



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,

I have this week seen a true team spirit amongst my team, all underpinned by our core priority of putting your child at the centre of all our decision making. At AGS, we want to give our pupils a second to none primary education that holds real rigour in the core subjects of reading, writing, maths and science, as well as having a truly inspiring wider curriculum that exploits our unique and amazing facilities.

This week in particular, we have focused on children's mental health awareness. Part of this focus was to have a non-screen day where pupils could take time to reflect and engage in mindfulness as well as having a refresher away from technology. I have enjoyed seeing the exciting projects that each class completed which you will be able to see in the rest of this week's bulletin.

Well done and all credit to families who are engaging well with the remote learning. The learning that your child(ren) are able to engage with will have an impact that shouldn't be overlooked.

Staff this week have gone above and beyond to ensure the curriculum and site are inspiring for pupils to return. Many thanks again to all those staff rolling up their sleeves to get classrooms ship-shape for purposeful, engaging and inspiring learning. Stay tuned for a grand opening of one of our new rooms coming soon.

Yours Faithfully,
Mr Milum

CLASS UPDATES

RECEPTION

Orchid class have had another wonderful week of remote learning. It has been lovely to speak to you all and find out what you are enjoying the most.

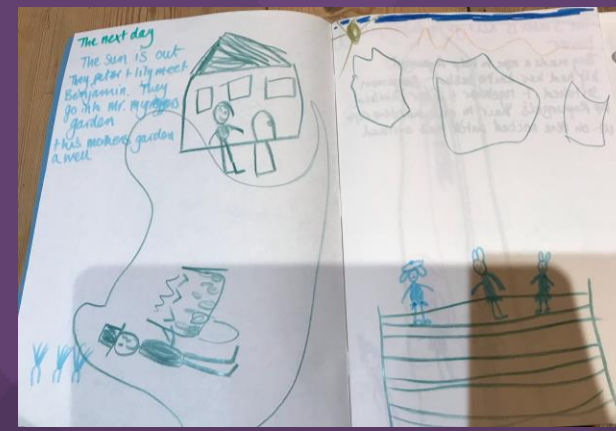
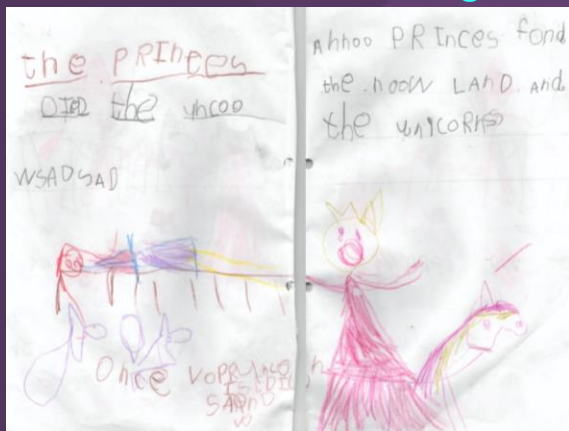
In Maths we have been exploring combining two groups together and adding more. It's been fantastic to hear so many children went out during our screen free day to collect sticks and rocks, pairing them into groups.

In Jigsaw we imagined that we were travelling by rocket into space and into the future. We thought about different jobs and the skills people need to do those jobs. We thought about what job we want to do when we are older and what skills we need to use to achieve this dream.

This week in English we have begun to look at non-fiction writing. I have heard that Hazel was inspired by this and became the teacher, telling her little sister lots of different animal facts. Towards the end of the week the children were set the task of creating their own food that was a mix of a fruit and vegetable. I cannot wait to hear all the creative ideas that the children have come up with!

Miss Griffith

Photos from home learning



DAFFODIL

Dear Daffodil Class and families,

What a fantastic first week of February we have had. It has been amazing to hear all about the learning you have been doing, especially for our Screen free Monday!

So many of you spent Monday outdoors exploring the local area, especially around Oldbury Court Estate. Some of you have been out on your bikes, challenging yourselves to ride without stabilisers.

Jake has been busy creating bookmarks this week, decorating them, and adding a tassel. He is even making one for me, which is very kind of him. We have begun having video calls this week; it has been lovely for me to see your smiles and for you to share your work and learning with me. Thank you to Sid for reading a chapter of his book, I can't wait to hear you read again next week.

Each family now has a scheduled day and time, and you will have received a link for Google Meet, this is the same link weekly. At the time of our video meet, please click on the link and I will be there waiting. If you are experiencing technical difficulties, please let us know so that we can call via telephone.

