



## **Avanti Gardens Family Bulletin**







MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL: Dear Families,

As I take a moment to reflect on what has undoubtedly been a challenging year for the country, our community and our children, I am filled with pride and admiration for the buoyancy and optimism of our brilliant children.

This week we say goodbye to our brilliant Year 6 pupils. Today we held a goodbye assembly where children sang, shared memories and received certificates for their contribution to our School. We will miss each of them greatly but wish them the best of luck and success in their secondary education – they will be an asset to their new Schools. We look forward to our Year 5 children stepping into their shoes as role models for the school.

I'm sure you'll join me in wishing the best to our staff leavers and thanking them for their hard work this year and previously: Mrs Osborn, Miss Silverthorne and Mrs Stefanovich – all the best in your future endeavours.

On a personal note, I am enormously grateful for the privilege of leading our school within Fishponds, Bristol. It has been a year full of challenges, solutions and opportunities — I have particularly relished getting to know our families and look forward to the progress we will continue to make.

I am grateful as ever for the support we receive from families. I wish each of you a particularly restful summer break to enjoy together after such a challenging year. I look forward to welcoming you back in September.

Yours Faithfully, Mr Milum

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#### **SEND-Family Shetland Pony Riding**

The Avon Centre are delivering some summer family sessions specifically for disabled children over the summer holidays in partnership with the Bristol City Council's Holiday Hub Scheme.

We are delighted to be one of Bristol City Council's "Holiday Hub" destinations for SEND Children and their families this year. Our activities will be a mixture of walking in our beautiful woodland with our Shetland Ponies, learning how to care for them and cooking in the woods and nature walks!

Register your interest using the form on the website. They will be in touch to confirm your booking. Slots will be allocated on a first come first served basis so please get your requests in quickly. Bookings close on July 26th and you will receive your slot via email on the 28th.

For more information you can visit their website: <a href="https://www.avonridingcentre.org.uk/2021/07/ponies-picnics-and-forests/">https://www.avonridingcentre.org.uk/2021/07/ponies-picnics-and-forests/</a>









### SEND- Summer Holiday Guide 2021 - Bristol's SEND Local Offer

Please see the Bristol City Council summer holiday guide for families of children and young people with SEND. In the attached guide, you'll find information about:

- Short breaks for disabled children
   Your Holiday Hub for children who receive free school meals
- Organisations offering things to do for young people with SEND
- Advice and support for parents
- Organisations that provide listings for accessible and inclusive activities.

Over the summer we'll continue to keep the Local Offer website up-to-date with information about:

- Updates from short breaks things to do
- Advice and support
- SEND news

Keep an eye on the SEND Local Offer Facebook page for the latest events and activities with #BristolSENDSummer

Short Breaks are sessions for disabled children and young people, aged 4 to 18 who live in Bristol.

Please contact individual providers for details on how to register and for details of any costs per session. All activities require pre-booking.

Out and About Consortium including <u>WECIL</u>, <u>KHAAS</u>, <u>SENSE</u> and <u>National Autistic Society</u> run regular groups and fun trips for different age groups (aged 5 to 18).

wecil.co.uk/services-support/services-for-young-disabled-people

Email: outandabout@wecil.co.uk

Call: outreach workers on 07835 611 651 or 01179 479 911.

The Inclusion Service (part of Disabled Children and Specialist Service at Bristol City Council) support children and young people to access clubs including out-of-school provision, holiday clubs, sport, dance, drama, Scouts and Brownies and other activities in your local area.

Email: inclusionService@bristol.gov.uk

Call: 01179 038 250.

**Bristol Autism Project** has holiday activities run by <u>FACE</u> for children and young people with autism, their siblings and families. Parents or a trusted adult must stay with children at all times.

facecharity.org.uk/our-work/bristol-autism-project

Email: bap@facecharity.org.uk

Call: 01179 691 938.

Find out more bristol.gov.uk/web/bristol-localoffer/short-breaks-summer-2021





Your Holiday Hub will help rebuild our children and young people's confidence and social skills through play, sport, adventure, and friendship. We aim to make this summer a memorable one for Bristol's children and young people, for all the right reasons.

Activities including sport, drama, and cookery, will be taking place in schools, community centres and open spaces across this city this summer.

#### Who is eligible?

Your Holiday Hub offers school holiday activities for children and young people who are usually in receipt of benefits-related free school meals.

Over 80 organisations and providers in Bristol have already received funding to deliver over 1,500 sessions across the city.

#### Background

The programme is funded by the Department for Education through the Holiday Activity and Food grant.

Bristol City Council is working closely with the Bristol Association of Neighbourhood Day-care, Children's Scrapstore, Feeding Bristol and Fareshare to coordinate a summer 2021 programme of fun and engaging activities for children and young people in Bristol.

