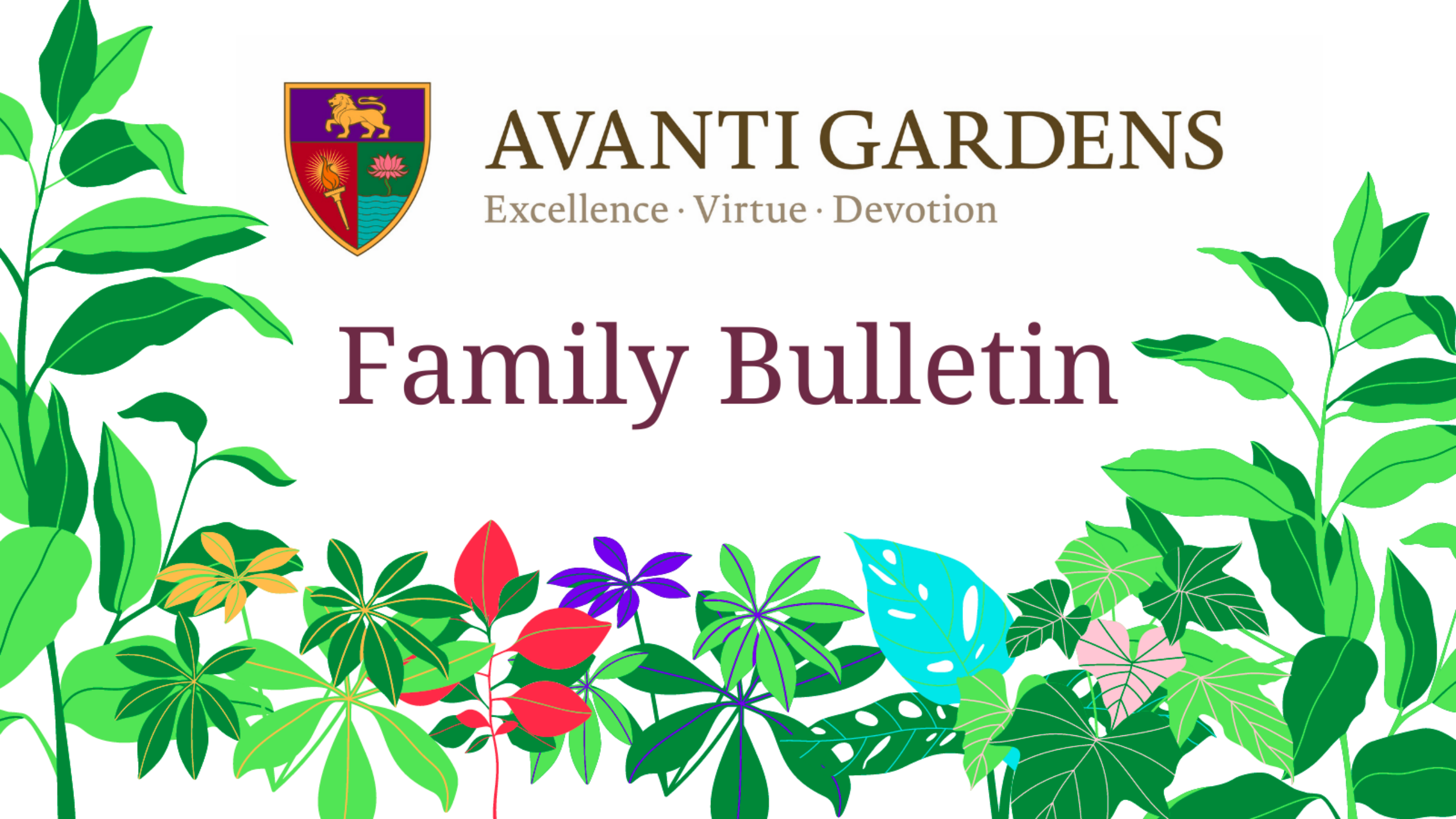




# AVANTI GARDENS

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## Family Bulletin





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# Avanti Gardens Family Bulletin

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :

Dear Families,

I hope that you had a safe, relaxing and reenergising half-term break. It was lovely to wave to a few of you around Eastville Park whilst I walked my dog.

Earlier this week, the Prime Minister announced his roadmap for the easing of national lockdown: Stage 1 outlines the full re-opening of schools from 08.03.21. You will now have received our full plans for re-opening, which can also be found on our website. Our updated risk assessment will be sent next week.

The team and I at Avanti Gardens are excited to welcome all pupils back to school. There has been a lot of site development throughout the lockdown; we can't wait to see the children's reaction to some of our new learning spaces. Until the 8th March, AGS will continue to provide remote learning for all pupils, whilst continuing to open for those families classed as key workers or vulnerable.

