Weekly Newsletter

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THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

GETTING INVOLVED

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.

There are so many things at school to get involved in, whether you are interested in sport, technical theatre, hair and beauty or chess there are lots of lunch time and after school clubs you can get involved in.

TUTOR THEME OF THE WEEK

REFLECTION WEEK

Altruism is a willingness to do things that bring advantages to others, without wanting anything in return; it is the selfless concern for the wellbeing of others.

Our assemblies this week will be delivered by Rugby Youth for Christ who will focus on sharing this theme with our students.

UPCOMING SPORTING FIXTURES

Mon 17th October	Year 7/8/9 Girls Netball Training Year 7 Boys Football Training Year 9 Boys Football vs Harris (H) Year 10 Boys Football vs Harris (H)
Tue 18th October	Year 10/11 Girls Netball Training Year 8 Football vs Harris (H)
Wed 19th October	Year 7 Boys Football vs Harris (A)
Thur 20th October	Year 7/8 Trampolining

MESSAGE FROM DARREN WALDEN - DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

As we draw to the end of this first half term of the academic year, it is an important time to reflect on our aims and achievements and to consider where we may be able to make subtle, but important, positive changes.



As I mentioned a number of weeks ago, small changes can make a huge overall difference; getting to school on time, having the correct equipment and respecting those around you will all have a positive impact.

Over the past few weeks I have had a number of conversations with our year 11 students regarding their future destinations at college, sixth form or apprenticeships next year. Although many of them have already made their choices, some are either undecided or realise that they may need to make some positive changes to get to the post-16 destination of their dreams.

It is never too late to make those minor positive changes to achieve your dreams and goals. Striving to be the best that you can be in all of your lessons is of course important, but being kind, honest and respectful to others is important as well.

Over the coming weeks we will be awarding double house points to the core value that aligns to the Avon Valley Way. This means that next week double house points will be awarded for representing the school in sporting fixtures, attending revision sessions and taking part in extra-curriculur activities. I hope that all of our students rise to the challenge to 'get involved'.



AVON VALLEY SCHOOL BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Introducing October Trevor McDonald Edition 3

PROFESSION

BORN

Journalist and Broadcaster

1938, San Fernando, Trinidad & Tobago

ACHIEVEMENT

Best known for his career as a news presenter on ITV News.

Of Caribbean origin, Trevor, born George McDonald, began his career as a print journalist in Trinidad and made his first appearance as a radio and television presenter in the UK in 1969. More than forty five years later, Trevor McDonald is one of the most well-respected TV presenters on British television, arguably most well-known for his long tenure as the host of ITV's flagship news and current affairs broadcasts, which included almost ten years anchoring the News at Ten and Tonight with Trevor McDonald.

Known for his sensitive and insightful reporting Trevor McDonald has become one of the nations most beloved TV presenters. His achievements as one of the first and most successful black radio and television presenters in the country has inspired countless others whilst his accessible yet in depth style have informed and educated audiences for several generations. As well as working as a current affairs broadcaster Trevor McDonald has also acted as a talk show host and entertainment TV presenter, hosting his own series Trevor McDonald Meets... which launched in 1998.

During his time as a TV presenter and journalist Trevor McDonald has interviewed some of the biggest names in show business, the most influential names in industry and the most powerful people in politics. He received a knighthood in 1999 and had previously been awarded and OBE in the 1992 News Year's Honours List.



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WORK WITH AMAZON

To celebrate Black History Month 2022, Amazon's Alexa has worked with Sir Trevor McDonald to share empowering stories from black history.

In addition to asking Alexa to "Tell me about black British history" users can test their knowledge of black history by asking "Alexa, quiz me on black history". Users can also learn an interesting fact about black history by asking "Alexa, what's my fact of the day".

