



# The Avenue Primary School Newsletter

## Key Dates

01.06.26 – Back to school  
11.06.26 – Y1-3 OPAL Stay & Play–9.45-11  
11.06.26 – Y4-6 OPAL Stay & Play–2-3.15  
20.06.26 – Festival on the Field–12-4pm  
07.07.26 – SHINE Assembly  
09.07.26 – R-Y2 Sports Day 9.30-10.30  
09.07.26 – Y3-Y5 Sports Day 1.30-2.30  
14.07.26 – Meet the Teacher  
14.07.26 – Open Afternoon – 3.15-4.15  
16.07.26 – Break up for summer  
01.09.26 – PD Day  
02.09.26 – New school year begins  
Check your child's Dojo for more dates!

May has been nothing short of buzzing—with brilliant learning, busy classrooms, and plenty of moments to make us smile! From big learning moments to small everyday wins, we learn, we grow, we **SHINE** together.

## Learning, Growing and Shining Every Day

Our Nursery children celebrated World Bee Day with enthusiasm, welcoming special visitors who shared how they care for bees, while in Reception, the delicious story Oliver's Vegetables inspired plenty of curiosity about healthy foods. Year 1 have been ruling their classrooms as they explore kings and queens, and Year 2 have stepped back in time to uncover the drama of the Great Fire of London. In Key Stage 2, Year 3 have been investigating forces



through hands-on science, Year 4 have been delving into the fascinating digestive system, and Year 5 have been discovering the wonders of seed dispersal. Meanwhile, our brilliant Year 6 pupils have shown resilience and determination as they completed their SATs, celebrating their hard work with a well-earned ice cream, alongside memorable visits to London and Stewart Park—what a fantastic week of learning and achievement!

## Exploring, Experiencing, Shining

At The Avenue, learning truly extends beyond the classroom walls, bringing experiences to life in meaningful and memorable ways. Our Reception and Nursery families have enjoyed welcoming stay-and-play sessions, strengthening partnerships and sharing learning together, while Year 3 have developed water confidence and key skills through their swimming sessions. Our Year 6 pupils immersed themselves in history and culture by touring London and visiting famous landmarks, making their learning tangible and unforgettable. We were also proud to welcome Pupil Ambassadors from another school, who came to see our values and learning in action—an opportunity for our children to showcase their pride and leadership. These rich experiences ensure that learning at The Avenue is vibrant, connected, and inspiring at every turn.



## Here to Learn, Here to Grow

Regular attendance and punctuality make a huge difference to children's learning, confidence and friendships. Being in school every day—and arriving on time—helps children settle, build routines and make the most of every learning opportunity. Our current attendance sits at **95.7%**, which is down a little. We kindly remind families that holidays should not be taken during term time, as even short absences can significantly disrupt learning. By working together to prioritise attendance, we ensure every child has the best chance to learn, grow and shine.

## Festival on the Field

Our Festival on the Field will take place on Saturday 20th June from 12–4pm, tickets are on sale on Arbor. We would be very grateful for any raffle prizes or offers of support to help make the event a great success. If anyone is interested in, or knows anyone who would be interested in having a stall on the day, please let me know—we'd love to involve as many members of our community as possible. Raffle tickets are available on Arbor – you've got to be in it to win it!



## OPAL Play



Our OPAL play provision continues to be a highlight of the day, with children enjoying rich, hands-on experiences that spark creativity, teamwork and imagination. From constructing worlds in the small world area to digging, building and exploring in the sand pit, the children are fully immersed in purposeful play. To keep this provision fresh and engaging, we are always grateful for donations—small world figures, vehicles, containers, and sand pit resources are particularly welcome. If you have any items you no longer need at home, we would love to give them a new lease of life in our outdoor learning spaces!

**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 [office@theavenue.lingfieldtrust.org.uk](mailto:office@theavenue.lingfieldtrust.org.uk).**