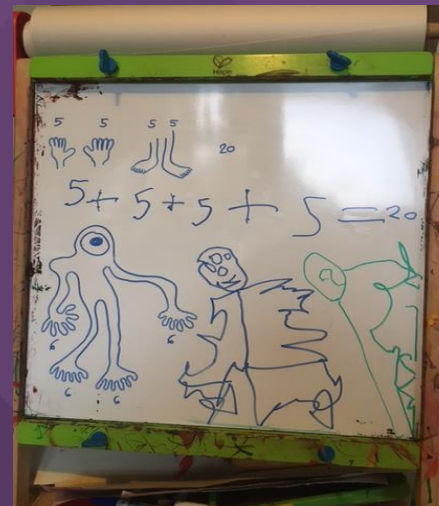
Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Osborn and Mrs Underwood

Photos from home learning



Sids space painting and solar system model



Sid enjoyed counting in 2, 5 and even 6



Jake has made some beautiful bookmarks

SUNFLOWER

Hello Sunflower families,

Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard this week at home and in the bubble at school. I have loved seeing the work that's been sent in from the home and look forward to seeing next week's already! What a fun Monday we had working on all those screen-free activities.

This week in maths we have learnt about unit and non-unit fractions and have ended the week with learning to count in halves, quarters and thirds! In literacy we have been learning about persuasive writing and how to use commas in a list. In science we built paper bridges for toys to cross and in topic you competed your maps of the world by drawing Asia and Australasia.

Well done for all your hard work and engagement over the whole week.

I hope your weekend is full of laughter!

Miss Lollover

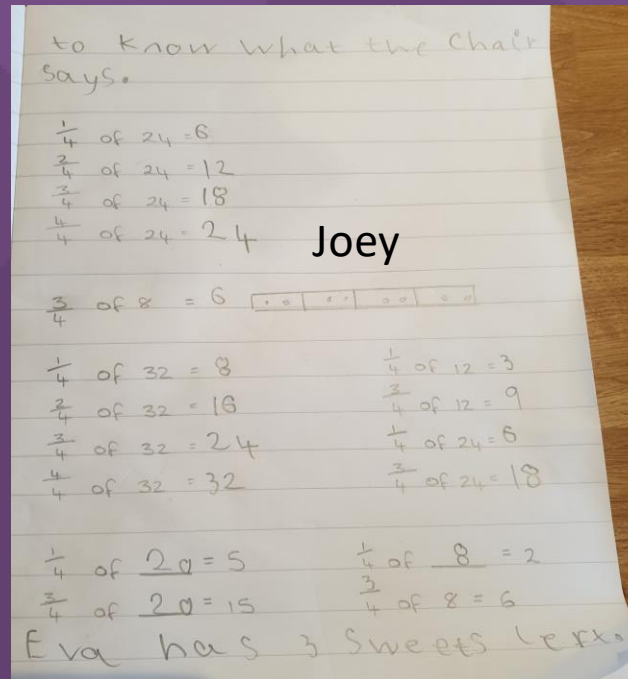
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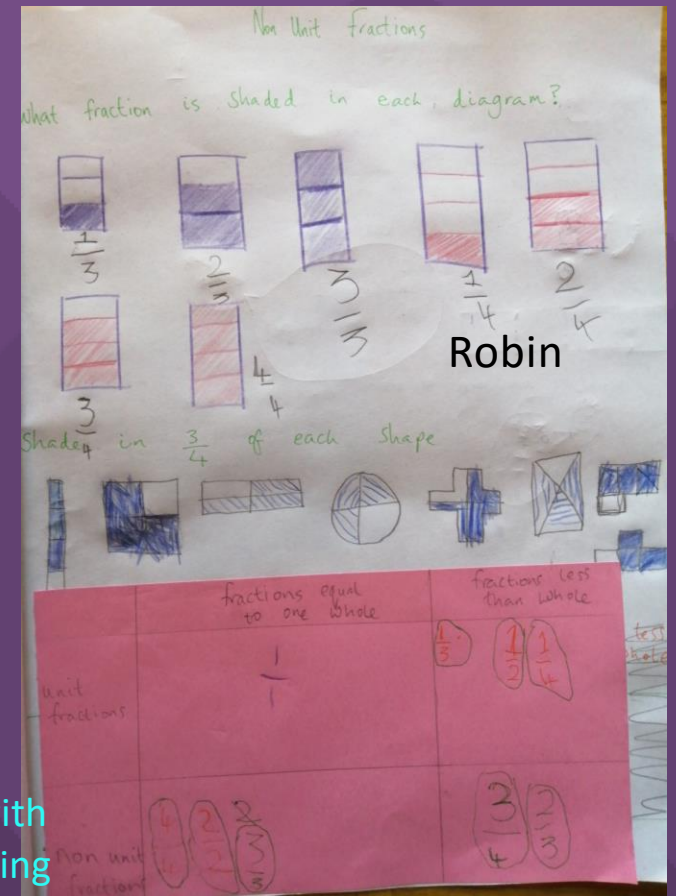
Luna - No screen Monday, in her reading den with dad.



