



AVANTI GARDENS  
SCHOOL

# Family Bulletin



## Avanti Gardens Family Bulletin

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :



Dear Families,

**What a fantastic week at Avanti Gardens. It has been astounding to watch our Reception and KS1 children perform 'A Christmas Recipe' to different family members this week. We are so proud of all the children that took part. A huge thank you to the EY and KS1 staff for their commitment and hard work to put on such a wonderful show.**

**Our Key Stage 2 children have been working hard to prepare for the Carol concert next week. We are looking forward to welcoming Parents/ Carers for mince pies and hot chocolate on Wednesday 15th December at 3.30pm.**

**Attendance needs to continue to be a focus for us as a school. Please ensure that you are sending your children into school daily on time. The school day starts at 8.45.**

**A reminder to Parents/ Carers that next Thursday (16th) is the last day of Term 2. We look forward to welcoming all children back on Tuesday 4th January 2022.**

**Have a restful weekend in preparation for our last week of term.**

**Yours Faithfully,  
Mr Milum**



Wednesday 15th December

3.30pm

KS2 Parents, come and join us to watch the children perform Christmas Carols with their class.

We will then be serving Hot chocolate and Mince pies in the Dining hall.





# CLASS UPDATES



Dear Orchid families,

It has been a very busy week for Orchid class, full of lots of performing. They should all be incredibly proud of themselves for how well they took part in the Christmas play. I am sure there will be lots of very tired performers this weekend!

In the classroom this week we have been busy tree decorating. They have absolutely loved this activity and throughout the week have continually decorated and redecorated the tree hundreds of times.

They have all shown of their fantastic phonics and reading skills this week. Both Miss Elliott and myself have been blown away by them.

Have a lovely weekend.

*Miss Griffith*







**Hello Lavender families ,**

**This week has been full of singing and dancing as we performed our Christmas play. I am so proud of how enthusiastic they all were and the performances they have given. They have also shown great independence when getting ready for each performance! A very big round of applause for all of the children.**

**The children were very excited on Monday morning to find a Christmas tree waiting to be decorated! They have loved decorating and redecorating the tree. We have also been busy making beautiful decorations to put up in the classroom.**

**In Maths, we have been working on our number recognition and counting objects to ten as the children used tweezers to move cotton wool to match the numbers.**

**Lavender class have continued to improve their writing and phonics knowledge this week writing Christmas words as well as taking on the challenge of writing some longer words.**

**Have a lovely restful weekend!**

***Miss Smith***





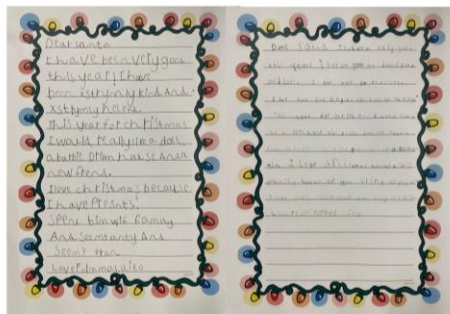
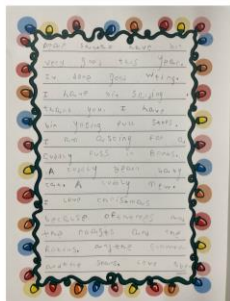
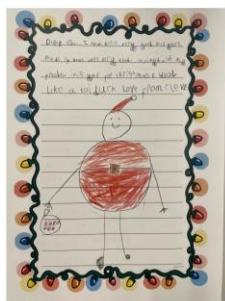
**Hello Daffodil Families,**

**What a wonderfully busy week we have had in Daffodil class.**

**We have enjoyed 4 magical performances of A Christmas Recipe. I am super sure you will all agree that the children worked so hard to learn their dances and all those songs! The robins rocked, the stars shone, the presents performed proudly, and the snowflakes graced us with their delicacy! I would like to say a huge thank you to all the children for making each performance the most special experience. Another huge thank you must go to you, the families of our children. The costumes were amazing, and the children really raised their performances once in them.**

