# **Weekly Newsletter**

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## THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

## DOING OUR BEST

The Avon Valley Way is what defines us as a school. It is how we do things, and it epitomises the high expectations and high standards that we have throughout the school.

Every student in our school achieves at a different level; that is not unusual. However, what we do expect from ALL of our students is that they do their best in all that they do. At times success may not come immediately, and it may take many attempts to get something right but we carry on persevering until we get there. That is doing our best.

#### TUTOR THEME OF THE WEEK

#### ANTI-SEMITISM AND HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

At Avon Valley we promote inclusivity, and racism is not tolerated. This weeks focus looks to educate our students on what anti-semitism is and why it must be stopped.

We will also be sharing with students about the upcoming Holocaust Memorial Day. This international day on 27 January remembers the six million Jews murdered during the Holocaust, alongside the millions of other people killed under Nazi persecution of other groups; and during more recent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.

#### **UNIFORM CHECK**

On Monday 16th January we will be carrying out uniform checks during Tutor time.

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform and are not wearing jewellrey, make-up or false nails, as per our policy, which you can find <u>here</u>.

#### MESSAGE FROM MIKE CLANCY ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER

Welcome back to school; we hope you feel refreshed following the festive season. The new year offers an opportunity for a fresh start and to build on the challenge of maintaining the good work we achieved last year.



I am pleased to share that as a school, our attendance figures are up on the same period as last year, which is a huge positive. The impact of this improved attendance will be felt long term, with students accessing more high quality lessons, leading to a greater consistent school experience and improved exam results.

At the end of last term, we awarded over 850 certificates to students celebrating their attendance efforts. These certificates will be invaluable for students when they attend their interviews to secure their post 16 destinations.

This terms attendance focus follows a football themed 'Champions League' and 'Europa League' format. The top four winning Tutor groups will go through to the 'Champions league'.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Thu 19th Jan - Year 11 Progress Evening Fri 20th - Sun 22nd - Performing Arts Trip London 26th Jan - Year 11 Drama trip - Noughts & Crosses 2nd Feb - Year 10 Progress Evening 16th Feb - Year 8 Progress Evening

### **E-SCOOTERS**

Please see the attached important information from the police about the use of e-scooters.

