

Avanti Fields Newsletter March 2021

A Message from Ms Taplin

Welcome to the Spring edition of our Newsletter.

This has been another strange term with only a few weeks in school for the majority. Despite this you will see from our newsletter that we have had a busy, active and eventful half term and our students have grasped every opportunity presented to them.

Now we are back in the building we are about to start the last full term at Bruce Street; strange to think that we only have a few weeks left in this lovely old building. Many people have said to me that they will be sad to leave, but you can see from the most recent photos that our new site will be a spectacular new home for the Avanti Fields family





Avanti Fields New Site making great progress

If you take stroll up to the top of Thurmaston Lane you can see our magnificent building rapidly taking shape.

I was lucky enough to have site tour this week and the sense of scale and light is really evident as you walk around the school. As you approach the building, the exterior cladding sits beautifully set off by a stunning Oak tree that stands at what will be the entrance gate.

Inside, the rooms are taking shape with teaching walls in place, plastering of corridors, fitting out of classrooms. One of the most stunning parts of building will be the central atrium which will house the dining hall. Lit by a natural light, looking up to the first floor we will be able to see the Worship hall on one side and the LRC the other. This will be the heart of the building, a space where the school community will all visit and fittingly reflects the pillars of the school, bringing together Educational Excellence Character Formation and Spiritual Insight.

It is a wonderful building and one that will help us enrich the learning and growth of our students in years to come.

Safeguarding



NSPCC

This term has seen many challenges for our students and their families. We started the term still in lockdown and have since been delighted to welcome students back into the building. We know that lockdown and the transition back into school was challenging for families and our community as a whole.

At Avanti Fields, we recognise the contribution we can make to support our pupils. Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is our priority. You can find our contact details on the website here:

https://avanti.org.uk/avantifields/about/safeguarding/ Please feel free to contact us if you have any concerns or would like any support.

You can also access support from these agencies.

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Somewhere to turn when someone dies





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During the week 1st March – 5th March it was National Career's week. All students were able to attend a virtual STEM career's fair.



Students could virtually 'walk around' the fair

Esha P (Year 7) had a wonderful virtual chat with a colleague working for **Google** she was given advice on how to pursue a career with the company in the future.



Some tried kitchen science

KITCHEN SCIENCE

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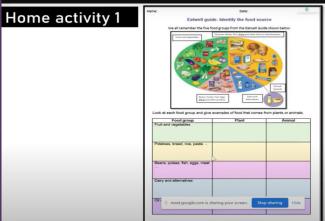




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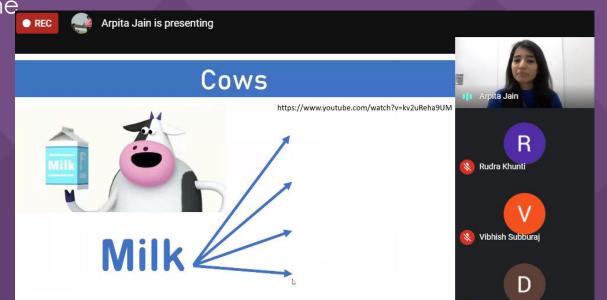




This term , some of our students had the opportunity to attend lessons with our guest speaker

- Arpita Jain







Testimonial from Arpita Jain

I, Ms. Arpita Jain, nutritionist at Govinda's Ltd. took online nutrition sessions (through science curriculum) for Year 7 & 8 pupils at Avanti Fields Schools, Leicester. The topics covered were 'Healthy Eating (The Eatwell Guide)' and 'Food Sources: Where does food come from'.

I noticed that the pupils were engaged throughout my session as they demonstrated high participation, by answering questions on the concept of Eatwell Guide, the daily recommended amounts of fruits and vegetables, smoothies, and where foods (corn, salt etc.) comes from. They were able to connect the food items to its source (plant or animal) and place them in the correct food groups of the Eatwell guide along with an excellent understanding of the Traffic Light Labelling system. How can we forget the anagrams, that was incredibly fun! It was an honour to see them learn with such enthusiasm.