**Back in the classroom, we were lucky enough to receive a visit from our very own class elf this week. He was sent by Father Christmas and had a letter to explain how he has begun watching us ready to report back to him. We have each written back to Father Christmas and have posted them to Reindeer Land. I wonder if he will reply?**

**Please make sure you all have a wonderful weekend,**  
*Mrs Connelly*





**Hello Sunflower families,**

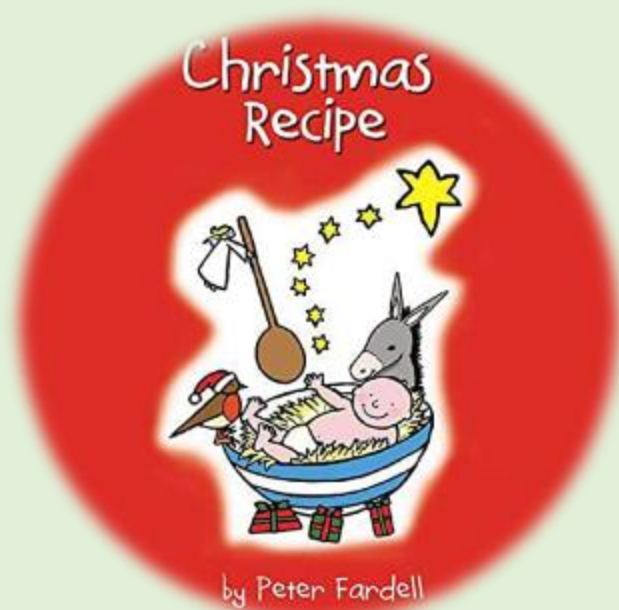
**WOW what a jampacked jolly week we've had in Sunflower Class this week.**

**Sunflower Class put their absolute all into this year's school play and were centre stage in their lead roles. They did an amazingly, wonderful job in acting their parts and I couldn't be prouder of them. They not only remembered their lines but also really got into acting out their characters too. I am sure you will agree that they were all unbelievable! Thanks so much to all the families who supported the children in practicing their lines and that supplied costumes, they looked great.**

**This week in Maths, we have been looking at equal groups and using the multiplication symbol. In English we have written to Father Christmas (or one of his helpers).**

**I wish you all a lovely weekend.**

***Miss Lollover***







## Dear Iris families,

What a busy week we've had in Iris class!

We have been busy rehearsing for the carol concert on Wednesday and we have been inspired by a fantastic afternoon watching the KS1 nativity play. We can't wait for you to hear our beautiful singing!

In Maths this week we have been interpreting and presenting information in pictograms and bar charts and next week we will be looking at tables.

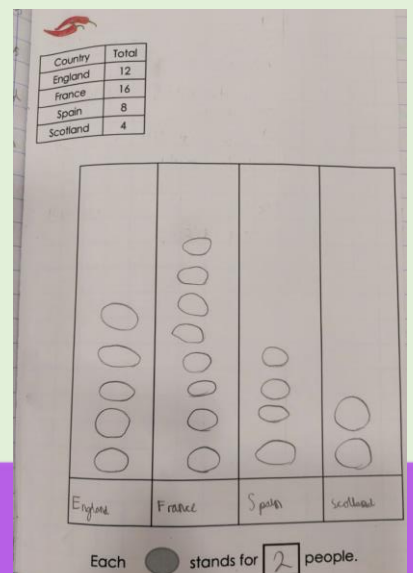
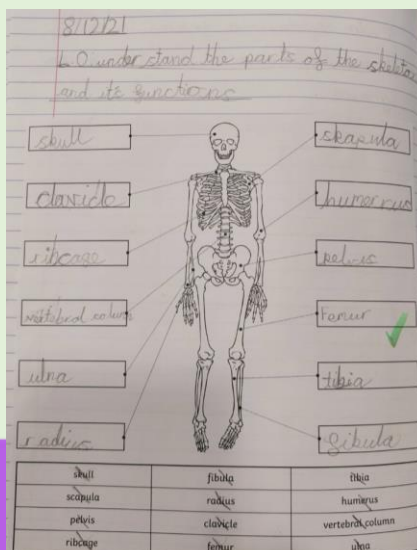
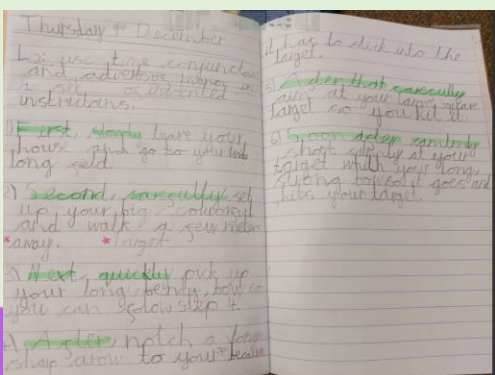
In English, the children have enjoyed writing their own set of instructions using adverbs of manner, time conjunctions and the correct use of a/an. I now know how to do complete a variety of things, from baking a cake to looking after a goldfish!

