



AVANTI GARDENS
SCHOOL

Avanti Gardens Family Bulletin

Welcome to the AGS Family Bulletin. In this communication with parents and carers, we aim to bring together our whole school community by sharing information

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :

Dear Families,

As we now hit the halfway point for this term, it's important for all of us to reflect on how far we've come during a particularly difficult, unusual and unpredictable time. I want to thank families for their enormous commitment to remain engaged with school during an enormously challenging time. We've been encouraged to receive very high-quality learning and effort to engage from across the school – which we are pleased to see.

I want to inform families that the school will continue to provide 3-4 hours of work each day. As you know, the mental-health and wellbeing of the family is fundamental and should be prioritised over all else. As a family, you should engage with as much learning as possible, whilst ensuring the wellbeing of the family remains balanced. You have my full support to make this judgement.

I have enjoyed working with teachers this week to see the fantastic effort of pupils in their learning – we shouldn't forget what an enormous change this is to 'school' and how well pupils, parents and teachers have done to adapt.

I wish all families a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Yours Faithfully,
Mr Milum

CLASS UPDATES

RECEPTION

What a fabulous week it has been for Orchid class! We have begun our weekly calls on Teams, and it's been lovely to see your smiles and that you've been sharing your work with us.

It has been a fun packed week in Maths, learning all about weighing; thank you for sending your photos of your baking and playdough making. Molly baked some lovely treats and noticed, when she was kneading the dough, that it was similar to dough disco. Next week we will be moving onto our next phase 'Growing 6,7,8'.

In Jigsaw, Jenie set Mrs Osborn a challenge of setting a goal, and through perseverance she managed to achieve it. Then Mrs Osborn set Orchid class and their families a challenge of setting a goal. It's been fantastic to hear what your family goals have been, especially the family who've challenged themselves to go out on a daily walk even if it's raining!

In Phonics we have been consolidating our Set 1 sounds and reading lots of words. Don't forget you can access books via Oxford Owl with the class login page to read more books, there are even stories that you can share as a family.

In Literacy we have begun to innovate our story to give it our own little twist. I know that families at home have worked hard to learn the original story and have created some brilliant puppet shows that support this. We were lucky enough to watch Rocco's puppet show - it left us with big smiles on our faces!

In our topic lesson we continued to focus on stars. We listened to the story 'The Lost Stars' and then got creative making our own beautiful stars. The children within the KS1 bubble also partook in this activity and we had a classroom full of wonderful stars!

Mrs Osborn and Miss Griffith

DAFFODIL

What a fantastic week of learning you've all had. Thank you so much for sending your work in, I've so enjoyed looking at your learning.

In Math's the children have been continuing to get to know numbers to 50 through place value, ordering numbers and sequencing.

In English the children been super creative and have changed some of the characters in their story and have described them using lots of adjectives. Have a look at Zoya's fantastic wow work for this week!

In Phonics the children have been continuing to learn with help from Rosie who has been teaching them sounds as well as helping them with their sentence writing.

In Science the children have been continuing to explore materials and their properties.

In History the children have had a go at making toys that Victorian children would have played with.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Cook

SUNFLOWER

It's the end of another week of homeschooling and I hope you are all planning to enjoy some well-earned down time this weekend.

Thank you again to those of you who continue to engage with our virtual classroom. It has been a pleasure to see the work that children have completed - please continue to share this so that we can celebrate successes with you.

In Maths, we've continued our fractions learning to find $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ of quantities. In English, children have been writing their own version of The Papaya That Spoke.

In Science, children carried out an experiment to test the rigidity of different material around the home and in Geography, you have been exploring the Americas.

Next week's calls will be video calls and I am excited to see your lovely faces again.

Also, from next week, we will come together to enjoy a Sunflower Class Zoom Storytime at 3:00pm every Friday.

Have a restful weekend everyone!