You will see on the next page a summary of our plans to ensure we prioritise pupils' wellbeing, safety and reintegration over the first few weeks when pupils have returned. The staff and I can't wait to welcome all pupils back safely and have lots of exciting plans.

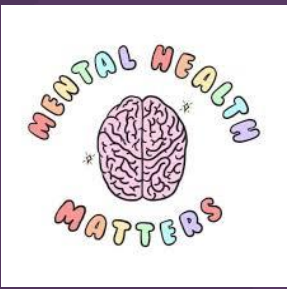
I would like to thank our families for their continuing support and thanks. I wish families a safe, restful and relaxing weekend.

Yours Faithfully,  
Mr Milum



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# WELCOME BACK



The staff at Avanti Gardens are so excited that we will be welcoming back all of the children on Monday 8th March. We are aware that our children may have had different experiences of lockdown and want to ensure we are supporting their mental health and well-being.

On our first day back, we will be having a well-being day. This will give the children the opportunity to settle back into the school environment. During the day we will be spending time: talking to each other, sharing any worries or feelings we may have, completing team building games, re-building relationships with both adults and peers and many other well-being tasks. We will also be having daily PHSE lessons for the next 2 weeks, working through a recovery curriculum; processing the impact that Covid 19 has had on our children. Look out for pictures in future bulletins of our well-being activities.



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# CLASS UPDATES

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## RECEPTION

Well done Reception on a great first week back. You have started off Term 4 wonderfully.

In English we have begun to learn a new story, The Three Billy Goats Gruff. I am very excited to hear you all tell the story together when we are back in.

In Maths we have begun to look at 9 and 10 and have started to compare numbers up to 10. I was very lucky to see Otis' colourful representations of 9 and 10.

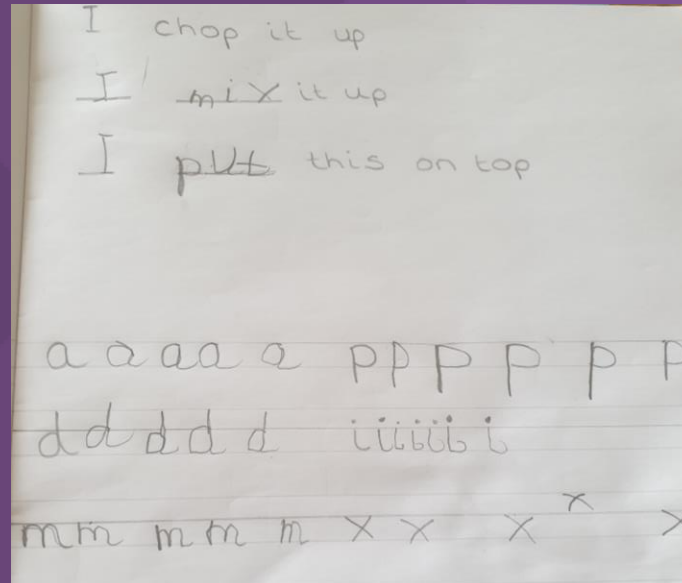
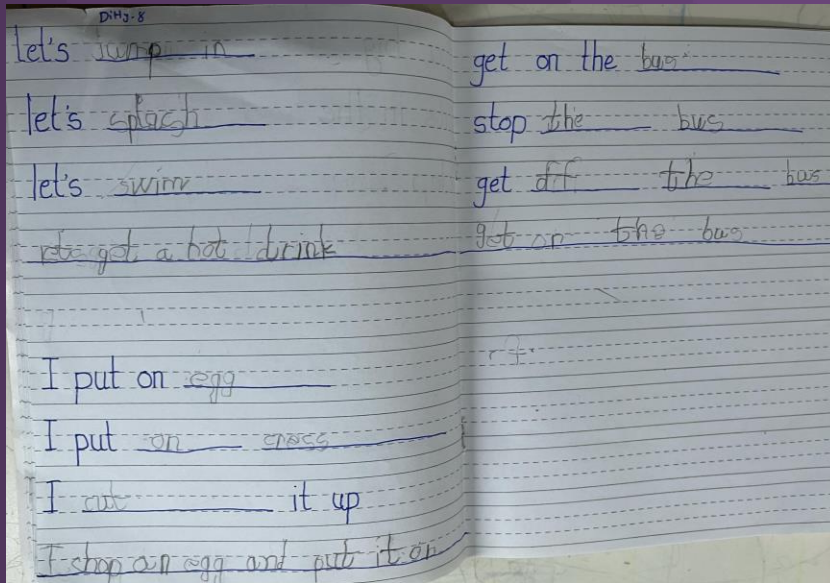
We started our new topic this week, Why are Carrots Orange? We began to explore the fruits and vegetables that we have in our houses. Miss Griffith has begun to prepare our fruit and veg shop in the classroom ready for when you all return.