The children enjoyed learning about the structure and functions of the human skeleton and discussing which bones help support, provide movement and protect.

We have had some yellow and orange bands for reading which is brilliant. Please can you ensure you are reading every day with your child and recording it in their reading record. We will be monitoring this daily.

Have a fantastic weekend!

### Miss Dark







**Dear Foxglove families,**

Our last full week before Christmas! A huge well done to the children for their continued hard work.

In Design Technology the children were finally ready to create their treasure boxes and decorate them! All they need to do now is add their precious item from home.

We had a lovely afternoon on Tuesday when all of KS2 were invited to be the first live audience of the KS1 Christmas Nativity Play! We all agreed that they had done a wonderful job, and it was particularly exciting for those who had siblings performing.

In Maths we have begun to delve into statistics with the children learning how to interpret pictograms, bar charts and tables. We will be continuing this next week when the children will be drawing their own line graphs!

In reading this week we looked at a text about an elderly couple who had won the lottery twice! This sparked a lot of conversation about the lottery and what the children would do if they won. Our word the week this week is 'fortunate', why not test your child to see if they can use it in a sentence?

Have a lovely weekend, and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

*Miss Searle*





**Dear Snapdragon Families,**

I cannot believe we have finished the last full week before Christmas. I've enjoyed hearing the children's singing as they practise in readiness for the carol concert next week.

In English this week we have looked at newspaper reports and the children wrote their own. This ranged from animals escaping from the Zoo through to criminals on the rampage!

The children's creativity has been evident once again this week. In Science they created a new product using resources they could find in the classroom and outside. You can see some of the results below, but I was extremely impressed by their ingenuity.

To finish off our Artwork on sculpting we created Ancient Egyptian death masks out of clay. The children's attention to detail was clear as they carefully carved out the shape and added the appropriate detail.

The children had the opportunity to watch the KS1 nativity on Tuesday which they thoroughly enjoyed. They've seen how high the standard was in regard to the singing and can't wait to show you their own singing skills.

We have had a wide range of reading bands to hand out this week from orange to green. Please can you ensure you are reading every day with your child and recording it in their reading record. We will be monitoring this daily.

With best wishes,

*Mr Newman*



## Avanti PE lessons

I hope you have all had a good week and have enjoyed some of the festivities at school. The children have been entering into the spirit of Christmas over the last week with some festive themed activities. Much fun had by all! We now have one more week of this terms' topics for PE. The children have worked extremely hard this term, we hope to carry this momentum into term 3.

Year 4 (Wednesday) - The class continued their work on attack vs defence - we increased the defenders this week but also gave more space for the attackers to work in. The children really thrived! Marcie was our star of the day.

Reception (Thursday am) - Orchid and Lavender class - The children worked really well this week - they were learning how to aim and throw at a variety of targets (low / high / large / small) Jason was our star of the day for working hard over the last two sessions on his aiming and accuracy of throw.

