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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :
Dear Families,

It has been my pleasure during this four-day-week to see children excitedly come back to school on Tuesday ready to learn and keen to enjoy time with friends. I am grateful this week to our pupils for their focus on 'zen corridors' to keep our school calm and safe during transitions to lunch and break – keep up this good work everybody.

We continue to promote a love for reading at Avanti Gardens – it is so important that all of pupils can read well so that they can enjoy the full breadth of the National Curriculum and grow into independent learners. The team and I are extremely grateful for the support families provide the school and your pupils in hearing readers each night. I'm also happy to see our children using our library, enjoying the bright new space and books on offer.

The school are helping to raise funds for the COVID crisis in India. We want to help as much as we can and will be raising as much as possible to support the Lotus Trust in their 'Help India Breathe' campaign. In critical times like this, any amount given would be gratefully received.

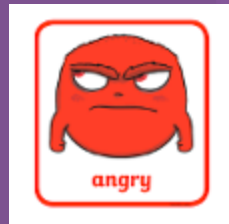
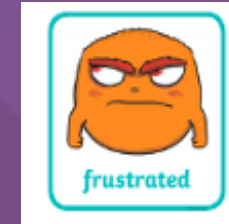
I wish you all a restful and enjoyable weekend. The team and I look forward to an enjoyable week ahead.

Yours Faithfully,
Mr Milum



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Next week is Mental Health Awareness week and the theme is Nature.

“Nature is so central to our psychological and emotional health, that it’s almost impossible to realise good mental health for all, without a greater connection to the natural world.”

Mark Rowland- Chief Executive- Mental Health Foundation.

In support of Mental Health week, we will be having a daily time to take part in some mindfulness. The children will be taking part in some mindfulness activities each day with a nature theme to raise awareness of how important our mental health is. We can't wait to share the pictures with you.



DAFFODIL

I hope you all had a lovely Bank holiday; it was lovely to hear what the children had been up to. This week we have been busy innovating our story by changing the setting and the characters of Monkey See, Monkey Do. The children are beginning to think of their own settings and characters and showed great determination in describing these using the **Power of three**.

In Maths we have been learning about arrays, looking at columns and rows, see if you and your child can spot any arrays at home!
In Science we have been on an environment hunt for signs of Spring around the school grounds. The children created a Spring collage together as a class. Thank you to Sid for being this week's weather monitor.

Don't forget Pirate Day in Year 1 will be Thursday 27th May.

Mrs Osborn, Miss Silverthorne and Miss Rollason



SUNFLOWER



Hello Sunflower families,

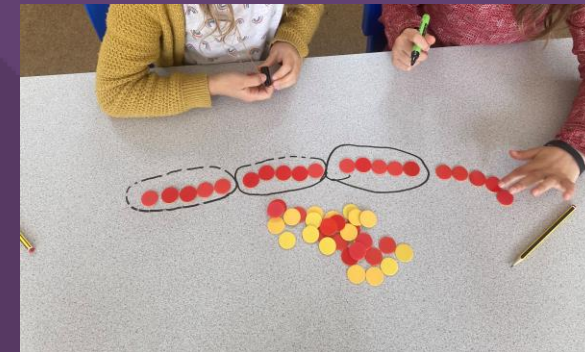
We have had a great week in Sunflower class! This week the children have excelled in their writing. We have been re-telling our class story of The Magic Paintbrush in the past tense AND including noun phrases in our sentences! All the adults in the class have been so impressed by the childrens' stamina for writing. They should all be so proud of the work they have produced. We have now started to innovate our own version of the story, with main characters originating from Hogwarts to Jamaica!

In Maths this week we have been introduced to sharing and grouping of an amount to make equal groups. This has led to the introduction of the division symbol – how exciting! The children have all demonstrated a really good grasp of this concept by using counters and pictures to show grouping and sharing.

Our Science lesson this week was an in-depth look into avocado seeds. Each house group had a go at germinating the stone with tooth-picks and suspending it over water!

In our 'How Can I Help To Save Our Planet' Topic, we looked at how agriculture is contributing to the deforestation of the Amazon Rainforest. The children were very passionate about how we can encourage others to be more aware about where and how their food is sourced. We created posters and plaquards to 'Save the Amazon' through a focus of what we eat. The children produced some fantastic work!