It has been very lovely to catch up with you all this week and I cannot wait until we can all share our fabulous learning back in the classroom.

*Miss Griffith*



## Photos from home learning



Hrihaan and Frankie have been working hard to complete their ditty's. They have both shown great care with their letter formation.



Frankie really enjoyed math's this week and has ordered her numbers up to 10.



Hazel thoroughly enjoyed the topic lesson and was very focused on her drawings of the vegetables in her house.

## DAFFODIL

Welcome to Term 4 Daffodil class! It's been lovely to hear what you have all been up to during half term. It is safe to say a lot of pancakes were eaten! We have started off this term with instruction writing in Literacy, using bossy words to write a command as well as using the connective 'because' when writing excuses. I know that Edei enjoyed writing commands this week and putting them around the house.

In Science we have started off the term by planting seeds, I have planted some cress seeds whilst Jake and Wulf have been in the garden pulling up weeds. Duke also showed me the different bulbs and seeds he has and is planning to plant.

Our topic this term is 'Celebrating our Planet' and Year 1 have been very busy helping to sort out their recycling at home. It is lovely to hear all your ideas of how we can celebrate our planet once we return to school.

I'm looking forward to celebrating World Book Day with you all next Thursday, and our live story time will be at **9.30am**. Please click on the Google Meet link that is displayed on the banner of the Google Classroom.

To help with our topic, please could you collect up your recycling to bring into school when we return on 8th March, we are after any boxes, yogurt pots, plastic containers as we will be exploring how to reuse our waste to create musical instruments.

*Mrs Osborn and Mrs Underwood*



Photo from home learning  
Wulf's number bond challenge.



Beautiful Daffodils  
made by our  
children in school.



# SUNFLOWER

Hello Sunflower families,

It has been wonderful to speak to you all this week and hear all about your half term antics. It's also been heart-warming to hear how excited you all are to return to school on 8th March. We simply cannot wait to see you!

Our classroom looks a little different to how it used to - it's now *even* better! I will add a video to our class folder next week so that you can see what it looks like inside before you return.

We've had another fantastic week of home learning. In Literacy, The Colour Monster has been helping us to write about feelings using all the tools in our Super Sentence Toolkit. In Maths, we have been exploring the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, as well as making and finding shapes in our environment.

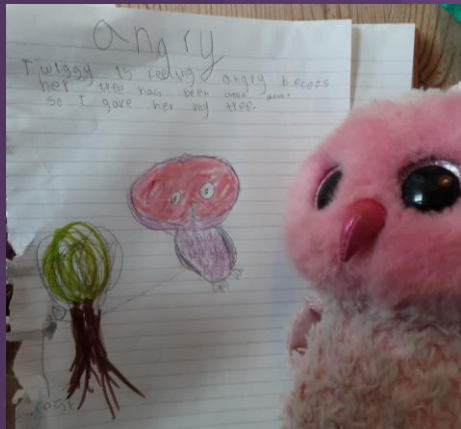
In Phonics, we have been revising our Set 3 Sounds for reading and spelling and have been working together on Red Words. There will be more of a focus on Red Words next week.

We have been introduced to our new learning in Topic and in Science. 'City Farms' and 'Plants' are wonderful areas of learning and when we return to school, we will be rolling up our sleeves and doing lots of planting and practical activities. I can't wait!

## Photos from home learning

See you soon!