Miss Roberts

IRIS and PEONY

Dear year 3 children, parents/carers

We have had another fantastic week with our home learning. It is so lovely to see you all engaged and fully embracing this new and unusual way of teaching/learning. It has been so nice to be able to video call with some of you this week, it has been a great opportunity to really share and celebrate the work you have all been doing. Especially all the new geologists we have in our class. The year 3 children in the key worker bubble have made a small rock museum to showcase all the different rocks they have found digging in the ground. If you have been able to go exploring outside, please do send me the photographs of what you have found. Who knows what could be lying beneath your feet?

I know that some days are more difficult than others, but I am very proud of everything that year 3 are doing and I hope we can continue with this wonderful positivity.

Have a restful weekend,

Miss Butterfield-West

FOXGLOVE

Hello Foxglove Families,

This week in foxglove, we have continued to look at writing setting descriptions, everyone had a good go at innovating the beginning of Cinderella and writing their own setting description. Miss Line has been very impressed with your addition and subtraction skills. Lots of children enjoyed learning about more about Anglo Saxons and had a go at designing and making clothes made from natural materials.

Foxglove children have also been keeping themselves busy. Zed has become a chef and had been cooking all sorts of food. Lots of you have been doing arts and crafts projects and have enjoyed playing all sorts of games with your families and friends.

Please remember that, starting next week, calls will be a video call-so please look out for an email invite.

Miss Silverthorne

SNAPDRAGON

Dear parents/guardians

Again, thanks for returning the work from the children, I've enjoyed reading and seeing it. Thank you for the feedback on the videos and work which is being set. I do appreciate there are some technical issues with different versions of word which have caused some difficulties. If you are doing any art, crafts or cooking which you'd like to share with the class and myself that would be lovely to see. Keep on going and thank you again.

Stay safe and have a relaxing weekend.

Mr. Youngs



P.E.

Hello everyone,

I hope you all had a great weekend - nice to see 1 or 2 at Pomphrey yesterday enjoying some better weather. Please remind your children how important this is for healthy bodies and minds.

As a reminder here is the link to your online Virtual PE and Family Bootcamps during lockdown.

Mondays - EY / KS1 lesson - This week we meet Fast Freddie's friend Handy Harry. Harry is tasked with the job of helping mum do the shopping and load up the car. A throwing for accuracy session!

KS2 lesson - we take to the great outdoors with Mr 'Bear Grylls' Jones for a very creative survival session.
#savethehedgehogs!

<https://www.sportingchance-csp.co.uk/lockdown-videos#weekthree>

Stay safe, stay active, stay healthy!

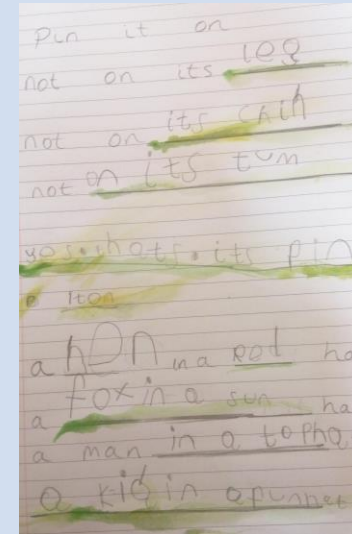
Mr Davies, Mr Gill, Mr Evans, Mr Dyer



WOW OF THE WEEK

EYFS:

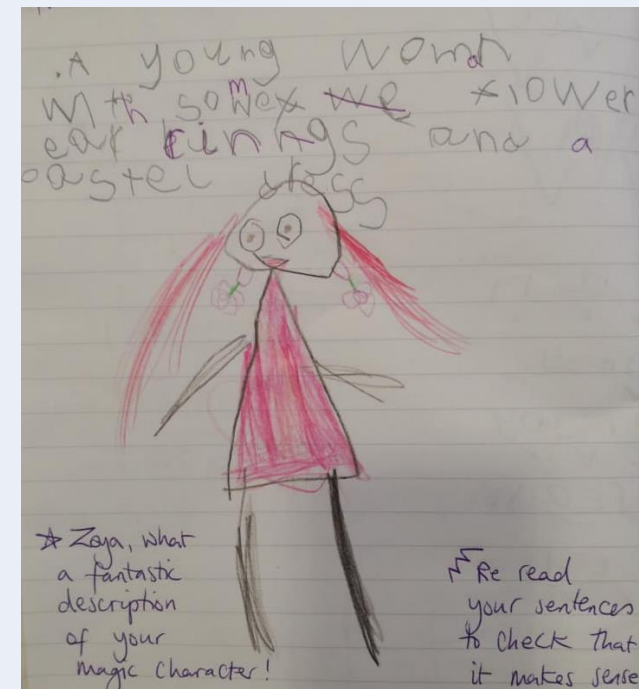
Hazel has worked hard with her phonics this week and has completed some brilliant writing. She has also made sure that her writing has very clear finger spaces. She should be very proud of the effort she has put into this. Well done Hazel!