Miss Roberts and Miss Line

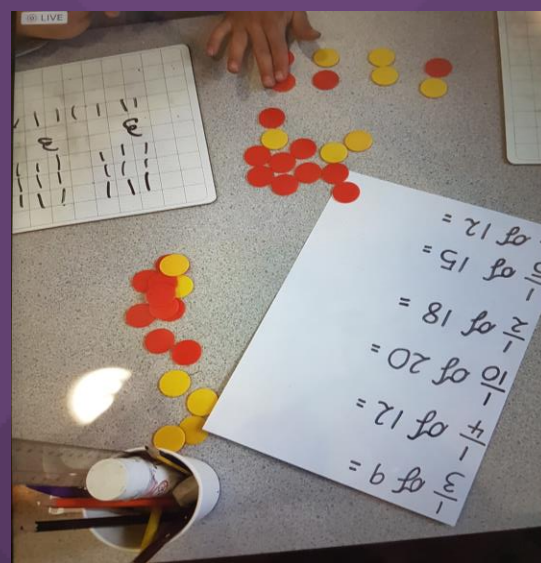
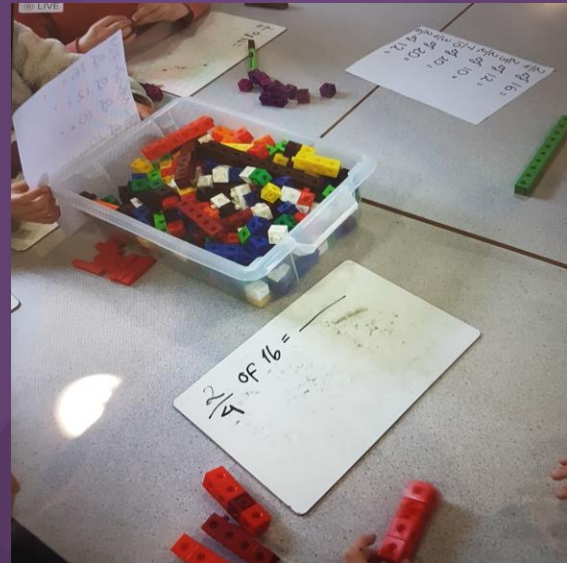
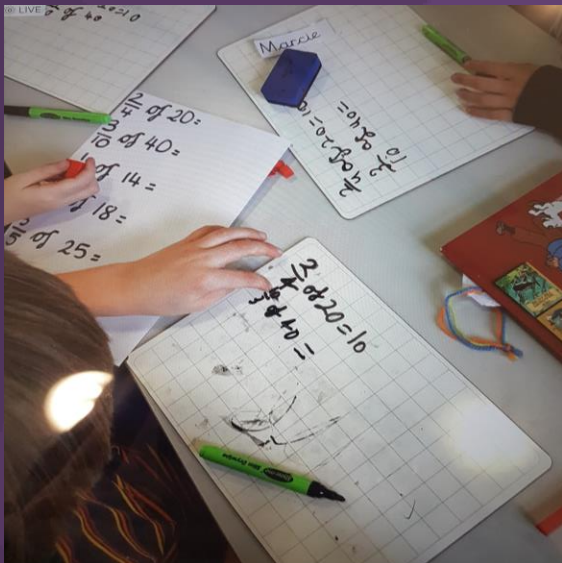


Dear year 3 children and families,

This week in writing we have started to create and plan our own stories. We have been following the structure of a conquering a monster narrative. The children have used the ideas and skills they have learnt from the story of The Cobbler of Fishponds and put them into practice. In science, we have continued on our journey of being dieticians. This week we looked at what constitutes a healthy diet and which foods we should be eating during our mealtimes. They designed their own healthy meal making sure to include all the essential nutrients a human needs to function.

In Art, we time travelled back to the Stone Age and had a go at creating some cave art using only the natural resources that we could find around us. The children were very creative and used the stones and rocks to create dust and to extract colours from plants and flowers.

Have a lovely weekend
Miss Butterfield-West



FOXGLOVE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with great sadness and a heavy heart that I leave Foxglove Class in the capable hands of Mrs Blackwell and Miss Silverthorne.

I will miss the children enormously, but I must now devote my time to writing Children's picture books.

Thank you all for your kindness and support whilst I have been here, at school.

In English, the children have been writing their own innovations of a story by Pie Corbett called Elf Road.

We called our story Elfin Road to bring some local geography to our fantasy stories.

In Maths, we have continued to learn about decimals by applying our knowledge to pounds and pence. We have been counting, ordering, comparing and estimating using money as our theme.