Miss Roberts



Elsie's writing



Exploring 2D shapes



Milla's 3D Shapes



Robin's maths





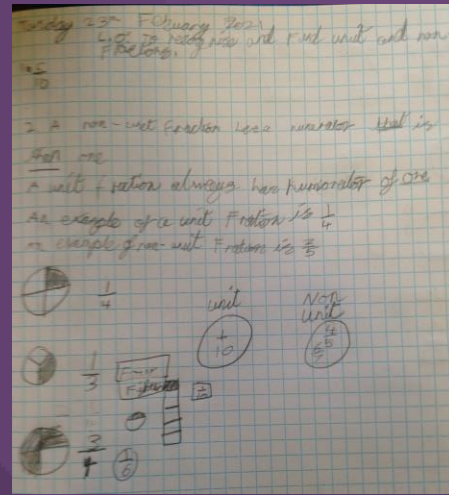
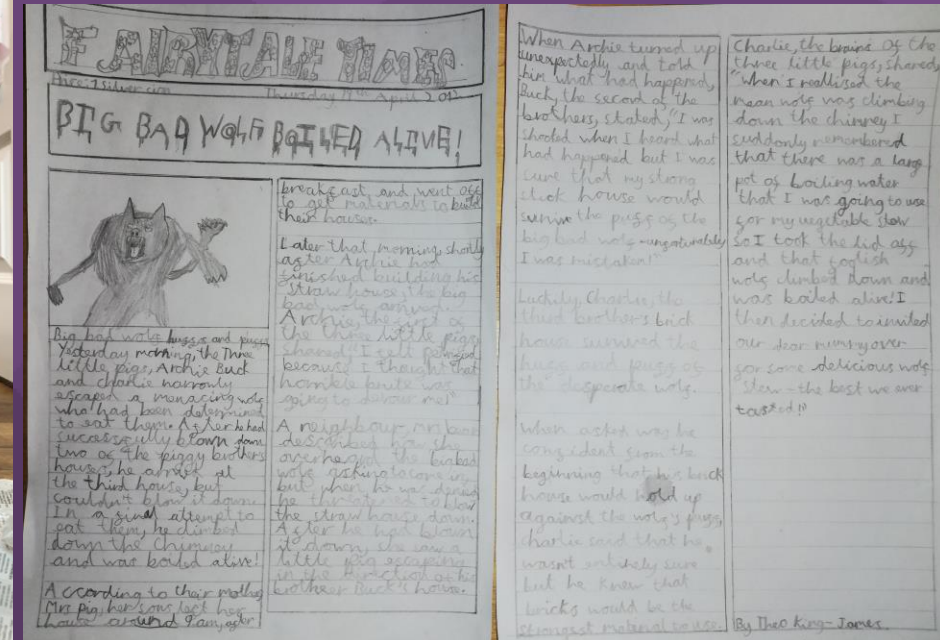
Hello Foxglove Families,

Foxglove class have been busy this week exploring lots of new learning. In maths, we have been learning about fractions. In science, we have begun to think about where electricity comes from and we started our water cycle topic by learning about bodies of water. In English, we have been reading a shortened version of George's Marvelous Medicine and engaging with the text.

It has been great to hear from all of you about what you got up to during half term and hear how so many of you are looking forward to being back to school soon. Mrs Painter has enjoyed looking at your amazing work that you have been getting up to and is very excited about seeing everyone in the classroom again in a couple of weeks.

Miss Silverthorne and Mrs Painter

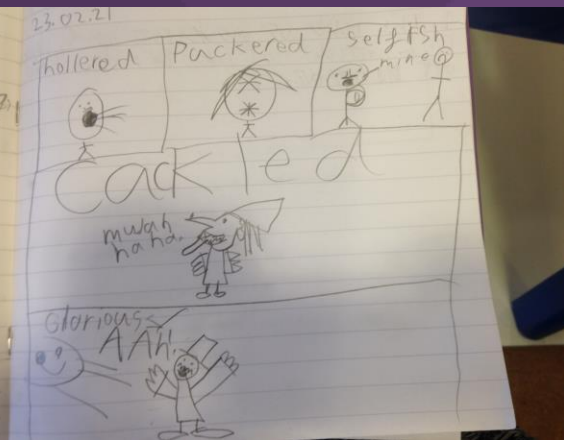
Photos from home learning



Nicolle's Maths Work

Zed dissecting an owl pellet

Wonderful news report from Theo



Edward's Writing

# SNAPDRAGON

Dear Families,

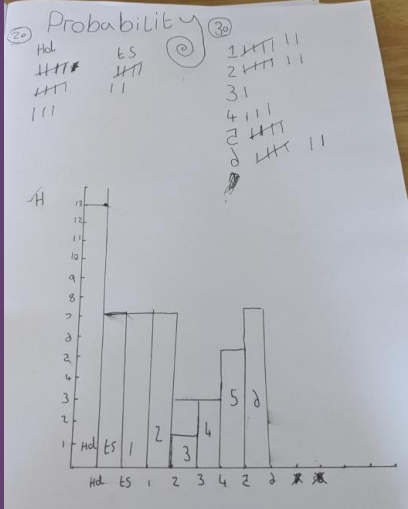
The end of home schooling is near, just one more week. I can't wait to welcome the children back to class and move towards that much-needed normality. Thank you for your continued support with completing home schooling and supporting the school in these strange times. On Thursday, it is World Book Day, normally in school we would be celebrating this by dressing up and doing a variety of different activities. Even though we aren't in school, I would still like to celebrate this, the work set for Thursday will be based around reading, that will be uploaded in the normal way. At 9:30 there is a Google Classroom meet arranged, it would be great to have as many children on it as possible, if they want to dress up that's great, if they can have their favourite book with them it will enable us to have some book based fun. Many thanks and stay safe and if you have any problems let me know

Mr. Youngs

## Photos from home learning



Tom has grown crystals at home for a science experiment and has built a model of Taj-Mahal.