Year 1:

Wow Work! It's been great to hear how you all are getting on at home this week. Well done to you all!

This is Zoya's magical character from our story. She has been super creative in her thinking and has decided that her character shall be a young woman with some flower earrings and a pastel dress. I'm captivated already and can't wait to see what this character gets up to. Well done Zoya!



Year 2:

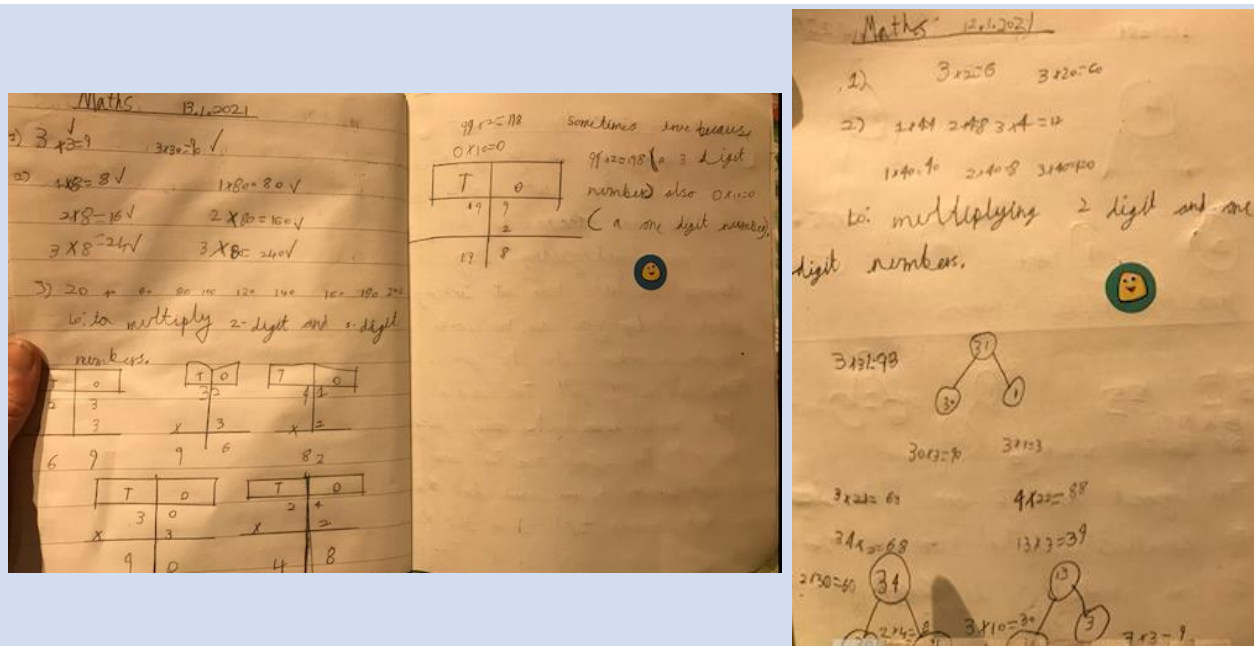
This week's WOW! work comes from Neve. Neve has been working hard across all subjects and continues to impress each day with her focus and attitude towards learning. Here she is proudly showing off her Topic learning, investigating The Americas.

Super work Neve! You should be very proud of yourself.