Mrs Painter

Foxglove Music Class



SNAPDRAGON

Dear Families,

We have had a good week in Snapdragon class, the children have really impressed me with their fraction knowledge in Maths – they have remembered how to add fractions brilliantly. Next week we will be moving onto subtraction, multiplication and division.

Our English this week has been based around Aesop’s Fables, we have looked at the characters and the structure of the fables. I have had to role-play several different creatures. Hopefully, my acting skills were up to scratch. Next week the children will be writing their own fable. I look forward to seeing their imaginations in overdrive.

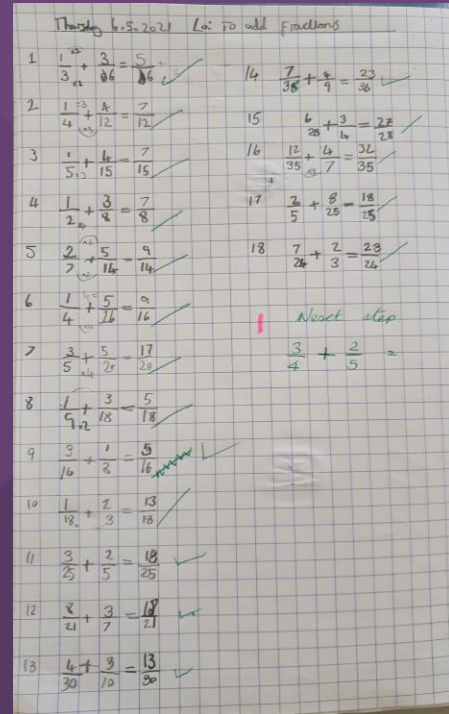
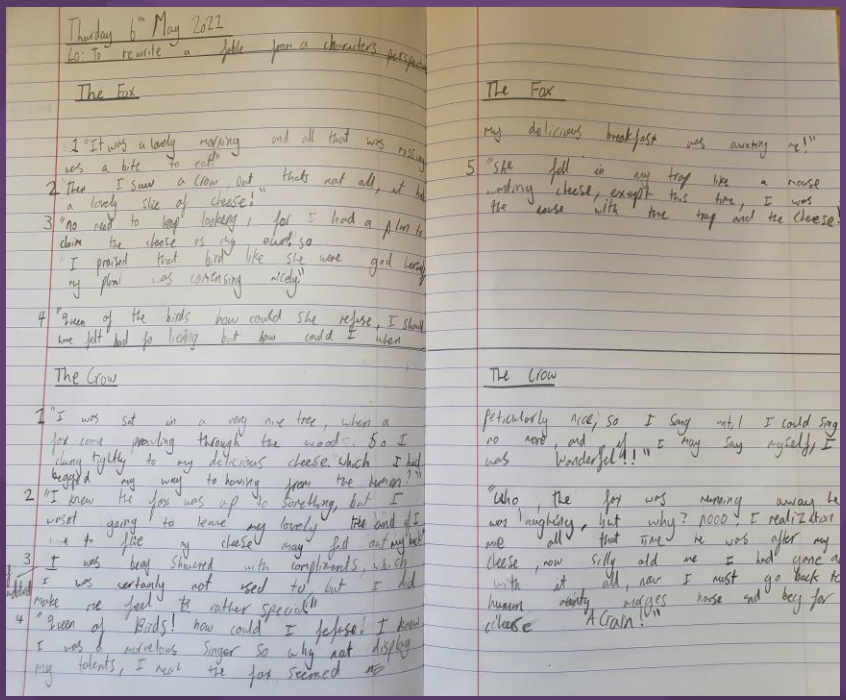
Science has seen the children investigate planets and start researching facts about them. Friday will see the children starting to play either the cornet or trumpet in music, I’m looking forward to seeing their efforts, I am also taking part and am going to be trying improve my musical skills.

In term six the children are going to be having swimming lessons, please look out for a letter asking for your child’s swimming confidence/ability.

P.E. days are now on Thursday, please make sure that appropriate footwear is worn.

Thank you for all your ongoing support. If you have any problems, please let me know.

Mr Youngs



WOW OF THE WEEK

EYFS:

Charlie: Charlie has been very resilient and enthusiastic about his learning this week. He sat accessed the writing table independently and decided to write a postcard to his grandma, using the sound mat to help him. He also impressed me with his fabulous number formation. Well done, Charlie!




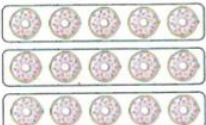
Year 1:


This week goes to Leopold, who has shown great perseverance in his Maths learning. He has been confidently using counters to create arrays.

