



AVANTI SCHOOLS TRUST

# SW HUB AVANTI NEWS

April 2020

## Message from the SW Hub Director - Carolyn Dickinson



Carolyn Dickinson

The aim of this newsletter is to provide a brief update on some of the various actions and discussions that have been taking place across the three Avanti schools in the South West Hub since the schools joined on November 1 2019.

### Congratulations to Avanti Gardens Kindergarten Team Awarded the Bristol Standard

**T**he coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to present daily challenges for us all. Thank you for all your co-operation as we work to ensure the safety of all children, families and staff. We do not underestimate the challenges that this situation is causing you both professionally and personally and want to assure you that we will do all that we can to support you going forward.

I do hope that as parents and carers you and your families are well and that home learning has started well. Staff in all 3 Avanti schools in the south west continue to work incredibly hard to ensure all pupils have work and activities that are accessible and engaging. I am extremely grateful to all our staff for their tremendous efforts whether that be from working at home or from those in school.

In line with the latest government guidance all our schools remain closed except for children who absolutely need to attend. We continue to provide in-school care for children who are vulnerable, and children whose parents are critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) response and cannot be safely cared for at home. If needed, this care will continue over the Easter holidays. The guidance remains that the safest place for pupils and staff is at home.



It is great to be able to celebrate this significant achievement of the Kindergarten team in Avanti Gardens. The Bristol Standard is nationally recognised as a self-evaluation framework for early years education. The submission by the kindergarten team involved a detailed analysis of what is currently working well and what they hope to improve in the future.



### Curriculum Review

The curriculum review team is scheduled to report their findings to the Avanti Schools Trust Board in late April 2020. Our intention is to share the report with staff and parents together with the new curriculum plans for each school the week commencing May 4 2020. Following the publication of the review outcome there will

be opportunity - via each school's website - for parents to ask questions in order to gain clarity about some of the detail of the new curriculum plans for September 2020. In addition, a staffing restructure process will commence across all three schools to ensure we have the correct staff in place for each curriculum.

#### Contact the SW Hub Board

If you have an issue you would like to raise with the SW Hub Board you can contact the Clerk via the following email address:

[SWHub.Clerk@avanti.org.uk](mailto:SWHub.Clerk@avanti.org.uk)





# Proposed Term Dates

In line with other Avanti schools, the proposed term dates for the academic year 2020/2021 are listed below. In May 2020 we will be launching a formal consultation process about the proposed changes.

## Autumn 1

(Tues 1st and Wednesday 2nd Sept - INSET days)

All pupils return Thursday 3rd September 2020 to Friday 16th October 2020\*

Monday 19th October to Friday 30th October

## Autumn 2

Monday 2nd November 2020 to Friday 11th December 2020\*\*

\*\* three-week Christmas break

## Spring 1

Monday 4th January 2021 to Friday 12th February 2021

## HALF TERM

Monday 15th February – Friday 20th February

## Spring 2

Monday 22nd February 2021 to Friday 2nd April 2021

## Summer 1

Monday 19th April 2021 to Friday 28th May 2021

## HALF TERM

Monday 31st May to Friday June 4th 2021

## Summer 2

Monday 7th June 2021 to Thursday 22nd July 2021

## Inset Days

Tuesday 1st September and Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Friday 16th October 2020

Monday 22nd February 2021

TBC June/July 2021



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