Year 3:

The wow work for Year 3 this week goes to Luna. She has been working extremely hard in her Maths. She has correctly used two different methods to multiply 2-digit and 1-digit numbers, partitioning and short multiplication. Not only that but even at home her presentation is wonderful. You can clearly see that she is taking her time to work out the answers to the questions. Well done Luna, keep up the good work



Year 4:

This week's WOW work goes to Hania. Hania has been working very hard with all of her learning at home but her maths work in particular has impressed me. This week in maths we have been looking at our addition and subtraction skills. Hania has impressed by using a range of methods to solve many different types of questions and always challenging herself to solve some tricky questions. Well done Hania!

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Have a go at these word questions. Take your time!

Q1.
Here are four digit cards.
3 5 4 8
Use each of the digit once to make a total that is a multiple of 5.
 $53 + 64 = 117$ ✗
 $54 + 36 = 90$ ✓

Q2.
The numbers in this sequence increase by 40 each time.
Write the missing numbers.
110 155 200 245 290 335

Q3.
Write the three missing digits to make this addition correct.
$$\begin{array}{r} 53249 \\ + 7427 \\ \hline 60676 \end{array}$$

Q1.
 $37 + 5 = 42$ ✓
37 → 40 (+3) → 42 (+2)

Q2.
 $17 + 12 = 29$ ✓
17 → 20 (+3) → 29 (+9)

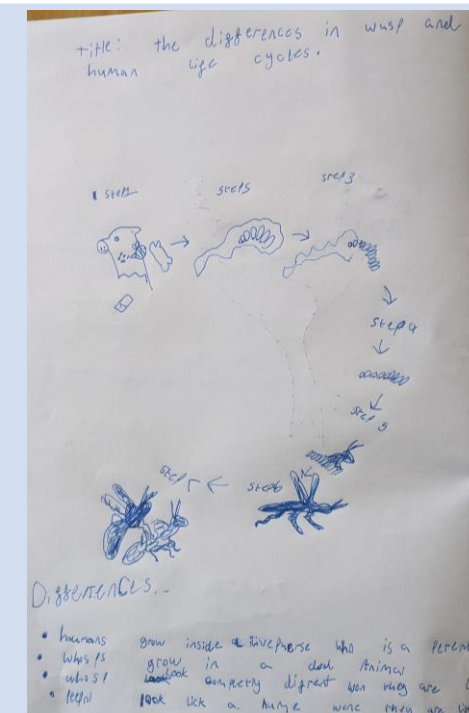
Q3.
 $82 + 10 = 92$ ✓
82 → 90 (+8) → 92 (+2)

Q4.
 $36 + 23 = 59$ ✓
36 → 56 (+20) → 59 (+3)

Q5.
 $23 + 37 = 60$ ✓
23 → 37 (+14) → 60 (+23)

Year 5/6:

I enjoyed Daisy's enthusiasm in comparing the life cycles and looking at the differences.



Dear parents and carers

I am writing to let you know that there is a new page on the Avanti Schools Trust website to support you with 'Home Learning'. The page is titled 'Learning Online' and can be accessed by clicking the top left tab – see below. The core purpose for this page is to support you with helping your child to access learning from home due to the prolonged period of lockdown.



Remote Learning (home learning) can be challenging, and we are all aware that different families will have different pressures. The new page has currently three main areas:

- Wi-Fi and connectivity survey
- Video tutorials
- A Remote Learning Help Form

Wifi and connectivity survey

A very short survey to let us know if you have suitable home Wi-Fi and devices to access learning at home. If you could complete this survey it will help us plan going forward to support you with these issues, where possible. If you are a critical worker or have a child who is either a vulnerable student or entitled to free school meals, I would encourage you to complete the form. The school may be able to help by increasing the mobile phone data allowance for your child if your home Wi-Fi is insufficient.

Video tutorials

Short video tutorials explaining how to access, for example, Google Classroom and complete and submit work online. As time goes by more videos will be added.

Remote learning help form

A Remote Learning Help form to call for help for any issues or concerns you have with regards remote learning. Upon completion of the form your child's school will receive the information and get back to you as soon as possible. This form should be used for any connectivity issues, password and login issues, or anything else that we may be able to help you with in these difficult times.