Daisy's probability maths - she carried out an experiment rolling dice and then graphed the results



Daisy's pottery dog - she designed, sculptured and then painted.

# Top Stories

News events from around the world... and beyond

***It was like a scene from a Hollywood science fiction blockbuster! A spacecraft hurtles towards a Red Planet at over 5km a second....***

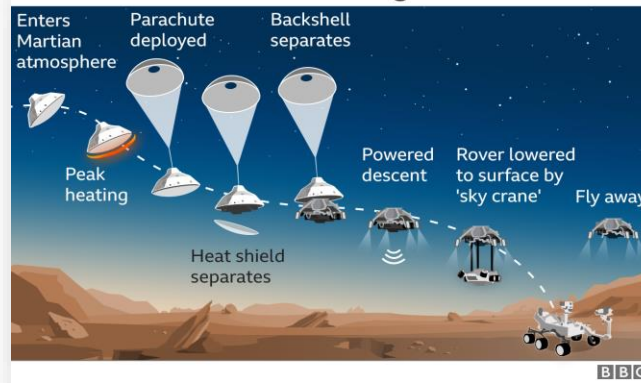
The NASA Perseverance Rover safely landed on Mars on the 18th February 2021. The American Space Agency released stunning footage showing the rover plunging through the planet's atmosphere before landing on the surface of Mars. Perseverance had many cameras on board, seven of which were dedicated to recording the landing itself. The footage is crystal clear, showing Mars' terrain and colour.

We hope you all managed to see this. If not, then here is the link: [Watch the landing here...](#)

The footage starts with the Perseverance's parachute deploy, which helped slow its descent. Its heat shield is then separated to allow the camera facing downward to give people their "first look" at Mars' surface. The rover landed at Mars' Jerico Crater. Scientists believe the area was once flooded with water and was home to an ancient river delta—and it could be one of the most ideal places to find evidence of ancient microbial life. How fascinating!

Their imagery represents vital feedback for engineers as they look to improve still further the technologies used to put probes on the surface of the Red planet.

## Nasa's Perseverance landing on Mars



## Mars footage...

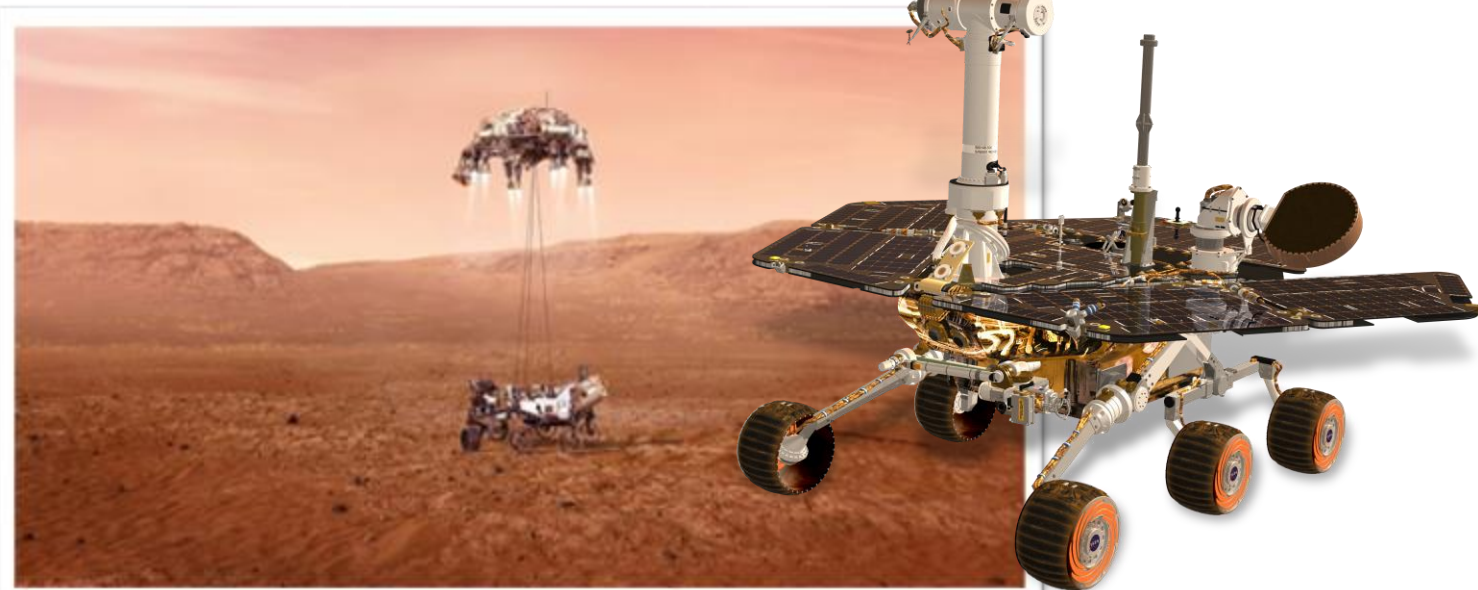
*One of the engineers involved with the ambitious voyage said: "This really is the surface of an alien world - and we've just arrived."*



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**Are you interested in space? Do let us know!**

Why don't you find out some fascinating facts about MARS and send them into us? Or create your own video or artwork representing the landing or the surface of Mars....