We're encouraging more inclusive activities, but please contact providers to check suitability for specific needs or disability.

> Find activities in your area: bristol.gov.uk/peoplecommunities/find-a-holiday-activity







Things to do

Short breaks

Your Holiday Hub

#### **CLASS UPDATES**

#### **RECEPTION**

What a wonderful, sunny final week we have had in Orchid class. I know I speak for all the children in saying that they have thoroughly enjoyed the new garden this week – we have spent lots of time climbing, making mud pies, performing and reading in the sun. We played some parachute and beach ball games on the sunken lawn and have practiced lots of mindfulness and yoga this week.

Orchid class have had a brilliant year and although I have only been teaching them in person since March, I feel very lucky to have been their teacher! They have all made so much progress in their own special ways and are a class full of kind caring and inquisitive children.

I hope you all have a fantastic summer holidays and I look forward to seeing everyone in September!









#### **DAFFODIL**

Dear Daffodil Families,

A lovely sunny final week of Year 1! We have had so much fun exploring the EYFS playground this week.

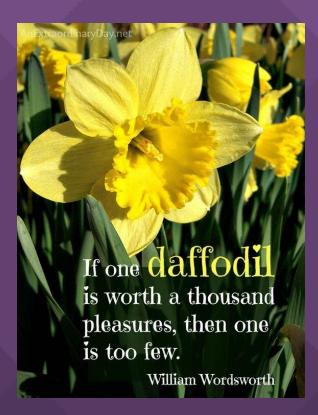
In Maths this week the children have been continuing to learn how to tell the time by exploring 'half past'.

In English and we have been consolidating our spelling skills by reminding ourselves of suffixes such as 's', 'es' and 'ing'. The children loved creating their own dinosaur stories with their puppets and I hope you love meeting their dinosaurs too!

Thank you to all the families for welcoming me into Daffodil class this year, I'm sad to say goodbye but wish all the children the best during their school life!

Mrs Osborn











#### **SUNFLOWER**

Hello Sunflower families,

What a wonderful final week of term it has been, full of sunshine and smiles! A huge thank you to Miss Lollover for coming back and supporting Sunflower Class this week, whilst Miss Jeffries and I had to be at home.

In English, children have written and published their own stories, completely independently. These will be coming home with children today for you to share.

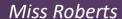
In Maths, we have been consolidating number skills and knowledge through daily challenges and games.

Our afternoons have been spent mostly outdoors finishing handwork projects, playing team games and exploring the new Early Years playground.

It has been my absolute pleasure to be the teacher of wonderful Sunflower Class this year. I would like to thank each of you for your support and continued commitment to your child's education. I am immensely proud of every child in Year 2 for making it through this strange old year with resilience, determination and a continued sense of calm and fun! I know you will share this

pride too. Celebrate your children today – they really are remarkable!

Enjoy your summer together.



#### <u>IRIS</u>

Dear Iris families,

We have had a brilliant yet busy last week of term in Iris Class. This week, we have done a range of different fun activities to celebrate the year we have had.

In English we have been writing our own questions for what we would like to ask a stone age person. In Maths, we have made cakes to consolidate our learning that we did last week on measuring. We then went on to do a Maths treasure hunt, which was really fun. We had to solve the quiz questions to find the next clue.

We have also made scrap books to showcase all the wonderful things we have done over the year.

For our last day of Year 3, we have played a range of different games and really enjoyed a disco before we finished.

The children have done so well this year. Well done to each member of Iris class for their resilience and perseverance throughout an extremely challenging year. Good luck in Year 4 and we hope you have a lovely and restful summer.

With best wishes,

Miss Esti, Miss Sirida and Miss B









#### **FOXGLOVE**

#### Dear Foxglove Families,









We've made it through our isolation Foxglove class- well done! There has been some super online work this week, so well done for continuing to complete your work, even in this heat! This week we have finished our invented stories, focusing on not rushing each section of them. The end results have been really exciting to read. Then we have gone on to think about the best day ever, using time connectives at the beginning of our sentences. In Maths, we've done some great work on fractions and the children have worked really hard recalling their previous knowledge.

What a year! The children of Foxglove have been absolutely inspirational and we feel so proud to have been the teaching team around your lovely children.

As we look back at the work the children have produced over the year, their progress really has been astounding. They are taking so much pride in their work and are really taking the time to apply the new skills and features that we have been learning across all subjects.

Foxglove class are such kind and caring children and really look after each other, celebrating and respecting the differences they all have. We cannot wait to see the progress the children will make next year and know they are in safe hands with Mr Newman.

We hope you have a brilliant and safe summer. Thank you so much to Miss Silverthorne for all her hard work and commitment to all of the Avanti Gardens children, but especially Foxglove class. We wish you lots of luck next year.

Mrs Blackwell and Miss Silverthorne (Miss Williams, Miss Lamb and Mrs Hopkins)









#### **SNAPDRAGON**

Dear Families,

The end of the academic year has arrived and what a year!