Elsie - No screen Monday, practicing multiplying and dividing by 2 at the allotment using seeds.



Robin and Joey - Tremendous effort with some really tricky maths. Demonstrating great resilience in their fractions learning.



IRIS and PEONY

Dear year 3 children and families,

This week in Year 3 we have continued to look at rocks and fossils. I have received many more wonderful videos and photos of volcanoes. It's been lovely hearing how much you have all enjoyed that project.

We have come to the end of our unit on newspaper reports, and I can say with great confidence that we have some amazing journalists and writers in Year 3.

Thank you to everyone for really engaging with the no screen learning day on Monday. It's always lovely to use nature and the world around us for our learning. I have heard and read some incredible descriptive stories and poems about the walks you have been on.

Miss Butterfield-West

Photos from home learning

Monday 1st February 2021

English: **Edie**

What We Did Today

It was a misty morning, Mum said "Let's go for a walk" furiously enough, School said to go on a walk too! I went to get a basket, I put in my basket: an apple, some crisps and a croissant. We walked through Greenbank Cemetery to Epsomville Park, and I spotted some delicate, dainty and pure white snowdrops. We collected some fuzzy, furry and long catkins and crusty, flaky and light green lichen. On the way home we talked about what Spring would look like as a girl. I think Spring is a child. Spring wears a bright green velvet robe, her dress has a layer of light pink silk that flows over dark pink silk. She has bare feet, her skin is fair and her cheeks are a rosy red. Her hair is a dark glossy brown that tumbles down to her knees. Spring has vibrant green eyes, she wears a crown of cherry blossom and apple blossom. When we got home we made a nature table and drew snowdrop pictures.

I'm in later in Lord Nips nest, they were sad from the foxes and having the foxes a cup of green tea THE END.

Maths 27.1.21

1) 4 8 12 16 20 24 28 32
36 40

2) $3+3=6$
 $3+3+3=9$
 $3+3+3+3=12$

3) $8 \times 1 = 8$ $8 \times 4 = 32$
 $8 \times 2 = 16$ $8 \times 5 = 40$
 $8 \times 3 = 24$ $8 \times 6 = 48$

4) Hat Scarf
Blue Blue
Blue Green
Green Green
Green Blue
Pink Green
Pink Blue

$2 \times 3 = 6$ $4 \times 3 = 12$
 $2 \times 4 = 8$

1)
$$\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 37 \\ \times 5 \\ \hline 185 \end{array}$$

Louis

$96 \div 3 = 32$

2)

10	0
00	50
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00	00

 $84 \div 4 = 21$

3) $3 \times 7 = 21 + 2 = 23$

4) $125 \times 5 = 625$ $25 \times 5 = 125$

$$\begin{array}{r} 25 \\ 125 \\ \times 5 \\ \hline 625 \end{array}$$
 $125 \times 25 = 3125$

$$\begin{array}{r} 125 \\ + 25 \\ \hline 150 \end{array}$$

once upon a time there was a boy on a visit at his mum and dad. Happy he got on the way. "Hi Timmy!" cried his mum. "Timmy my boy!" his dad said. "We were worried sick!" they said. "Why were you worried?" he said. "Because of the witch!" they said. "What does the witch look like?" he said. "Well, she has a half a you here and over there at the bottom and a feet. What does the witch do?" he said. "She sits on the couch. The witch sees a child in the night. The mum said, "The witch is not real!" He said, "Mum said 'No Not Go!' He said "I am!" He went before you. "Do not look in her eye!" I am going to look in to her eye!" As he went, he is in the home with his dog behind the door... "A sweet old woman she said 'Come in'." He said "This is my home home!" She said "What to do?"

He said "THIS IS RELL!" He look in her eye and he was never seen. AIN! THE END.