Year 3 (Thursday pm) - We continued netball working predominantly on small sided games - how to use the space available to retain possession and practicing shooting at targets. Eesha was our star of the day for great shooting in netball.

Year 1 (Friday) - We practiced kicking a ball with accuracy. We focused on range as well as accuracy this week with the very popular games football golf. Our star of the day was Luke for his consistency with kicking technique.



# STAR OF THE WEEK

**EYFS:**

**Orchid: Star of the week is Ada. Ada has shown great focus and effort in her phonics this week. She should be very proud of herself. Well done, Ada!**



Lavender

Our star of the week this week is Laura! Laura has made great progress in her phonics using her knowledge to support her reading and writing! Well done Laura!

Year 1

Our Star of the Week in Daffodils class this week is.....EVERYONE!

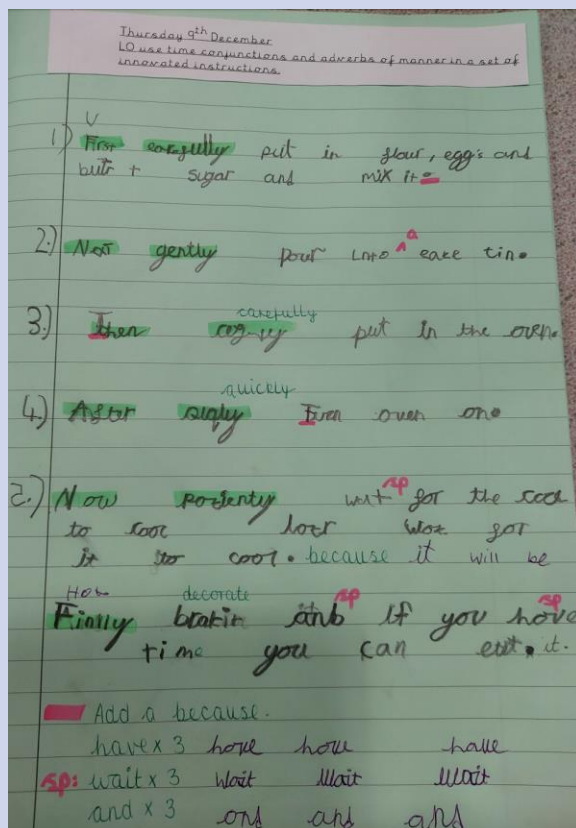
Every child in our class this week has worked so hard to perform such a wonderful show not once, not twice but 4 times! WOW! I am so proud I could burst, thank you Daffodils!



Year 2: Every child in Sunflower class is a superstar this week. They all put their absolute all into this year's school play taking centre stage in their lead roles. They did an amazingly, wonderful job of acting their parts and I couldn't be prouder of them. They not only remembered their lines but also really got into acting out their characters too. Well done to you all!!!



Year 3: Kloe for her brilliant instructions using time conjunctions and adverbs of manner.



