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Avanti Fields Newsletter July 2021

Dear Parents

We are now at the end of the academic year and I appreciate that it has been a year full of challenges for so many reasons. I would like to express my gratitude to you all for supporting the team here at Avanti Fields School in this temporary site; through a pandemic; and more recently the change in leadership.

As I work with you going forward, I want us to be open to the fact we may be wrong. I want us to be forgiving and forever looking to understand others. We are all interesting people, and we should all feel safe, respected and valued. When the waters are still, it is plain sailing. The big test for all of this is how we react when the seas are stormy.

An example of stormy waters could be the recent communications with regards the bus service. I would like to start by apologising if the communications have come late and if any previous communications have been sent, apologies if they were unclear. I hope the following bullet points help clarify these murky waters.

- Free buses for schools ended several years ago across all Local Authorities.
- Avanti Fields School offered a free bus service to overcome the difficulties of the site being a distance to far from the permanent site.
- Now we will be going into the permanent site, that free bus service is no longer justifiable.
- The cost of the free bus service has been circa £200 000 per year - a hugely significant amount which is not sustainable.
- The cost of a bus service that many schools offer is, dependent on distances/routes etc... between £450 to £650 per year. The cost for Avanti Fields School is in line with this.

I hope that somewhat clarifies the reason for the changes as we enter the new site and again, apologies if this has not previously been communicated.

Working with your children is an absolute privilege and with that privilege comes great responsibility. I am very keen that the partnership between home and school is a very positive one where we take time to listen to each other so that every decision is made with the very best of intentions and understand that some of those decisions are quite complex.

Have a super break. Look out for the communications over the summer break. I look forward to sharing dates with you for visits, events and other opportunities when we are able to do so.

Thank you for the positivity, support and understanding.

Mr D. Kite
Interim Principal
Avanti Fields School

A MESSAGE FROM THE SSC CHAIR

Dear Parents, Staff, Pupils & Friends,

On behalf of the SSC and as a parent, I would like say that we are extremely grateful for the tireless hard work of everyone at the school who have made the best of what has been the most difficult year. It has been a challenging time for us all but you have gone above and beyond to ensure all the children at the school have been looked after, kept safe and educated, providing the resources both in and out of school to make sure this has happened.

We would also like to thank our pupils who have also shown their resilience and adaptability to the continued situation and it has been pleasing to see the high engagement figures during the periods of remote learning.

Although the pandemic is not over it is increasingly looking like life at school will be returning to a little bit more like normal for the start of next term, a new normal where we can take the positives we have learnt over the last 18 months and incorporate them into our new ways of educating pupils and engaging with the school community.

As we say goodbye to the temporary site, which has served us well over the last 3 years, we can all look forward to the move to our 'Brand New School', it gives me great pleasure to be finally saying those words. We will also look forward to welcoming our new cohort and their families into our 'Avanti Fields Family'. Both the School and the PTFA will be holding many events to give you the opportunity to visit, experience and take pride in our new facilities which I hope will, in time, become the heart of the local community.

I wish you all a well-deserved summer break and look forward to meeting you all soon.

Many Thanks

Dipak Patel

SSC Chair
Avanti Fields





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New site updates

We're nearly there!!!!

As you can see from the most recent pictures, the new site is coming along well and everything is in place to take possession of the school building on 23rd August





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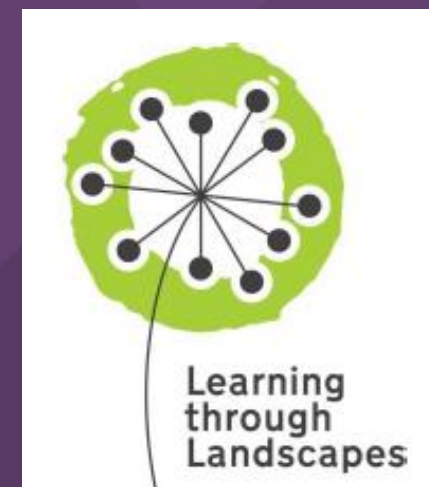


Polli:Nation for the Next Generation (Polli:Gen)

We have been extremely fortunate to be part of the Polli:gen project with Learning Landscapes this half term. Polli:gen focused on the importance of pollinator friendly school grounds. The project aimed to inspire the next generation, develop local knowledge, and make Leicester the most pollinator-friendly city in England.