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"No single day is the same, everyday is exciting in the world of robotics and artificial intelligence" Dr B Clarke (conference organiser). Attending the virtual careers conference on robotics and artificial intelligence with 8Z certainly sparked curiosity for them! The students were very excited and explained that they felt very eager to attend this workshop, specifically because they thought robotics and artificial intelligence are the world's future. They were very inquisitive during the session asking questions about qualifications required to study it further, apprenticeship opportunities and even sites to read up more about it. 8Z are a very enthusiastic group, always showing willingness to want to learn more, whether it is theory or practical. This opportunity has definitely widened their appreciation for learning science and maths in school as well as seeking apprenticeships opportunities.

Mrs Trivedi

Limit Less Careers Week 1-6 March 2021

You are viewing Toby Shannon-Smith's screen View Options

Limit Less Careers Week 2021 Robotics and Artificial Intelligence Featuring: Dr Luke Davis. University of Luxembourg

Matthew Goundry, Jacobs Matthew Watkins, Imperial College London Raquel Velasco, Vivacity Labs Chair: Dr Clara Barker, University of Oxford

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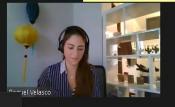
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Dr Luke Davis





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Many of our students had a fantastic opportunity to attend live webinars on the following topics:

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- Climate Change
- Robotics and Artificial Intelligence
- Physics in Medicine





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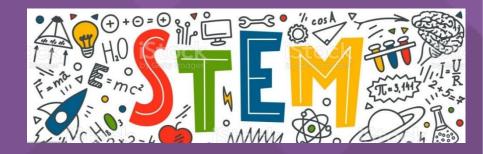




We would like to thank postcard designs. This month we have used **Lian Rughani's** amazing design.

Finally, in the world of Science this term we have our 'Scientist of the month' winners.

	SCIENTIST OF THE MONTH WINNERS		
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
	Anshh Dhagia	Shaylan Mapara	Jai Bagtharia
	Karina Vyas	Shruti Darbar	Neha Nayi
	Anjli Gorthan	Krishita Vijay	Shayan Pisavadia
	Yash Sawjani	Tejay Patel	Rafaela Santos Merx
	Jiya Bhardwa	Jayal Mistry	Nikita Kharbanda
	Aryan Lakhani	Rosanna Chapman	Dev Patel
	Dhanvi patel	Kian Patel	Drashti Amrutlal
	Yuvraj Nayee	Isha Parbhoo	Seyhan Gaziev
	Niyam Patel	Hinsika Mahesh	
	Shradha Khunti	Rakib Hossain	
	Vir Parmar		
	Keisha Patel		





PTFA New Logo

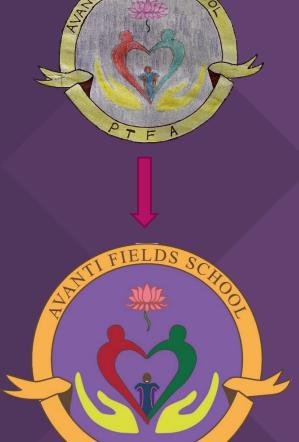
Our call-out for artistic help in designing our new logo was clearly listened to. We received more than 60 entries from pupils across all three-year groups. The PTFA members are hugely impressed with the effort that has gone into each and every design and would like to thank everyone who created some lovely pieces of artwork.

It took a while for our independent judges to sift through the entries and it certainly wasn't an easy task. But we're delighted to announce the winner for our logo competition is Tanisha Patel from 9W. Her entry incorporated the values of the PTFA and the school, as well as the official Avanti Fields logo and colours.

Tanisha's efforts have earned her a \pounds 25 voucher from the PTFA. But more importantly, her design and inspiration will be used to create our official logo which will be unveiled on the next page!

And we'd also like to congratulate our runners up Anjali Ramaiya (8W) and Meisha Patel (7U), who both receive art equipment courtesy of the school. Thank you to all of the pupils who sent in their designs, and to the parents who encouraged them. We really hope you'll continue to support us in such activities in the near future.

PTFA New Logo



Here it is.... A special thank you to Gayatri Jani from Jani Design LTD For supporting the PTFA and creating the digital logo based on Tanisha's design and keeping true to her creation.

Tanisha's description in here own words....

"The ribbon on my logo is the same as the ribbon beneath the shield in the Avanti logo.

The 2 adults are forming a heart, within the heart is the Avanti child.

Abstract hands are bringing everyone together and the lotus flower represents devotion.