# Coming up next week....

A selection of [free audiobooks](#) are also on offer here!

## **World Book Day Thursday 4th March 2021**

World Book Day is a charity on a mission to help change children's lives by ***making reading together and reading for pleasure a habit for life.***

This is the 24th year that the event has been held. The day is also acknowledged globally in over 100 countries across the world.

The aim of the event is to ***encourage more children to discover the pleasures of books*** and reading by providing them with the opportunity to have a new book of their own. The charity, along with National Book Tokens Ltd, offers a staggering 15 MILLION £1 book tokens to children nationally (one for nearly every child under the age of 18 in the country). We will let you know more about how you will get the tokens next week!

Sharing stories together for just ten minutes a day will encourage ***a love of reading and it's fun for everyone!*** You can read together anywhere and everywhere, from breakfast to bedtime! In the park, on the train, on the sofa, on a plane – reading and sharing stories can happen anywhere at any time.

***Please do send us photos for our new library display!***

At Avanti Gardens, each class will plan its own special events for World Book Day! Watch out for news on Google Classrooms from Monday next week.

It would be **AMAZING** if you could all create a picture, model or even dress up as your favourite book character for the day!



# IT'S WORLD BOOK DAY!



# WORLD BOOK DAY

4 MARCH 2021

**More information in Monday's Assembly!**

You're invited to...  
**Scholastic Live World Book Day Event Week!**



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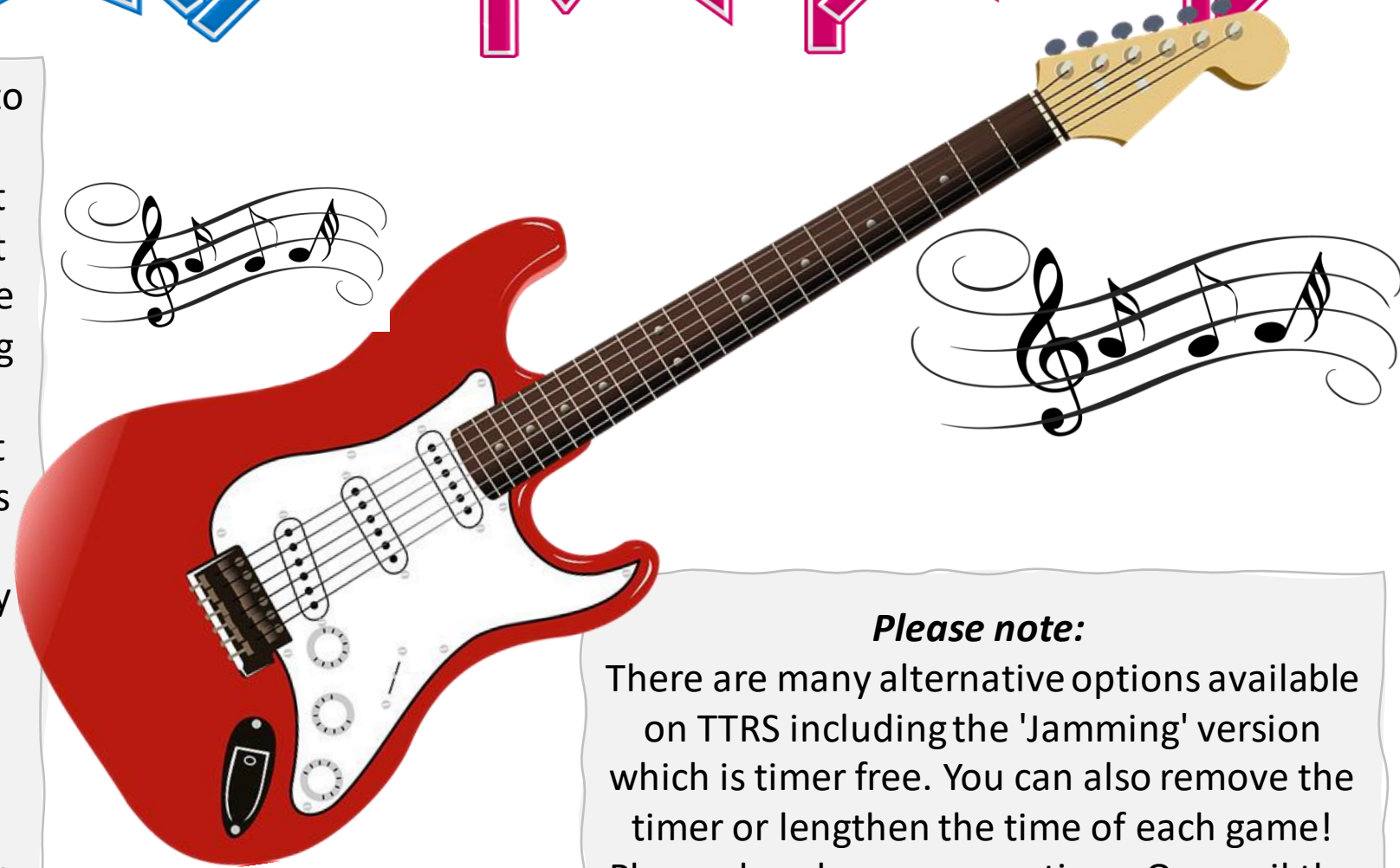
# TIMES TABLES