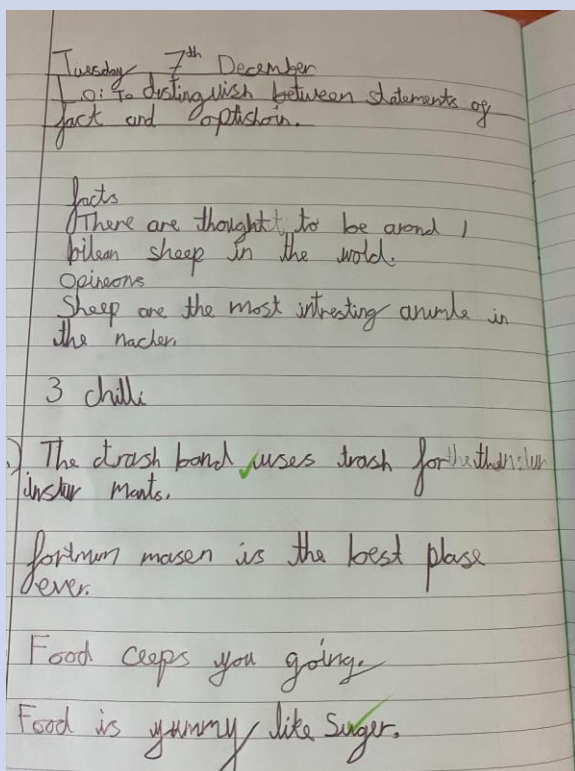


## Year 4: Orla

For working hard to develop a positive attitude towards her learning.



**Year 5/6: Zed for his hard work in improving his handwriting.**



# Notices

## MEAL ACCOUNTS

We would ask all parents and carers to please check that your Arbor meal account is paid in full by the end of term on Thursday 16th December. We will transfer balances (hopefully all accounts will be in credit) from Arbor to our new system Parentpay, ready for the new year.

We will also be sending out your log-in details for Parentpay on Friday 17th December. Once you have received this, please take a few moments to set up your account.

From the beginning of Term 3 in January, you will need to book your child's meals at home in advance, but you will only be able to do this if your account is in credit. Children who are entitled to Universal Free Schools Meals in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 and children entitled to Free School meals in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be able to book without payment.

Many thanks.

# Notices

## CLUBS NEWS



YogaAct is a space where the children can feel safe to share as well as learn skills and techniques to become more resilient & confident. We do this through, song, dance, posture work, improvisation, drama games, awareness techniques, drawing, breathing techniques, meditating, & deep relaxation.

Reception/KS1: Tuesday after school until 4.30pm

KS2: Thursday after school until 4.30pm

Please get in touch with Kate at [katepenningkp@gmail.com](mailto:katepenningkp@gmail.com) to book a place or go onto the waiting list.

Classes will start back on Tuesday 4th January.

## KS2 HOMEWORK CLUB

We will be running a Homework Club on Mondays from 3:15 to 4:00, starting on Monday 10th January. There are 30 places available.

If you would like your child to join please book book slots for the term via Arbor.



## SPORTING CHANCE

A few reminders for you...we have one final week of after school clubs next week before the Christmas break. Christmas and New Year Sports Camp is still available for booking for those who have not secured a place and would like to attend then see details below.



## SPORTING CHANCE

### Avanti Gardens After School Clubs Term 3 & 4 - BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

At Sporting Chance we understand that parents face complex demands, juggling childcare with work and other commitments. That's why they entrust their children in our hands because they know our club provision is affordable, safe and secure. Our clubs offer an entry route into sport with our overall aim being to build relationships, boost self confidence, and allow children to develop their skills. All our clubs are run on a skills focus and include multiple game scenarios in each session.

**Tuesdays Basketball Club Y3-6: (NEW)** Includes skill based activities such as dribbling, passing, shooting, defence and attack strategies. We offer the children the chance to engage in matchplay as part of the clubs and teach them the positions on court and the roles of each player.

**Wednesdays Superstars Club YR-2:** 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.

**BOOK NOW FOR TERM 3&4** <https://www.sportingchance-csp.co.uk/events/2022/01/10/avanti-gardens-after-school-clubs-term-3-and-4>

## SPORTING CHANCE

### Christmas & New Year Sports Camp 15% discount this Christmas. Please use code FESTIVE2021-15

We are excited to announce the launch of the next Holiday Sports Camp at Mangotsfield Primary. We will be open for the following dates...

Christmas & New Year Sports Camps are  
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👉 Monday 20th Winter Olympics

👉 Tuesday 21st Festive Footy

👉 Wednesday 22nd Santa's Survival Skills

👉 Thursday 23rd Merry Multisports

👉 Wednesday 29th Winter Olympics

👉 Thursday 30th Reindeer Tag Rugby

To book a place visit...