Through practical, hands-on, nature-based activities that took place at Avanti Fields School, students learned about pollinating insects and how to make their school grounds more pollinator-friendly through habitat creation.

The students have thoroughly enjoyed participating in this project and we hope to continue providing further opportunities next academic year.

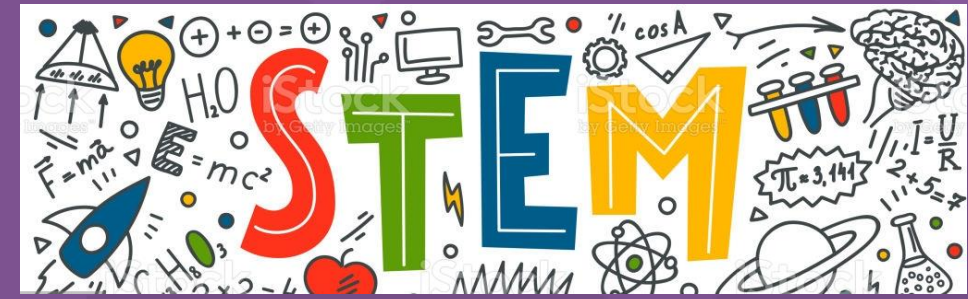




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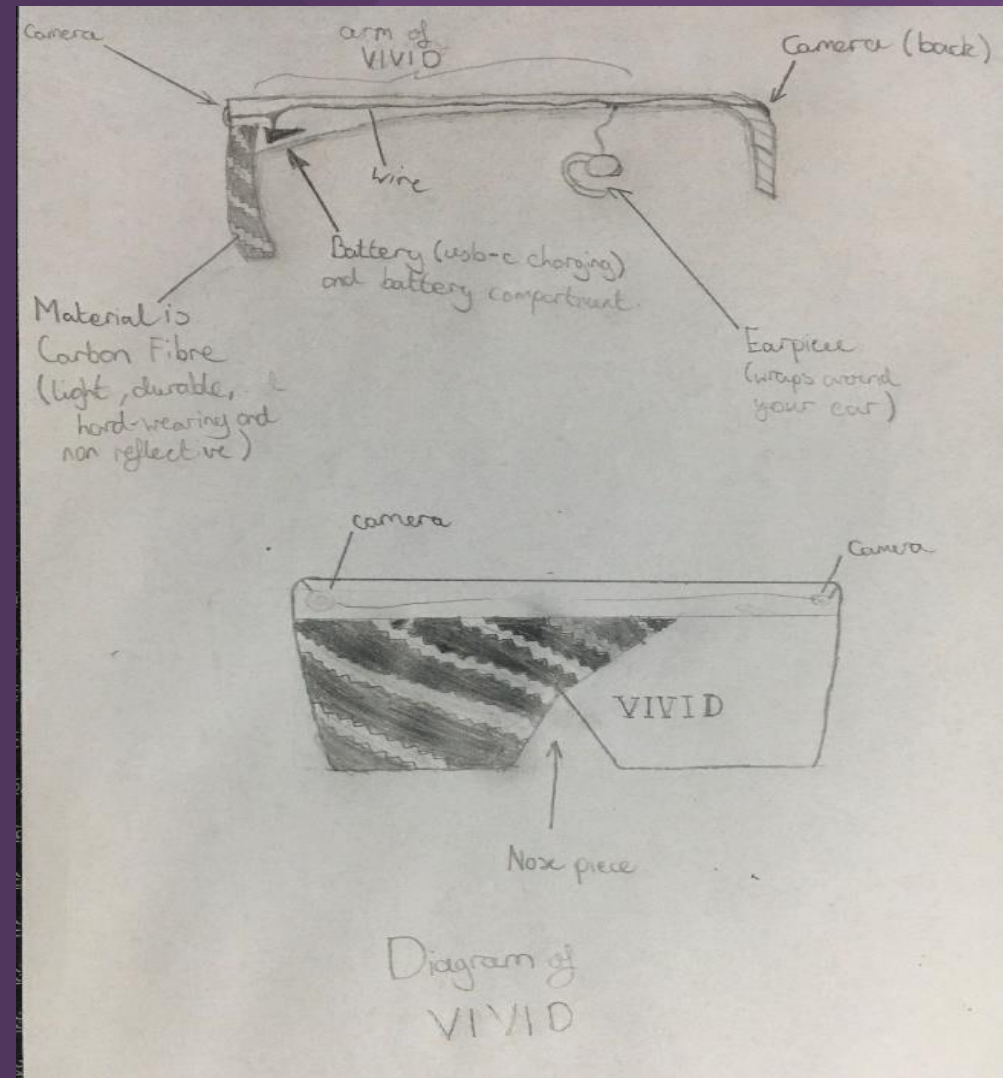
STEM CLUBS COMPETITION