# ROCKSTARS

We do hope that you now all have access to Times Tables Rock Stars.

This is an additional tool that we have put in place to support times tables fluency at home and at school for example: It may be used as a homework focus for one evening per week or as a quick 5-minute morning 'warm up' activity or even a 5-minute wet play activity in school. It is not intended as a teaching tool – it is solely for practice. We hope that the children will really enjoy challenging themselves and beating their own scores each time.

This format has very successfully boosted times tables recall speed for hundreds of thousands of pupils over the last 8 years in over 16,000 schools - both primary and secondary - worldwide. Let's Rock!



***Please note:***

There are many alternative options available on TTRS including the 'Jamming' version which is timer free. You can also remove the timer or lengthen the time of each game! Please do ask us any questions. Or email the TTRS helpdesk here:

[support@mathscircle.com](mailto:support@mathscircle.com)

## WOW OF THE WEEK

EYFS: This week the WOW work goes to Zezere. He has been working really hard at learning all his sounds and blending them together and has shown great progress and improved confidence. Miss Griffith cannot wait to have him in her phonics lessons. Well done Zezere.

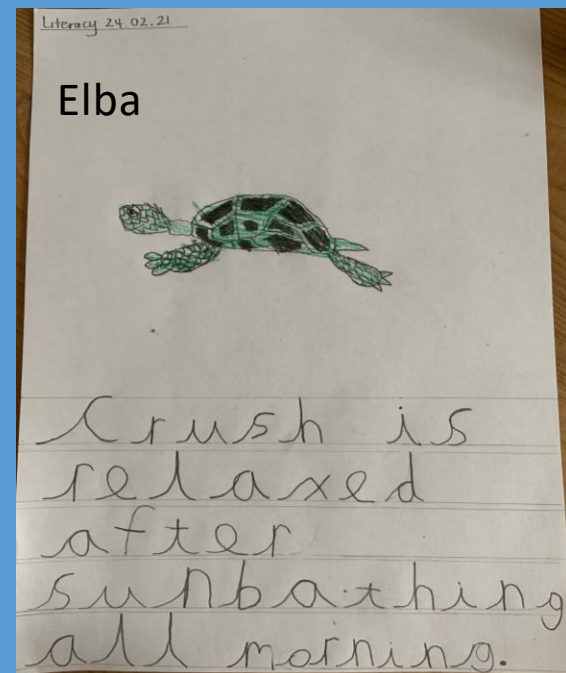
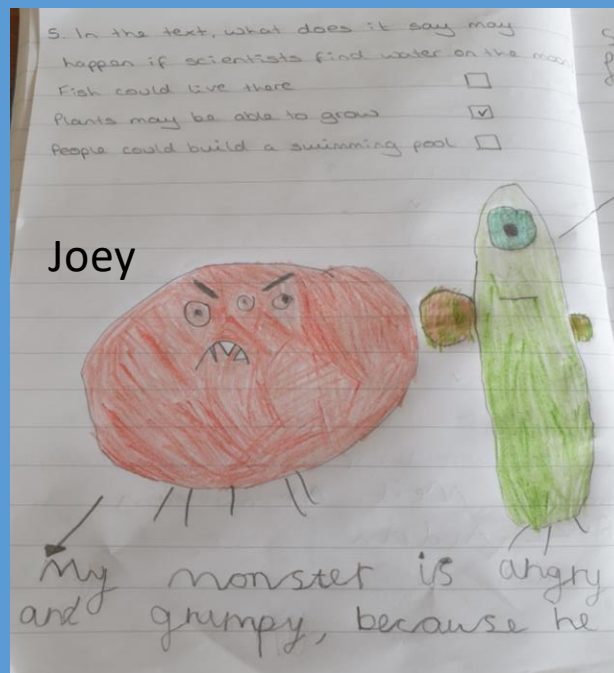
Hussayn has been using his cutting, folding and sticking skills to create a 3D shape. He showed great determination when undertaking this task. Well done Hussayn.