<https://www.sportingchance-csp.co.uk/events/2021/12/20/christmas-and-new-year-sports-camp>

### Saturday Sports Club

Sporting Chance run the ever-popular Saturday Sports Club for children aged 4-9 years held at Mangotsfield Primary School. We have two sessions (9-10am for 4-5 years and 1015-1115am for 6-9 years). The club is hosted by Mrs Prosser (Avanti PE teacher) and Mr Williams. We run a variety of activities from week to week including; team building and leadership, survival skills, basketball, hockey, football, dodgeball, cricket, rounders, tennis etc. Check out our website for more information. This weeks' session is a Christmas themed selection of games!

<https://www.sportingchance-csp.co.uk/saturday-sports-club>

## **A MESSAGE FROM OUR WINTER FAIR ORGANISERS**

A huge thank you to everybody who came to the Avanti Winter Fair and made it such a success. It was truly rewarding to see the weeks of organising and planning coming together in a fun and friendly celebration of winter, Christmas and community. We are pleased to announce that we raised a tremendous £2,100 for the school, and the house captains raised just over £120 for their chosen charities. The school funds will be held by the school until a parent teacher association is formally constituted in the new year. More announcements about this, including how to get involved, will be made next term.



## Free NHS app helps you care for your sick child

Are you caring for a poorly child and don't know who to turn to for advice? The HANDi App, developed for the NHS by a team of paediatric experts, provides support to parents/carers and medical professionals looking after children with the most common childhood illnesses. These include diarrhoea and vomiting, high temperature, abdominal pain, chest problems such as wheezing and asthma, and common problems experienced by newborn babies.

As well as providing up-to-date NHS advice on common childhood conditions and how to treat them, the HANDi App has a quick and easy-to-use child symptom checker. The app takes you through a series of questions about the symptoms your child is experiencing and then advises on the best course of action, whether that's to treat at home, to make a GP appointment, or to head to A&E.

Each of the most common childhood illnesses has a Home Care Plan to help you provide the best support for your child.

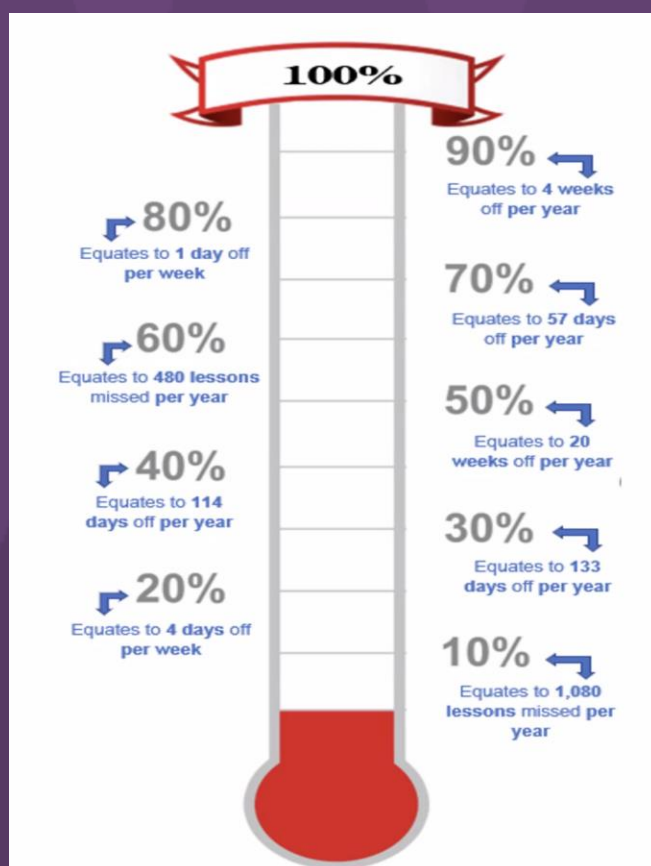
Download the HANDi App today

<https://bnssgccg.nhs.uk/get-involved/campaigns/download-handi-app/>

**175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR**  
**175 days to spend on family time, holidays and other appointments**