Maude

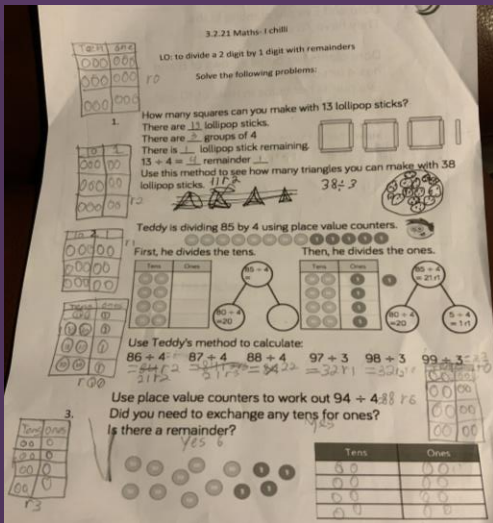
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Hello Foxglove Families,

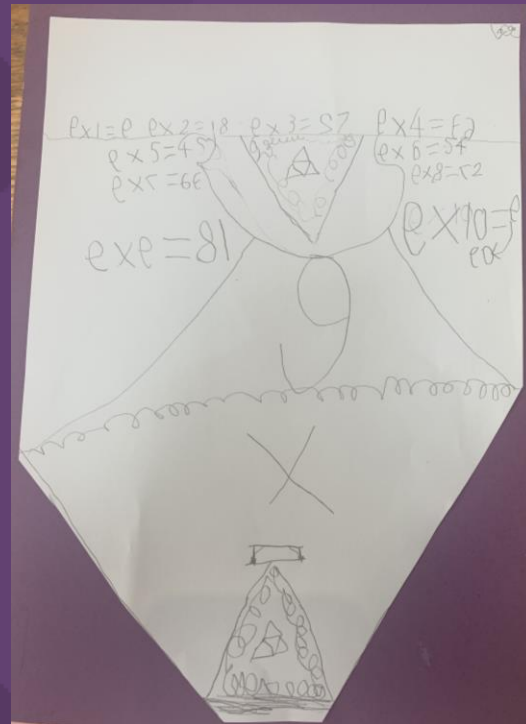
This week Foxglove children have been continuing their work on news reports and their division skills. They have also been exploring the Michael Morpurgo book called Beowulf. The children have been busy doing their own projects as well, Miriam and Riley have made their own books, Kaya has made a comic and Zed has continued making different recipes in the kitchen. It has been great hearing and seeing all the different activities that everyone has been up to this week.

Miss Silverthorne

Photos from home learning



Hana dividing 2 digits



Jesse's timetable post



Riley's book



Olivia's Headlines

SNAPDRAGON

Dear Families,

Another week of lockdown comes to an end, it's been lovely to see what you have been doing at home. Thank to those of who sending in pictures of schoolwork and completing the tasks set. It's been good to see the brain power is being used in your stories, science and maths work. I'm always impressed to see how creative you are being alongside the schoolwork whether it's learning to play the ukulele, crocheting, sewing, art or cookery. It's those fun activities which will continue to ensure that we have smiles on our faces in these difficult times. I will continue to ensure that the work for Thursday and Friday is of a more practical nature, using some of the skills we have taught since September. Please carry on sending in what you have done, even if it is of activities not set for class. Many thanks and stay safe and if you have any problems let me know.

Mr. Youngs

Photos from home learning



Daisy has made a mythical creature linked to our writing.



Tom made a boat on Monday and tested it to see if it was waterproof.



Luke's birdfeeder for the RSPB bird count



Ellis's science experiment to prove how nutrition and water travels up a plant.

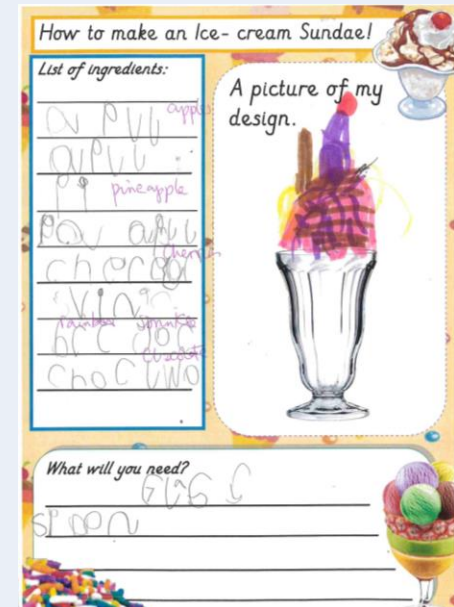
WOW OF THE WEEK

EYFS: This week's WOW work goes to Erin for her fabulous story. Miss Griffith had the pleasure of listening to Erin read it to her this week. Erin has worked really hard on her sentences and has remembered to include story telling techniques like 'Once upon a time'. She has also spent time creating beautiful pictures to go alongside her writing. I think she should be very proud of herself!