Wednesday 5th May 2021
LO: to make arrays

1 Build arrays to represent the pictures then complete the sentences.

a  There are 2 in each row.
There are 3 rows.
 $\underline{2} + \underline{2} + \underline{2} = \underline{6}$
There are 6 altogether.

b  There are 5 in each row.
There are 3 rows.
 $\underline{5} + \underline{5} + \underline{5} = \underline{15}$
There are 15 altogether.

c  There are 2 in each row.
There are 2 rows.
 $\underline{2} + \underline{2} = \underline{4}$
There are 4 altogether.

Year 4:

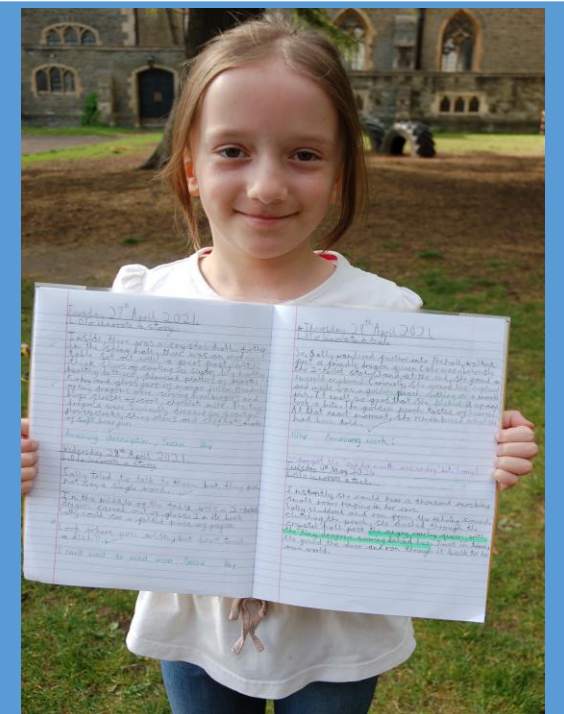
Our WOW Work!!!! this week goes to Sasha for her amazing story writing skills and her incredible imagination.

Wednesday 5th May 2021
L.O To innovate a story ending.

Amazingly, two very strange things happened after Sally reached home. First, Sally planted the stone inside of the peach. It grew into a beautiful tree with peaches that glowed with all the colours of the rainbow. Her mother said that the fruit tasted sweeter than starlight itself. Secondly, poor Sally never found the door again even though she walked up and down Elgin Road many times. At school, they said that Sally was always lost in her daydreams. She dreamed of crystal halls, fantastic feasts and emerald cupboards. Sadly, that other world Sally never found her way back again.

✓ Your writing is outstanding, Sasha!
Absolutely brilliant.

5.hp



Year 5/6:

Sania is the wow work. Sania has used great imagination in giving the animals from Aesops Fables human characteristics. She used great imagination and humour when retelling the fable. Fantastic work.

Thursday 6th May 2021
L.O To rewrite a fable from a characters perspective.

fox

I was walking one bright morning rather hungry I was. My brilliant nose led me through the woods in search of something to have for breakfast. Suddenly, there, up in a tree I saw a black winged creature. I think it was a crow. I didn't want to eat the crow. What caught my attention was in the black feathered creatures beak. A yellow jewel. NO, it was some cheese. I had to eat it. Oh crow, you are so beautiful! How charming of you eye! I'll bet your voice is as pretty as you are! I said that dumb creature opened its beak to show off its voice. Smart me, when it opened its beak the gorgeous yellow piece of cheese fell straight into my mouth. I ran away laughing.

crow

It was a beautiful morning. I was sitting in a tree holding a piece of cheese I've found earlier. Then out of nowhere I heard a voice. What a weird orange, puffy tailed creature. I think it was a fox... Not sure... I wanted to just ignore him but then he started talking to me. Oh what wonderful compliments he gave me. The last thing he said was about my voice. How wonderful my voice probably is. I opened my beak to sing. Oh no! My cheese fell out a second after my beak opened. My beautiful yellow property fell right into the fox's mouth. He ran off laughing. Poor me.

SPORTING CHANCE

Hello everyone,

We hope you have all had a good week and a smooth start to term 5 in school. We are well underway with our new topics for each class, the children have been really focused and engaged on their ball skills (EY and year 1) and athletics (yr 2-6). Yoga continues to go well with all year groups, the KS1 children particularly love the story led yoga and the older children love the sense of challenge in learning new postures and the chance to reflect and relax!