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

<b>w/c 06.12.21</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Fri</b>
89.2 %	87.8 %	90.6 %	91.1 %	87.4 %	89.3 %



	Option	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	Main Option	Mac & cheese (G, Mk or Vg*) or Black-eyed peas minestrone Soup (Ce, G, Vg) or Jacket Potato with daily Topping	Bean and cheese quesadillas (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*) or Greens & cheese parcels (G,M, MK or Vg*) or Sandwich of the day (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Hot dogs (G, Ce, S, Vg, M) or Cauliflower pea curry with naan (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) Or Jacket Potato with daily topping	Stir Fry Noodles (Ce, G, S, Vg) or Potato rosti with beans & cheese (Mk or Vg*) or Sandwich of the day (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Margarita Pizza & Chips (Ce, G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Mexican bean rice (C) or Jacket Potato with daily topping
	Sides	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar
	Dessert	Apple crumble with custard (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Coconut Jam cake (G, Vg)	Chocolate mousse (Mk)	Strawberry Jelly (Vg)	Ice Cream (Mk or Vg*)
WEEK 2	Main Option	Green pesto penne rigate (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Vegetable Soup & bread (Ce, G or Gf, Vg) or Jacket Potato with daily topping	Fajitas (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*) or Mediterranean tart (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*) or Sandwich of the day (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Homemade sausage rolls (G, Ce, S, Mk or Vg*) or Vegetable coconut curry with rice (Vg) or Jacket Potato with daily topping	Lasagne (Ce, G, Mk or Vg*) or Chana masala with naan (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Sandwich of the day (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Margarita Pizza & Chips (Ce, G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Couscous with Roasted Vegetables (G) or Jacket Potato with daily topping
	Sides	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar
	Dessert	Greek style yoghurt with mango coulis (Mk or Vg*)	Chocolate Mousse (Mk)	Flapjack (G)	Orange Jelly (Vg)	Ice Lollies (Vg)
WEEK 3	Main Option	Roasted vegetable Pasta bake (Ce, G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Roasted Tomato Soup & Bread (Ce, G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Jacket Potato with daily topping	Burrito Wraps (Ce, G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Potato rosti with beans & cheese (Mk or Vg*) or Sandwich of the day (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Halloumi pesto burger (G, Mk) or Sweet Potato Curry with Rice (Vg) or Jacket Potato with daily topping	Sausage Mash & Gravy (Ce, G, S, Mk or Vg*) or Matar paneer with Rice (Mk) or Sandwich of the day (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Margarita Pizza & Chips (Ce, G or Gf, Mk or Vg*) or Vegetable Pilaf Rice or Jacket Potato with daily topping
	Sides	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar	Seasonal salad bar
	Dessert	Pear Crumble with Custard (G or Gf, Mk or Vg*)	Carrot Cake (G, Vg)	Flapjack (G, Vg)	Chocolate chip shortbread (G, Mk or Vg*)	Ice Cream (Mk or Vg*)

Allergens

Mk - Contains dairy | G - Contains gluten | M - Mustard

Ce - Celery | S - Soya | Vg - Vegan | Vg\* - Vegan option | GF\* - Gluten Free option

Please Note: Fruits are available every day

Gluten Free & Vegan option available every day

Week 1 commencing: Aug- 30, Sep- 20; Oct- 11; Nov- 15; Dec- 06





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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**

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.

### 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: [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)



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

Bristol Young Carers Website <https://www.carerssupportcentre.org.uk/young-carers/>

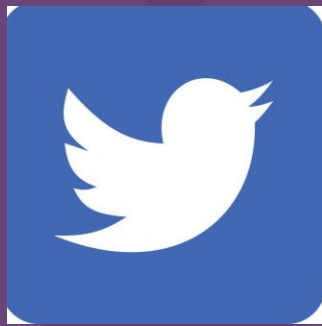
Or speak to Mrs Blackwell in school for accessing support for your child

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