Year 1: Jake has been creating bookmarks as part of Wellbeing Week, he has designed each one based on people's favourite colours and included their names. He has also added tassels so that the reader doesn't lose their space in their book.

Ida has created a recipe for an ice cream sundae. It looks delicious Ida, yum.



Year 2: Miss Lollover has awarded the wow work this week to Madison who has been working really hard in the bubble, especially on her writing.

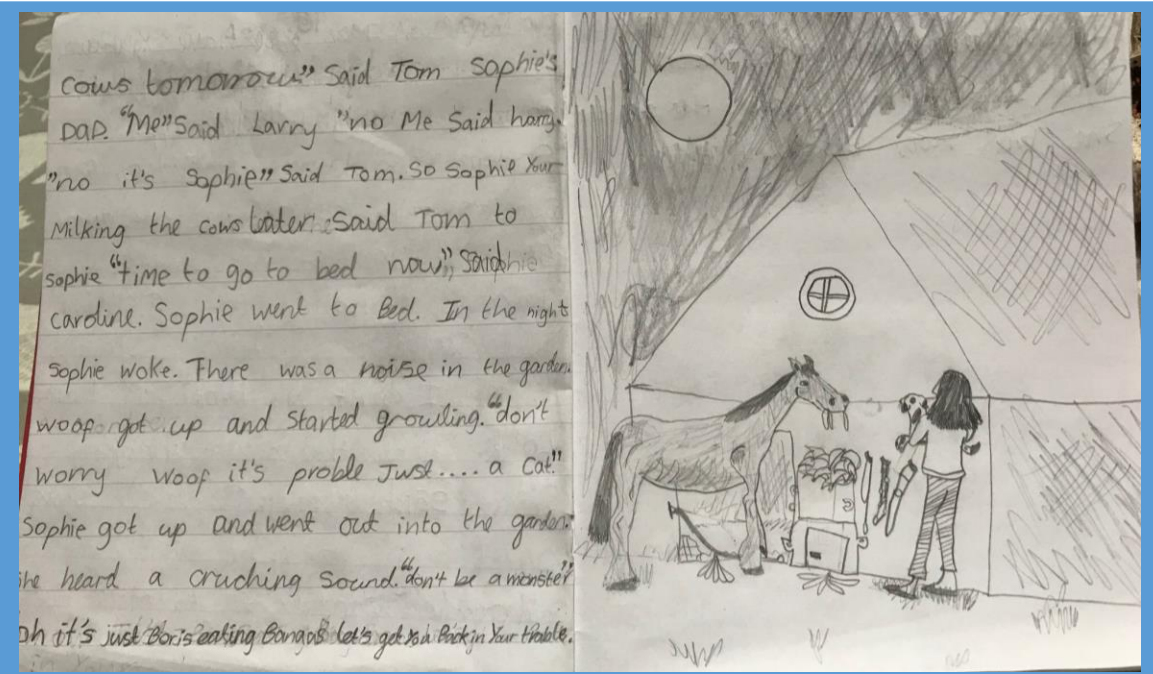
She has written a wonderful story called The Ghost that Spoke. She pulled together all of the things that Y2 have been focusing on; planning her story using a story map, using adjectives to describe the characters, taking great care to use correct spelling and punctuation and taking pride in her presentation.

Monday 21st January The dead person that spoke
Once upon a time there was a ghost who lived in ghost village. Early one morning he went to pick a dead person. "Hans off!" said the dead person. "Was that you?" whispered the ghost to his dog. "No it was the dead person!" "Ahhhh!" screamed the ghost and he ran and he ran as fast as his legs could carry him.
He came to a market where his mother was selling apples. "Why are you running so fast when the sun is shining so bright?" said his mother. "First a dead person spoke to me next my dog spoke to me said the ghost all out of puff." "Ha that's in possible!" said the apple. "Ihhhh!" screamed the ghost and he ran and he ran as fast as his legs could carry him.
An ill he ran to a field where there was a cat. "Why are you running so fast when the sun is shining so bright?" said the cat. "First a dead person next my dog after that an apple spoke to me." "Ha that's impossible!" said the orange. "Ahhhh!" screamed the ghost and he ran and he ran till he came to a castle where he met a hot dog king sitting in his rocking chair. "Why are you running so fast when the sun is shining so bright?" said hot dog king. "First a dead person next my dog after that an apple finally a orange ha that's impossible!" said hot dog king. Then the ghost went with his head hung down all the way home. The hot dog king rocked by hand fourthly back and fourthly.
How silly to think that a dead person could talk! then there was a long silence. Then the rocking chair spoke. "Who ever he is of a talking dead person eneway?" The end.

