avonmore



Careers Week







Forest School



Trips



Anti-Racism work





Productions





Enrichment at Avonmore

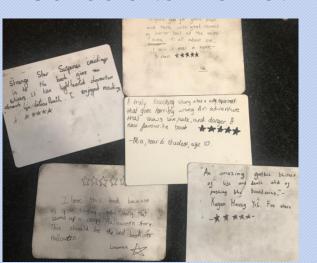


Imagine a Story Writing Project

Y4 Swimming

Reading Gladiators

Schools-to-Market





School trips





Chelsea Football Club

Mentoring with St James

Bute House Saturday School

Latymer Debate Programme

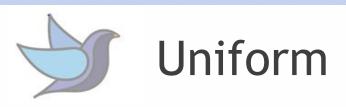




General Reminders



- Up to date email address Newsletter
- Uniform is bought through 'Stephensons', not the office
- Any medical needs please let the office know
- Photo permissions can be changed at the office at any time
- Please do call if your child is off due to sickness. We require evidence of sickness for more than 3 consecutive days.
- Holidays during term time are not authorised and may lead to fines from H&F Local Authority





The correct uniform must be worn daily with suitable, all-black school shoes.

The correct P.E. uniform must be worn to school on Tuesday and Thurday.

P.E kit:

- Avonmore white PE t-shirt,
- plain black shorts/ tracksuit bottoms,
- Avonmore black PE jacket
- suitable trainers

Everything must be clearly labelled.



Home-school communication



- Parent consultations Last week of this half term 16th and 17th October
- 2 reports annually (mid-year and end of year)
- Support given through Parent Workshops in Autumn Term
- Weekly newsletters
- School website
- Class teacher email address (y1@avonmoreprimary.co.uk)
- Tapestry



E-safety reminder







What is 'the Avonmore offer'?

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At Avonmore we provide the children with experiences that go well beyond the National Curriculum to make sure that the children have a wide range of opportunities, love school and leave ready for secondary school feeling confident and proud of their achievements.

Some of the additional opportunities we provide include:

- Expert specialist teachers for non-core subjects, like Mr McCann for PE, Miss Isaac for Spanish & Miss Paris for music
- High adult to child ratios in all our classes to support excellent outcomes for all our pupils
- Free lunches for every Nursery Child (this is not provided by the Mayor of London)
- Free places for every child in Nursery to ensure they have the best possible start to their schooling journey and to support parents
- Affordable after school provision
- Links with outside agencies and teams to support Mental Health and Wellbeing of our pupils including West London Zones, MIND and Art Therapy
- A Federation Special Needs Expert Teacher to support our class teachers and teaching assistants in supporting our pupils with special needs
- Whole class instrumental lessons for every pupil
- Fantastic trips, visitors and workshops (including our fantastic BHM programme, our annual Jazz concert, Author and Athlete visits...etc)
- Subsidised trips and Y5 & Y6 school journey so every pupil can attend

This all costs money and in the current economic climate it is becoming increasing challenging to maintain this offer BUT WE MUST!



How you can support us in keeping 'the Avonmore offer'

- Easy Fundraising Cash Back
- If you can afford to make a regular payment of any size set up a direct debit
- Make a donation through parent pay at any time
- Volunteer your time to support ASA (Avonmore School Association) to help us run more events
- Join our Federation Fundraising events
- Attend our whole school events



Support Avonmore while you shop

Easy Fundraising Cash Back

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising free donations for Avonmore School Association with easyfundraising?

There are over 7,000 brands on board ready to make a donation - including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S - and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

All you need to do is:

- 1. Go to https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/avonmore-school-association/?utm_campaign=raise-more and join for free.
- 2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
- 3. After you've checked out, the brand will make a donation to Avonmore School Association at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Avonmore School Association will be really grateful for your donations.





Support Avonmore by volunteering

Can you offer us...

Your time...

- Speak at careers week
- Become a volunteer reader
- Be a class representative
- Help us set up for a whole school event

Your skill or expertise...

- Film class assemblies or productions
- Take professional photos
- Play musical instrument for a class

A donation from your workplace...

- Gifts for raffles or prizes
- Easy fundraising link shared with colleagues

Do you have a skill or talent that you could share with our school community?



Rebuild Project News

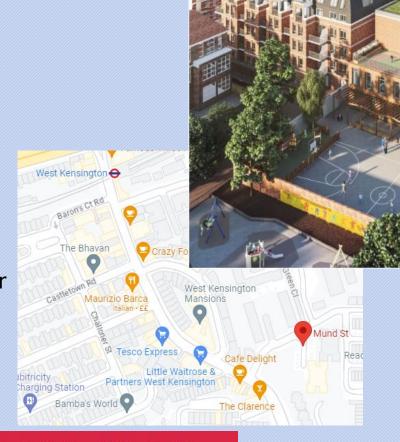
We are due to move into our decant site at the end of the Summer term 2024.

The decant site is at Mund Street.

The Mund Street site is being refreshed and set up as a primary school (it was previously a secondary school).

Miss Wittleton has been heavily involved in the designs for both the new school and the decant site.

Transition arrangements will be developed and share closer to the move date.



Find more details on the Hammersmith and Fulham website:

Home > Children and young people > Schools and colleges > Primary schools that are fit for the future



Key Autumn Term Dates

Parent Workshops:

New Parents Welcome Coffee Morning: Wednesday 27th September 8.45-9.15

Parents' evenings: 16th and 17th October 2023

Black History Month celebration: October 2023

Secondary Transition Deadline (older siblings): 31st October 2023



We are really looking forward to the upcoming year with your child!

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to ask.