My logo shows the PTFA bringing everyone together, it shows they are devoted to the school and the pupils who are at the heart of everything they do."

Runners Up…

Anjali Ramaiya Tutor Group: 8W



Meisha Patel Tutor Group: 7U



PTFA – We're getting onto Facebook!



As part of our efforts to boost our engagement with parents and the local community, we'll soon be launching our own Facebook page.

It'll be the ideal platform for us to share details with you about forthcoming events, activities and any relevant information.

Watch this space for further details on when the Page will be officially up and running, and how you can join.



PTFA – Help us as you shop!

We've registered our charity with Amazon Smile, and now need your support.

How does it work?

It's no different to you doing your usual shopping on the Amazon site – featuring the same products at the same price.

The only difference is, when you shop on Amazon Smile, the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the cost of all eligible products to our school PTFA. So if you buy something for £10, the PTFA will be given 5p. And that can soon add up!

Please also share with Friends and Family, as although the donations are small, the more of us who shop using Amazon Smile, the greater benefit to our pupils. And it won't cost you any more money to do so.

To join all you need to do is follow the simple instructions below... Click on – <u>https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1183148-0</u> Enter the registered email address for your Amazon Account Enter your Amazon Password and continue shopping.



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Virtual Pilgrimage: Leicester to Mayapur

The Avanti Fields Virtual Pilgrimage Mission was our a collective virtual walk from Leicester to Mayapur, in India, the birthplace of Sri Chaitanya. The distance from Leicester to Mayapur is over 8,600 miles. Along the route, students have learned about places of significance and have even had a street view of that each place.

Today, on the birthday of Shri Chaitanya, we have reached our destination!

Sri Chaitanya - his motto was Give Teaching to All, Live by What I Teach.

He stood for social reform and challenged discrimination against those who were told they couldn't have access to scripture, learning, or the worship of Krishna.

Though a divine incarnation he lived simply, in humility, in the mood of service, dedicated to love for God. Through his example he displayed the ideal character that each person can aspire to.

He continually chanted the names of God and induced others in the process. He said the names of Krishna sung together with others would quickly give rise to experiencing love for God.

As we visit the birth place of Chaitanya and complete our virtual pilgrimage, let us appreciate the privilege of being in the sacred site and absorb the learning opportunity arranged for the morning.







COMIC RELIEF 2021

We raised £823 !!

From various activities and the charity badminton match we have now raised a total of £823!!

Thanks to everyone who got involved and donated



Well done to Tanisha Patel and Shivani Kandoi for organising a charity badminton match between Mr Kachhela and Mr Bathia for Red Nose Day. The event was well organised and was a huge success with all forms logging in virtually to watch the match. Well done girls for your great idea and efforts.

A huge well done to Dhruv Chotai in year 9 who challenged himself to cover 100km in a week to raise money for comic relief. He achieved his challenge through walking and cycling and raised a phenomenal amount through our Just Giving page. Amazing job Dhruv!



PE Updates

Results from virtual skipping competition for Year 7 across all the schools in the city.

A huge well done to our Avanti Fields students who placed in the top 3 for year 7! Bronze - Xavyon Elcock Silver - Ria Basra Gold - Diya Popat

Results from virtual skipping competition for Year 8 across all the schools in the city. A huge well done to our Avanti Fields student who won for year 8! Gold - Vrishti Madhani On Tuesday, 23rd March we took part in the National Day of Reflection by displaying daffodils throughout the school and observing a minutes silence at 12 noon to honour our loved ones and reflect on the challenges we have overcome

National Day of Reflection 23 March



Maths Challenge

Congratulations to Melissa Kana and Manthan Sondagar on receiving a bronze award on the UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge

Tutor competition

Every term, we run the tutor competition. Each tutor group are rewarded points based on students conduct, attendance and the fortnightly quiz!

The winner's for this term are: Year 7 - 7X Year 8 - 8V Year 9 – 9X

Congratulations to all the students who have returned to school with a positive attitude to learning and hard work tirelessly to exemplify the Avanti Fields values!



one stop

A huge thank you to our local One Stop shop on Narborough Road for donating 18 easter eggs to our School.

These have been distributed amongst the students with tutors nominating a child in each form group and the remainder to nominated staff

Stay Safe, Be Well