Congratulations to Anshh (Y7) who was awarded as a runner up in the national STEM CLUBS competition.

His creation was a visually impaired virtual indication device (VIVID). The design would be made from carbon fibre – selected due to its unique properties of being strong but also light weight and having non-reflective surface. Cameras are shown by small bumps on the arm and will be wired to the battery and the earpiece.

A super achievement Anshh – we are all very proud of your efforts!



VIVID

Visually Impaired Virtual Indication Device

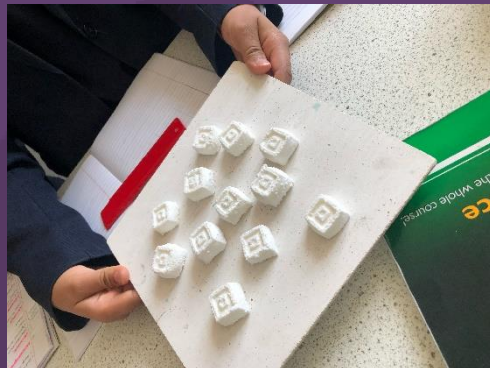
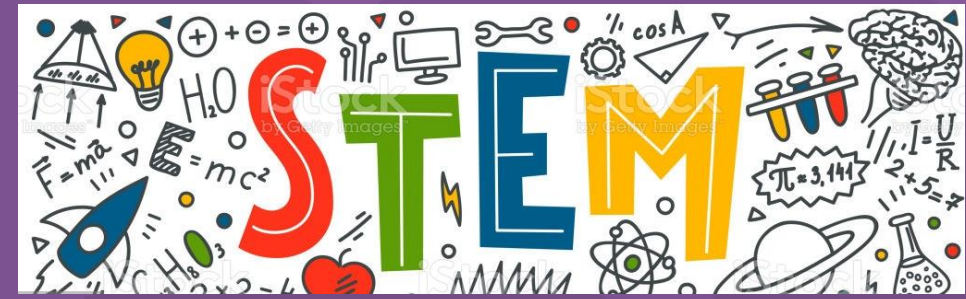




