



Y6

Classroom News

Avondale
Primary School



Meet Miss Johnson



I hope you have all had a lovely summer and enjoyed some family time! I am Miss Johnson and will be your child's teacher for their final year at Avondale. I am really excited about working with your child over the next year and I will do my very best to make sure they enjoy their time in Year 6 and are ready for the next chapter of their school journey in high school. A little bit about me, I am a mum of two children, who keep me very busy when I'm not at school. I love to swim, read and enjoy watching football—my team is Rovers! I have a huge passion for motorbikes and believe it or not, I used to ride one! I can't wait to get to know you all.

Dates for your Diary

17 September	Flu vaccinations
24 September	Rock Kidz
2 October	Return Cauliflower Cards
8 October	School Photos
8 October	Class 6C assembly
14 October	Harvest Assembly
15 October	Opening Morning 9:30am and 11:00am
22 October	Parents Evening
23 October	School closes for half term break (re-opens Monday 2 nd November)

Friendly Reminders

Dinner money is to be paid via the online system please.

PE – Wednesday. For the next 4 weeks we will be swimming (9th–30th Sep). Please ensure your child has their full swimming kit/PE kit in school (black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, white t-shirt) A bobble will be needed for long hair, (as well as a hat for swimming) and jewellery should be removed before coming to school.

Homework will be given on Fridays. It will consist of spellings to learn (paper and Spelling Shed), reading 5x per week and TT Rockstars. Spelling tests will take place on Friday and reading books will be collected on a Monday. Please ensure that your child is reading 5x per week and that their book is signed weekly by an adult.





What we are studying

Maths

In our maths lessons, we will begin the year by exploring the place value of numbers up to 10 million including ordering, comparing and rounding. In addition to this, we will dedicate some of our learning time towards refining our arithmetic skills. Any further practice of times tables at home will be of great benefit for your child—they really are integral to our work in Year 6.

English

During our English this term, we will be identifying the key features of a warning story and then creating our own. Later in the term, we will study non-chronological reports and produce one based on Victorian Darwen. In addition to this, we will continue to develop our grammar and spelling skills. Our class novel is 'Far From Home' by Berlie Doherty. Reading is always a priority at Avondale. Your child will be expected to read 5x per week and by now, they should be doing this independently, filling in their own reading records with when and how much they have read. We will keep an eye on these on a weekly basis and would ask that you sign their reading record at the end of the week to show you are aware that they are reading at home.

Topic

This term, our theme is based around Victorian Darwen and this will build on the knowledge that the children acquired in Year 5. In science, we will focus our learning on electricity and will have a go at building our own circuits. In Computing, we will be looking at the importance of staying safe online. As part of our art lessons, we will be exploring the work of Victorian artist William Morris.



Your child is in their final year at Avondale and whether you are a parent experiencing this milestone for the first time or whether you have had older children who have left us previously, we know that this year can bring a whole host of emotions for both you and your child. Our job as year 6 teachers is to prepare the children for the next step in education, allowing them to achieve their potential by instilling the values of hard work and resilience and helping them to enjoy their last year in primary education creating memories that will last forever.

We can only do this with your support so please, if we don't know you already, come and say hello. If you think there is something about your child we should know, then please share it with us so that we can work together for the benefit of your son/daughter. You can always catch us at the start/end of the day alternatively you can make an appointment to see us via the office, write a note, send an email or we can give you a ring when we are available.

We look forward to working with you and your family this year.