Year 1: Phoebe spent the day in the woods this week where she was looking for signs of Spring, she spotted a Monkey Puzzle tree and collected some of the leaves, showing me them on our video call. Phoebe also collected some bits of wood and told me about the markings, noticing that one looked like a Rainbow. Phoebe has planned what she is going to use the wood for, to create a house for her toys.



Year 2: This week's WOW work come from Joey and Elba. Both have been putting in so much effort with all of their home learning. This week they have really shone in Maths and Literacy. They have been using all the tools in our Super Sentence toolkit to write wonderful sentences about The Colour Monster. They have really focused on using correct punctuation, fantastic letter formation and pre-cursive handwriting to write interesting sentences that make sense! They have also been exploring 2D and 3D shapes around the home and outside in the garden. Fantastic work super stars!



Year 3:  
Louis is wow work of the week for Year 3 in Science. He has created an amazing diagram of the plant and has really paid close attention to the details. Well done Louis on labelling correctly all the different part of a plant. Louis has picked to describe the function of the flower. Which part did you describe?



Year 4: This weeks foxglove's WOW work goes to Kaya. Kaya has just begun to go back to school in the keyworker bubble and the staff were impressed by her behaviour and work. This week they explored the life cycle of a flowering plant. She gets the wow work for creating an amazing picture of daffodils sprouting. Well done Kaya!



Year 5/6: This weeks WOW work goes to Martha. She has shown great attention to detail, linking her art to the science topic on how plants grow. Excellently detailed root structure and a good visual representation of the stages of how plants grow.





## **NOTICES**

### **PARENTS EVENINGS**

Parents Evenings will be happening on 31st March and the 1st April. We shall be sending out Polls next week so that you can select your ten-minute online slot with your child's teacher.

### **ONLINE SAFETY AT HOME**

Below is a link to useful information about keeping your children safe online.

[DfE guidance to parents and carers regarding online safety at home](#)

### **PHOTO PERMISSIONS**

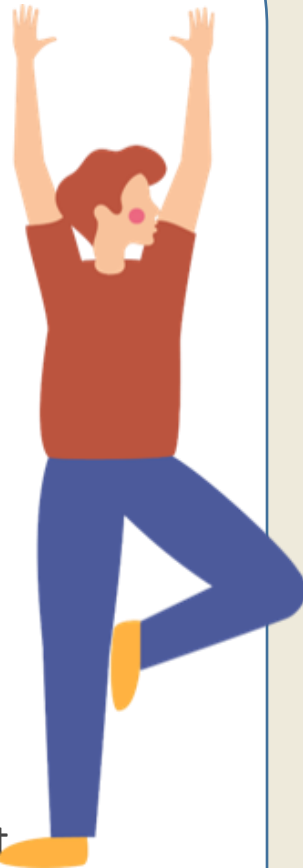
We are updating our photo consent forms to better reflect our use of photographs. We shall be sending out a permissions form next week. Please take the time to confirm your preferences.

### **RUGBY**

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See you on March 8th!

We can't wait to  
welcome you all back!

# LOCKDOWN MENU FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL

Here is the menu for school meals prepared for our lockdown bubbles. Next week will be Week 2.

 <b>Avanti Garden School Lockdown</b>   <b>GOVINDA'S</b>					
	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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– **Freephone 0808 2000 247**

**NSPCC** 

**NSPCC FGM helpline**

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If you need advice or information about female genital mutilation or are worried about a child at risk you can contact us 24/7.

FGM helpline (24 hours a day / 7 days a week, free from a landline) 0800 028 3550

(Run by the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, NSPCC)

NSPCC FGM Email: [fgmhelp@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:fgmhelp@nspcc.org.uk)

NSPCC Website: [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)

NSPCC Text helpline: 85888 (this service is free and anonymous)



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Anyone can ring First Response if they are concerned about a child or young person or if they think they need support.

First Response can help in different ways including:

- Providing information, advice and guidance about services to help families.
- Making a referral to the Early Help team who can provide support to children, young people and families.
- Making a referral to a social work team.

Young Carer Support- Are you worried your child is a Young Carer?

Bristol Young Carers Website

<https://www.carerssupportcentre.org.uk/young-carers/>

Or speak to Mrs Blackwell in school for accessing support for your child

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