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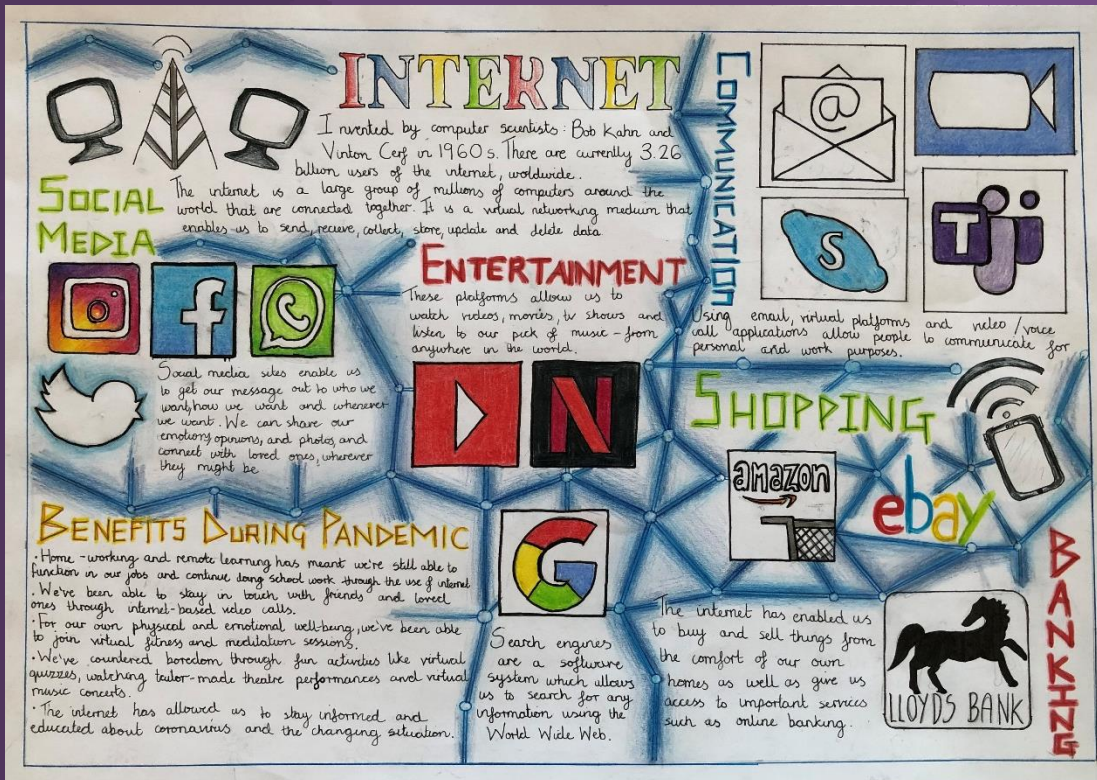
STEM CREST AWARD: Bath bombs





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This month we have used Jahnvi's creative design.

SCIENTIST OF THE MONTH WINNERS

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Meisha Patel	Nikhar Bhagat	Jassica Kaur
Diljot Kaur Mann	Shashank Mrugesh	Lulian Lungui
Jai Patel	Raksha Sankhla	Shivani Kandoi
Riya Pancholi	Shreeya Jutha	Janhvi Tandel
Harteer Kaur	Valerio Spicuglia	Kheya Parmar
Princy Patel	Rohan Trivedi	Mathusga Sivanesan
Riyan Patel	Siya Patel	Haley Patel
Jainish NitinKumar	Ayan Sawjani	Krishna Shah
Akshar Ruda	Amara Chauhan	
Kai Pancholi	Heeba Sheikh	
Yashvi Sunil		
Prince Tandel		



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SUMMER 2021 – Explore Science



From 8 July 2021: Explore the world of Summer Science

Explore the programme

Visit the website to check out the different zones and for more information

- Zone 1: View from above
- Zone 2: Urban landscape
- Zone 3: Under the skin
- Zone 4: Forces of nature

This year the Royal Society's popular Summer Science Exhibition is going totally digital between the **8 - 11 July 2021**. With a packed programme of inspiring talks, fun science from home activities and exciting digital content, there is something for all ages.

Nineteen research groups from across the UK will be demonstrating their research through innovative digital experiences, from **escape rooms** and **quizzes** to virtual tours and digital games.

This year you can explore all the cutting-edge research through our interactive Summer Science hub, with four exciting zones

<https://royalsociety.org/science-events-and-lectures/2021/summer-science-exhibition/>



SCIENCE NEWS: Follow us on Twitter

Follow us on Twitter to receive updates and news from Avanti Fields School and Avanti Science.

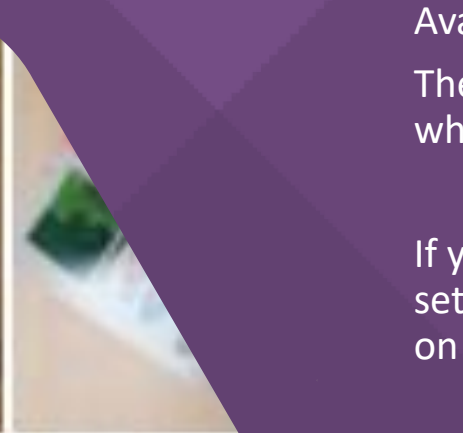
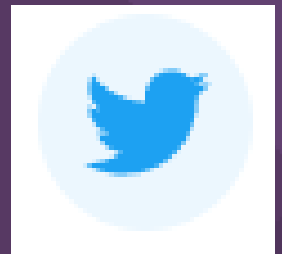
These regular feeds are a great way to keep up to date with what is happening in science.