We are committed to ensuring that all students have appropriate technology to access their lessons; where possible, this includes suitable home Wi-Fi and devices to access learning, as well as ensuring you and your child have up to date login details for our learning platforms and Arbor.

Zoom sessions for parents and carers: supporting your child during lockdown

If you would like to find out more about how you can better support your child during lockdown then join us at one of the following Zoom sessions – simply click on one of the links below to register:

Thursday January 28 2021 at 18.00

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/remote-learning-support-for-ast-parents-tickets-136932076827>

Wednesday February 3 2021 at 18.00

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/remote-learning-support-for-ast-parents-tickets-1369324476687>

Thank you for your continued support, please visit the Learning Online page of our website and I look forward to seeing some of you on the Zoom sessions in the next few weeks.

Mike



Mike Ion FCCT
Education Director

At Avanti Gardens, we are going to be launching 4 different houses for the children and staff to be part of. There are lots of benefits for developing our team work and Community Spirit here at Avanti and we are really excited for our children to support us with this.

We would like you to think of the possible names for our 4 different houses. There needs to be a link between them, but you can decide the theme.

We would like you to pick a name/ colour/ picture for the different houses and explain the reason for your choice. You can draw a picture and take a photograph/write your ideas down and send them to avantigardens@avanti.org.uk

An example I have thought of is:

Oak- Red Alder-Blue Ash- Green Beech- Yellow



I have picked different trees as it links to our name Avanti Gardens and there are trees in the grounds of Avanti Gardens School.

We cannot wait to hear your different ideas. We would like all suggestions and ideas in by **3.00pm Wednesday 10th February 2021.**

We will look at all the ideas and announce a winner on Friday **26th February 2021** in Mr Milum's Celebration Assembly.

LOCKDOWN MENU FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL

Here is the new menu for school meals prepared for our lockdown bubbles. Next week we will return to Week 1.

 Avanti Garden School Lockdown 					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	Mediterranean Vegetable tart (Ce,G, Mk or Vg*) Or Sandwich (G,Mk or Vg*) -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Apple Crumble with Custard (G,Mk or Vg*)	Potato & Pea Curry with Naan (G) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- ShortBread (G)	Soup with Vegetable Bread (G,Ce,Mk) Or Sandwich (G,Mk or Vg*) -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Strawberry Jelly	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake (Ce,G, Mk or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Flap Jack (G,Mk)	Margarita Pizza & Chips (Mk,G, Ce or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Ice cream (Mk)
WEEK 2	Mac 'n' Cheese (G,Mk,Mu) Or Sandwich (G,Mk or Vg*) -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Pear Crumble with Custard (G,Mk or Vg*)	Mexican Bean Chilli with Nachos & Cheese (Mk,Ce or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Carrot Cake (G)	Soup with Homemade Cheese Scones (G,Ce,Mk) Or Sandwich (G,Mk or Vg*) -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Flapjack (G,Mk)	Veggie Sausage with mash & Peas (G,Mk,Mu,So,Su or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Chocolate Mousse (Mk)	Margarita Pizza & Chips (Mk,G, Ce or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Ice cream (Mk)
WEEK 3	Tomato & Basil Pasta (G,Mk,Mu or Vg*) Or Sandwich (G,Mk or Vg*) -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Peach Crumble with Custard (G,Mk or Vg*)	Vegetable Stir Fry Noodles (G) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Chocolate Chip Cookie (G,Mk)	Mixed Vegetable Soup with Bread (G,Ce) Or Sandwich (G,Mk or Vg*) -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Orange Jelly	Baked Pesto Pasta (G,Mk or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Coconut & Jam Cake (G)	Margarita pizza & Chips (Mk,G, Ce or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily filling -XX- Assorted Salads -XX- Ice Cream (Mk)

Salad bar, fresh breads & fresh fruits are available every day!
Week Commencing:

Vg* Vegan Option Available. Allergens: G gluten Mu Mustard Mk Milk Ce Celery Se Sesame Seed So Soya Su Sulphur Dioxide

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