Year Reception (Friday) - Ball Skills - Today we focused on bouncing the balls in pairs, playing a simple bouncing game over a target. We then did some bouncing relays. Yoga today was fantastic. Our PE champion was Frankie.

Year 1 (Friday) - Ball Skills - working on more coaching and throwing this week, the children were tasked with working in small groups to play a simple throwing and catching game. Our PE champions were Zoya (excellent lining up and team work) and Wolf (for being calm throughout yoga and focusing on his stillness).

Year 2 (Monday) - Athletics - Bank Holiday!

Year 3 (Tuesday) - Athletics - We worked on the javelin throw today, working mainly with tennis balls to start with and then developing our technique to introduce the foam javelins later in the session - really impressed that some of the children with transfer of weight already! Our PE champions were Theo (extremely engaged this week and exemplary behaviour) and Emil (with a huge 22m throw).

Year 4 (Wednesday) - Athletics - A jumping session this week...we recorded our personal best 'speed bounces' and then explored the standing long jump. We completed the session with a contest against our partner. Our PE champion was Jonah.

Year 5/6 (Thursday) - Athletics - We focused on javelin today - the children had time to explore the technique with tennis balls, then nerf rockets, finishing with javelins. Our PE champion was Lola.

Be the best version of you...

Mr Gill, Mr Evans, and Mr Dyer

SPORTING CHANCE

After School Sports Clubs

We have only 1 space remaining at the EY/KS1 club and the KS2 club is now full. If anybody wishes to book the last space for the EY/KS1 Wednesday club then please get in touch. [Book online](#) or call **01172 440007**

REMINDER - PLEASE COULD WE ASK ALL PARENTS / CARERS OF CHILDREN AT CLUBS TO BE PROMPT FOR PICK UP. THE CLUBS PICK UP TIME IS 4.45PM - PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE AT THIS TIME.

Half Term Sports Camp

We have now launched our programme of events for the half term holiday. We will be hosting another Holiday Sports Camp at Mangotsfield Primary for children aged 5-11 years (year 1-6). We are open from 830am-330pm each day.

Here is the schedule...

Tuesday 1st June - Survival Skills

Wednesday 2nd June - Multi-sports Mayhem

Thursday 3rd June - Tag Rugby Showdown

Friday 4th June - Multi-sports Mayhem

For full details please visit the events page of our [website](#)

Housepoints review:

ROBINS	EAGLES	SEAGULLS	OWLS
120	107	135	107



Well done to all children for the house points they have received over the week.

NOTICES

INSET DAY

Our next inset day is on **Friday the 21st of May.**

All Parent Town Hall. Virtual Meeting via Zoom

This event is for the full community of parents, inviting every parent to attend and explore the vision and goals for the school.

Tuesday May 24th 4:00 – 6:00pm

Link for booking.

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUvdO6hpzsiGdJEpCBchE4nLGtoLa19f5> O

FURNITURE SALE

We still have some of our old wooden class furniture for sale. These make perfect little work-stations at home for homework and projects. We have a variety of sizes suitable for all age groups.

If you would like to buy one, or more, please call the office to arrange a time for collection.

£5 - Chairs £20 - Single Desks £30 - Double Desks £40 - Art tables



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographers will be visiting on Monday 24th May. Further information on how you can order copies will be provided soon.

NEXT FRIDAY - Friday 14th May 2021

Pyjamarama is all about getting children excited about reading! Pyjamarama is a mass-participation fundraising initiative by BookTrust in England and Northern Ireland, where children donate £1 to wear their pyjamas for a day whilst celebrating the bedtime story through a host of fun activities.

The children will spend the WHOLE day reading, acting, hot seating, listening to stories, enjoying and sharing stories from different cultures, all in the comfort of their pyjamas, and donate £1 to BookTrust to help all children have access to stories and to reading.



Money raised by Pyjamarama will help us in our work to make sure every child gets a bedtime story. For example:

- £25 could provide 15 pre-school children living in women's refuge centres with their own book pack
- £50 could provide 6 families from deprived communities with additional support through their children's centre to develop a reading habit



We know that not everyone has PJs, or may not want to wear PJs, but still want to join the fun. That's great! That's what Pyjamarama is all about - everyone getting together to have fun.

So instead of PJs, why not encourage children to wear a colourful T-shirt or special socks, or wear a Pyjamarama sticker from your fundraising pack? It doesn't matter what it is, we just want you to have fun and to spend the day enjoying stories



Help India Breathe



Give India a sigh of RELIEF!