Year 3: This week, the wow work goes to Qetarie for his amazing volcano. Qetarie has based his model on a real volcano and has included some wonderful facts about this volcano on his model. You can see in the picture how much attention to detail he has and how much effort he has put in. Well done Qetarie, it is truly amazing to see.



Year 4: This week's WOW work goes to Miriam. Miriam has been working extremely hard at home with all her learning and has even created her very own book about ponies! The book is pages long and includes her beautiful illustrations. We were very impressed with the dedication that this project must have taken. Amazing job Miriam!



Year 5/6: These are bird feeders made for the RSPB big bird watch. They look fantastic, they were handmade by the children and then hung in gardens. Recipes were then written for English. I'm sure the birds appreciated them.



NOTICES

PARENTS EVENINGS

Parents Evenings will be happening on 31st March and the 1st April. We will be sending out a Poll so that you can select a time and then we will send you a link for your virtual meeting.

TIMESTABLE ROCKSTARS!

Monday sees the introduction of Times Tables Rockstars here at Avanti Gardens.

Mrs Underwood and Mr Youngs will be joining forces to launch to staff, children and parents via a recorded assembly on Tuesday. A letter with further information and log in details will be sent out before half term.



EXERCISE BOOKS

If you would like some exercise books for your child's home learning, we have a selection which you are welcome to collect. If you would like to, please email avantigardens@avanti.org.uk to express an interest. We have a limited supply so will be able to inform you whether there are still books available.

SCHOOL LUNCH PAYMENTS and FREE SCHOOL MEAL APPLICATION DETAILS

When school returns, if your child requires a school lunch, then payment must be made in advance.

It is possible to top up your school lunch account in advance daily, alternatively, you will be able to make block payments, i.e. termly or weekly.

If your child requests a school lunch and their account is showing an overdue balance, we will contact you and ask for either a payment or that you provide a packed lunch.

To ensure you are ready for the return to school and the new system, we would ask that you check your Arbor school meal account and clear any outstanding monies as soon as possible. Should you be unable to clear the outstanding balance in full, please contact the school office.

We understand the difficulties that some families are facing in the present economic situation, and should you feel that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, we urge you to make an application. The details are below:

If your child is in Year 3 and upwards and you think that your family might be eligible for Free School Meals/pupil premium, there is a page on Bristol City Council website which provides all of the information you need and allows you to apply for your child to receive Free School Meals/Pupil Premium:

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/free-school-meals>

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 there is a paper form which you can print, complete and return to the school office.

[Free School Meal form for Reception, Year 1 or Year 2](#)

We can then forward this to the Council for checking. If you do not have access to a printer, please ask the school office and we will print a copy for you.

Thank you.

HOUSES COMPETITION

Please submit by **3.00pm Wednesday 10th February 2021.**

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

Community PROJECT

The green ribbon is the international symbol for mental health awareness.

Wear a green ribbon to show colleagues, loved ones or simply those you walk past that you care about their mental health. It can also be worn in memory of a loved one.



Lets all stick together
and help each other. It
will be worth it in the
end...




Just remember
sunshine
storm
unend

*There's a dark cloud
covering the great sun
you are. After it lifts,
you'll be shining.*

The children at Avanti Gardens School will design & create positive quotes and kind messages for people in our community which we will display using green ribbon around our local area with care e.g. in your windows, on your gate, on school railings and in shops with permission . .

LOCKDOWN MENU FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL

Here is the menu for school meals prepared for our lockdown bubbles. Next week will be Week 3.

 Avanti Garden School Lockdown   GOVINDA'S					
	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

Take Care of yourselves!



We Miss You All

To all of the children and families,

Just a quick note to say how much we miss you and how excited we are to welcome you back.

We can't wait for that day! Stay safe!

From all the staff at Avanti Gardens School.



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TALL
and be
PROUD.
Be
YOURSELF,
you are
AMAZING.

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