The children have worked incredibly hard on learning their songs and reminiscing about all their memories at school. I look forward to sharing them with you, the powerpoint containing all our singing, memories and photos will be emailed to you.

Looking back, I have had an amazing year with Snapdragon Class, they have risen to every challenge put before them with enthusiasm and only the occasional grumble. I have seen perseverance, humour, smiles and a great willingness to learn. I'm proud of the progress the children have made during the year and the self-belief I have seen them gain. The children have shown what a caring ethos they have during the year, looking out for one another and supporting each other both with work and if a friend is upset.

I would like to thank Daisy's mum for firing our pottery creations, the children were delighted to get them back. It was really kind of you to do this. They look amazing.

I wish all the Year 6 children every success at their high schools, I am sure that they will continue to give every endeavour their best efforts and I know they will go onto do fantastic things. I look forward to seeing the Year 5's next year I know they will have fun with their new teacher and give everything their best.

Thank you for your support throughout this year, I couldn't have done it without your and your backing. I hope you have an amazing summer, enjoy the holidays and any time away you have.

Take care

Mr Youngs

#### **SPORTING CHANCE**

Happy summer holidays everyone!

This last year has been eventful to say the least! We have thoroughly enjoyed working at Avanti Gardens School, with the wonderful children and staff. Mr Evans and Mr Gill have been your main teachers this year; I would like to take this opportunity to wish them both well in their future endeavours as both will be moving on from Avanti. Mr Evans is training to become a physiotherapist and Mr Gill is following his Rugby passion with a new role. As a team look forward to working with you again from September. We will do some formal introductions to your new PE staff in the first week back in September.

Year 2 (Monday) - Today we had a musical warm up which the children thoroughly enjoyed! The session focused on striking for accuracy in tennis with a range of choice on the type of shot you could use. The children worked in two teams across the two halves of the sports hall to play 'Texas tennis', using forehand and backhand to strike the ball back to the opposing team with unlimited bounces.

Year 3 (Tuesday) - Today the year 3 class were working on their final session of term and we challenged ourselves with child led session; the children were tasked with designing their own striking games each playing key roles as part of a team. Our PE Champion was Demba for excellent coaching. Well done!

Years 5/6 (Thursday) - We have been concluding our terms' work with some min-tennis matches (doubles) and teaching the children the basic rules for the game and how to point score. Ena was our PE Champion for excellent effort and PE and incredible 'stillness' in yoga.

Year 1 (Friday am) - Mr Windsor was our teacher today for PE and he reported 'bundles of energy' from the PE lesson! Year 1 have been completing their terms' work by working through a carousel of striking and fielding activities including some other multi-skills. This gave us a great opportunity to spot key successes and where we need to focus for next year leading into year 2. A similar session is planned for this Friday. Reception (Friday pm) - We did a carousel activity including sports day activities; target throw, javelin, balance, speed bounce, long jump, and new age kurling. The children really loved the range of activities all in one session. Malaika was our PE Champion for working so well in a group activity.

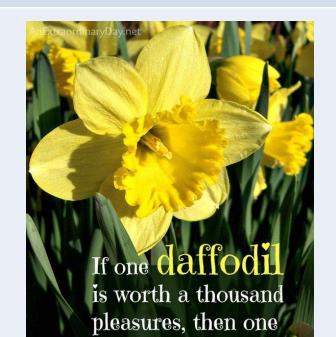
Be the best version of you...
Mr Gill and Mr Evans

#### **WOW OF THE WEEK**

EYFS: WOW work of the week goes to the whole of Orchid class for just being absolutely fabulous! What a brilliant bunch of children they are, and they always put all their effort into any task they are presented with. They play beautifully alongside each other and use their incredible imaginations daily. They will all be wonderful in Year 1!



Year 1: Wow Daffodil Class! Working with you all has been such a joy. Well done for all efforts in learning this year, for all your kindness and for teaching me so much! Happy holidays.



Year 2: This week Liam and Ben have Wowed us with their writing, the wonderful presentation and exciting starts to their stories. We would love to know what happens next.

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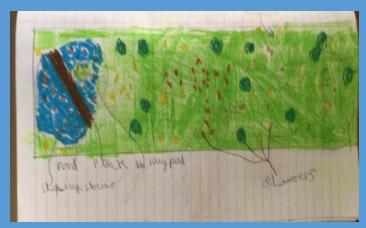
Year 3: Maude: She's been working really hard on her "All about me" book. Also, she has been making really good choices and has been kind and gentle with everyone. She always shows a respectful attitude and has shown amazing behaviour.





Year 4: This week's Foxglove WOW work goes to Ziev. We have had a strange last week in Foxglove class, working from our homes and lots of children have impressed us with their hard work. Ziev has put great effort into completing the tasks we set and has used creative usage of the items in his home to help him. Well done Ziev!