LET'S HELP TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW COVID NURSING CARE FACILITIES IN INDIA

HOW YOU CAN HELP

01

Donate generously at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/indiabreathe



02

Share this campaign with your friends and family

03

Become a 'Help India Breathe' ambassador and initiate ways to raise the funds in your community

An Urgent Response to India's COVID Crisis by



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Next week is Week 2



WEEK 1

MONDAY

- ★ Mediterranean Tart (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Vegetable Bolognese (Ce, G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Apple Crumble with Custard (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Baked Pesto Penne Rigate (Ce, G or Gf* Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Bean and Cheese Quesadillas (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Pear Crumble with Custard (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake (Ce, G or Gf* Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Burrito Wraps (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*)

- Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- ★ Seasonal Salad Bar

- Peach Crumble with Custard (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

TUESDAY

- ★ Potato & Pea Curry With Naan Bread (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Vegan Meat Ball Baguette with Tomato Sauce & Cheese. (Ce, G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Assorted Sandwich (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Flapjack (G, Vg)

- ★ Vegetable Coconut Curry with Rice (Vg)

- ★ Vegan Hot Dogs with Mixed Vegetable Medley (G, Ce, S, Vg, M)

- ★ Assorted Sandwich (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Chocolate Mousse (Mk)

- ★ Creamy Roasted Tomato Soup with Malted Bread (Ce, G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Lasagne (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Assorted Sandwich (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Flapjack (G, Vg)

WEDNESDAY

- ★ Vegetable Stir Fried Rice (Ce, S, Vg)

- ★ Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake (Ce, G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Orange Jelly (Vg)

- ★ Mexican Nachos with Chilli & Cheese (Ce, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Stir Fry Noodles (Ce, G, S, Vg)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Coconut Jam Cake (G, Vg)

- ★ Vegan Sausage with Mash & Gravy (Ce, G, S, Su, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Mexican Bean Wrap (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Chocolate chip shortbread (G, Mk or Vg*)

THURSDAY

- ★ Mac & Cheese (G, Mk)

- ★ Fajitas (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Assorted Sandwich (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Chocolate Mousse (Mk)

- ★ Cauliflower Broccoli Cheese (Ce, G, M, Mk)

- ★ Roasted Vegetable Soup with Bread (Ce, G or Gf*, Vg)

- ★ Assorted Sandwich (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Strawberry Jelly (Vg)

- ★ Arrabiata Pasta (Ce, G or Gf* Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Chickpea & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice (Vg)

- ★ Assorted Sandwich (G or Gf*, Mk or Vg*)

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Carrot Cake (G, Vg)

FRIDAY

- ★ Margarita Pizza & Chips (G or Gf*, Ce, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Vegetable Biryani (Vg)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Ice Cream (Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Margarita Pizza & Chips (G or Gf*, Ce, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Spiced Couscous with Roasted Vegetables (G, Vg)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Ice Cream (Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Margarita Pizza & Chips (G or Gf*, Ce, Mk or Vg*)

- ★ Vegetable Pilaf Rice (Vg)

- ★ Jacket Potato with Daily Topping

- Seasonal Salad Bar

- Ice Cream (Mk or Vg*)

WEEK 2

WEEK 3

- Option 1: ★
- Option 2: ★
- Option 3: ★
- Special Dietary: ★

Salad bar, fresh breads & soy yoghurt with fresh fruits are available every day!

Vg* Vegan option available. Allergens: G = Gluten, G= Gluten Free, M = Mustard, Mk = Milk, Ce = Celery, S = Soya, Vg = Vegan)

175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR

175 days to spend on family time, holidays and other appointments

190 School days for each child's education	10 days of absence	19 days of absence	29 days of absence	38 days of absence	47 days of absence
180 days of Education	171 days of Education	161 days of Education	152 days of Education	143 days of Education	134 days of Education
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
Good Best Chance of Success		Serious Concern Penalty Notice Considered		Severe Risk Prosecution / Court Action	

w/c 04.05.21	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
94.8 %	Bank Holiday	97.6 %	95.6 %	93.1 %	93.1 %



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domestic abuse support services

Next Link domestic abuse telephone help lines are **open 10am – 4pm Monday to Friday**
0800 470 0280

Help is also available **24 hours a day, 7 days a week** on the **National Domestic Violence Helpline**
– **Freephone 0808 2000 247**

NSPCC 

NSPCC FGM helpline

Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

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

NSPCC Website: www.nspcc.org.uk

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



0117 903 6444

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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