If you do not have an account already, it is free and easy to set up and can be received not just on your computer but on a range of mobile devices: www.twitter.com

Twitter handle:

@AFS_Science

@AvantiFields





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PE NEWS

Well done to the following students who are the final sports personalities to make it onto the board for this academic year.

Well done for being great role models in PE!

Tanisha Patel and Sahil Patel – Year 9

Kai Katwa and Akudzwa Zimbudzana – Year 8

Didhiti Patel and Shayan Patel – Year 7

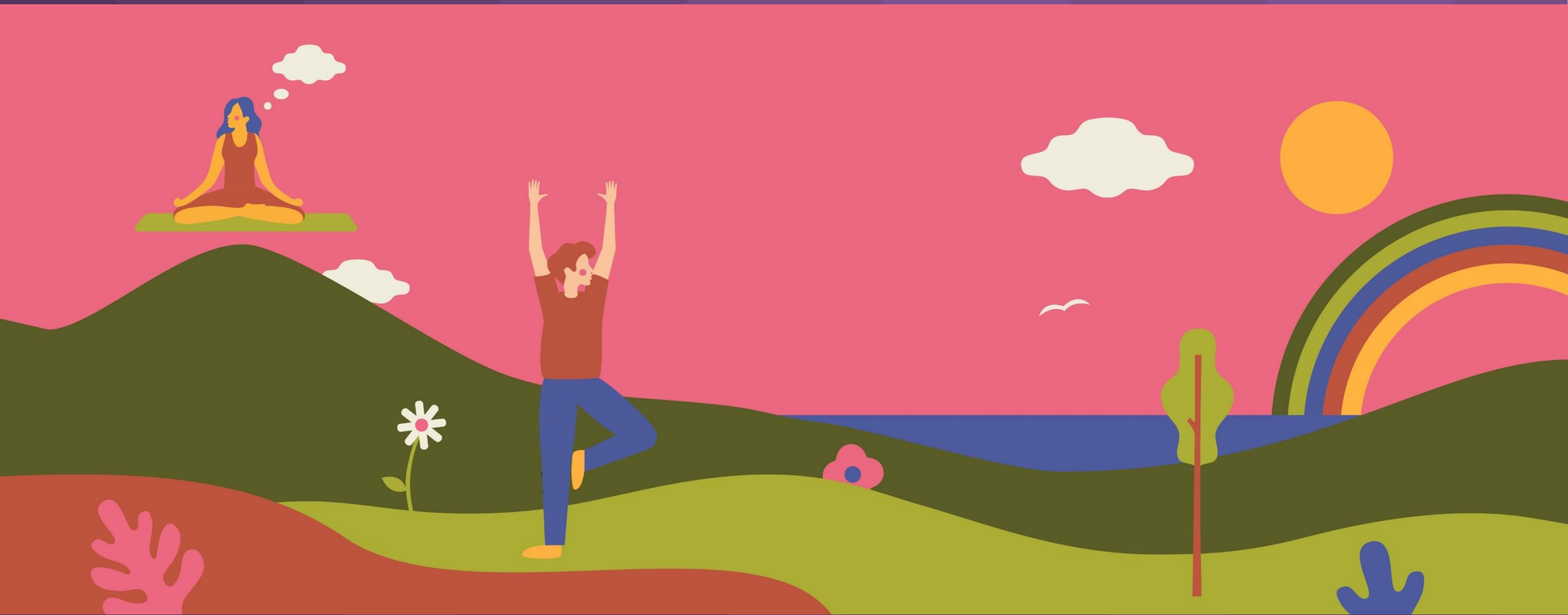




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Please also see the attached PTFA newsletter

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