Year 5/6: My WOW this week goes to Year 6 for all their hard work this year. Thank you for all your efforts and hard work. I am sure you will have a fantastic time at High School and give every new experience your best efforts. Well done.



### **Housepoints review:**

ROBINS	EAGLES	SEAGULLS	OWLS
1259	1216	1285	1117









Here is the cullmination of Housepoints from recent weeks. Well done to everyone for their efforts.

## Our New EYFS Playground













# Happy Holidays





We all hope that you have a lovely Summer.

Relax, have fun and re-energise for a new school year.

Look after yourselves and each other, keep smiling and we'll see you all in September.

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM

We remind you that, other than the jumper, items can be purchased from a range of suppliers.

Please find attached a link that we have been sent from Brigade to help with measuring your children for their school uniform. Uniform Measuring Guide Video

Please note we have been advised that the sizes do come up small and so this video will hopefully be helpful.

As advertised the deadline to ensure that your uniform arrives in time for September is 1st August. We would recommend you order earlier than this in case you need to exchange anything items.

#### YOGA ACT AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

From September Kate will be running two separate YogaAct clubs:

Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 for EYFS/Key stage 1 (yrs 1,2) Thursday 3.15 - 4.30 for Key stage 2 (yrs 3,4,5,6)

This is to be able to have more of a specific focus on each age group and here's what to expect:

EYFS & Ks1(Yrs1,2): Engaging yoga stories & relaxation, dance, mindfulness & age specific drama games.

Ks2 (years 3,4,5,6): Yoga postures, sequences & meditation, breathwork, group sharing, drama games, improvisation & devising £5 per child

Please send Kate an email to book your child a place for September.

katepenningkp@gmail.com



#### **SPORTING CHANCE: Summer Holiday Sports Camp**

We have just one 4 days to go until the start of the Holiday Sports Camps this summer. For the first time at HSC we are offering healthy hot lunches as an option for families. We are also working on a programme to deliver bitesize healthy lifestyles session on a daily basis to the children. If you entitled to 'free-schools meals' then please get in touch as there are FREE spaces available at our summer r provision. If you haven't yet booked a place then don't miss out this summer! Please use the link below to book.

https://www.sportingchance-csp.co.uk/events/tag/holiday-sports-camp

#### **After School Sports Clubs for Term 1**

We will begin clubs again from week commencing **13th September** and finish week ending **22nd October** for children of Avanti Gardens School. For the first term we are going to continue our Multi-sports theme for both EY&KS1 and KS2. The clubs will run in the same format as before with a variety of sports/activities throughout the term to give children different experiences. The cost will be £4.50 per session, payable when you book the term (£27.00). Booking multiple clubs? Book 2 clubs and save £5.00, book 3 clubs save £7.50. This offer applies to multiple clubs and/or children in the same family. Please follow the link below to book.

https://www.sportingchance-csp.co.uk/events/tag/avanti-gardens

The clubs will run as follows...

**Tuesdays Multi-sports Club KS2:** a variety of sports throughout the term - examples of sports include; tennis, cricket, rounders, athletics, football, tag rugby, basketball, pop-lacrosse, survival skills, dance, gymnastics, and dodgeball

**Wednesdays Superstars Club EYFS and KS1:** a variety of sport and activities throughout the term - examples of sports / activities include; team building and leadership games, mini-tennis, kwik cricket, rounders, mini-olympics, football, tag rugby, survival skills, dance, jungle gym, and dodgeball.

175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR 175 days to spend on family time, holidays and other appointments							
190 School days for each child's	10 days of absence	19 days of absence	29 days of absence	38 days of absence	47 days of absence		
education	180 days of Education	171 days of Education	161 days of Education	152 days of Education	143 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 19.07.21	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
88.5 %	85.9 %	86.2 %	90.4 %	91.9 %	88.0 %



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 FGM helpline

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: <a href="mailto:fgmhelp@nspcc.org.uk">fgmhelp@nspcc.org.uk</a>

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-

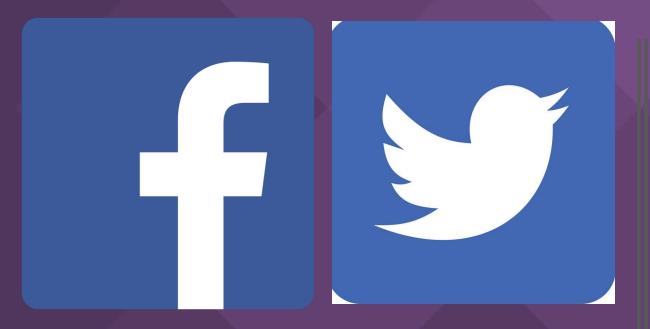
carers/

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

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