



The Avenue Primary School Newsletter

Key Dates

02.03.26 – Back to school
05.03.26 – World Book Day
19.03.26 – Drop in with Mr Hunter
01.04.26 – SHINE Assembly – 2.15pm
02.04.26 – Easter Egg Comp/Break up
20.04.26 – Back to school
24.04.26 – Drop in with Mr Hunter
11-14.05.26 – Y6 SATs Week
19.05.26 – Drop in with Mr Hunter
22.05.26 – Break up
01.06.26 – Back to school
20.06.26 – Festival on the Field–12-4pm
16.07.26 – Break up for summer
01.09.26 – PD Day
02.09.26 – New school year begins

Welcome to our February newsletter—the month that's short on days but never short on activity! As we edge closer to spring (slowly... very slowly), school life is as busy, bright, and bustling as ever.

Congratulations Girls!

Huge congratulations to our Year 5/6 girls' team, who won the Tees Valley competition and went on to represent the region at the Beacon of Light in Sunderland! The team had an unforgettable experience, travelling on the official Boro bus and proudly wearing replica Middlesbrough kits as they showcased their fantastic teamwork and determination. We are incredibly proud of everything you have achieved—well done, girls!



Attendance



Our current whole-school attendance stands at 96.1%. We know that even small improvements make a big difference to pupils' learning, progress, and wellbeing. We kindly ask for your continued support in ensuring that children attend school every day, unless they are genuinely unwell. Strong daily attendance helps every child to achieve their best, and we truly appreciate your partnership in making this possible.

Catch up with Mr Hunter

You know how much feedback helps us in school to improve things further. I am keen to hear from you. The next one is on 19th March from 8.40 until 9.10am. I hope you take this opportunity to come and meet with us to talk about anything school related.



World Book Day

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. Throughout the day, children will take part in a range of book-themed activities designed to inspire a love of reading. We invite everyone to come to in pyjamas "ready-to-read". We can't wait to enjoy a wonderful day of stories, creativity, and imagination together!

Festival on the Field

Our festival returns, hopefully bigger and better than ever! The date you all need to get in your diaries is Saturday 20th June 2026 – 12 until 4pm. If you can help, would like to run a stall or would like to sponsor the event, please get in touch.



OPAL Play – Can You Help?

We would be very grateful for any OPAL donations of dress-up items to help us prepare for the opening of our new stage zone. These don't need to be full costumes—jackets, hats, scarves, accessories, and mix-and-match clothing are all perfect for encouraging imaginative play. If you have any items at home that are no longer needed, we'd love to give them a new life at school. Thank you for your support!

Children's Mental Health Week

This month, we proudly took part in Children's Mental Health Week, reinforcing our commitment to developing the whole child. Pupils enjoyed a non-uniform day, our Mental Health Ambassadors toured the school teaching simple wellbeing techniques, and classes engaged in a range of activities focused on feelings, resilience, and self-care. We were also delighted to welcome Teesside Mind, who delivered an uplifting assembly to help children understand how to look after their mental health. Experiences like these strengthen our ongoing work to ensure every child feels supported, confident, and ready to thrive.



Thank you for your continued support. If you want to raise anything with us in school, we are always here to listen. Contact us on 01642 318510 or

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