



AVANTI GARDENS
SCHOOL

Family Bulletin



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :

Dear Families,

What a term we have had!

It has been inspirational to see how well our children have settled into this year and the progress that individual children have made, despite the ongoing challenges we have faced as a community with Covid 19.

I want to thank all of our Parents/Carers who have supported the restrictions and measures we have had to put in place, in regards to our Christmas performances. I hope you'll agree the children were fantastic and had worked very hard on their performances.

Next terms priority will continue to be attendance and punctuality. This is a key focus from the Department of Education Nationally and Locally in response to the Covid 19 pandemic. If children are not in, they are not learning.

Wishing all of our families a Merry Christmas and a Happy/ Healthy New Year. We look forward to welcoming our children back on Tuesday 4th January 2022.

Yours Faithfully,
Mr Milum



CLASS UPDATES



Dear Orchid families,

What a term! Orchid class have had a fantastic term 2. We have been so busy and achieved so much! We spent lots of time looking at a range of different traditional tales and in the last few weeks have been all Christmassy. It has been wonderful to watch the children progress and I have no doubt they will continue to do so in the new year.

This week we were invited to watch the KS2 carol concert. The children were a fantastic audience and even joined in with a song or two.

We have made Christmas cards, Christmas decorations and Christmas crowns. They have written letters to Father Christmas and made cards for each other.

I hope you all have a wonderful break.

Miss Griffith





Hello Lavender families ,

What a wonderful way to end the term! A busy week in lavender class making things and getting very Christmassy! This week we have spent a lot of time around our creative table making wreaths, salt dough decorations and Christmas crowns. I have been so impressed with how much care the children have taken when making all of their creations.

I was wowed this week by the children's Christmas writing. They have loved writing and making Christmas cards as well as using their phonics knowledge to write some Christmas words.

In Maths we have been learning about different shapes and looking at some of their properties, learning new mathematical language. A massive well done to the children for all their hard work!

I want to thank you all so much for your amazing support this term and kind messages and gift! I hope you all have a fabulous Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the new year.

Miss Smith





Hello Daffodil Families,

We've made it! The end of term is here, and we have had such a busy week!

The children have been busy writing their own Christmas Recipe and learning the story of the Snowman. We are really getting the hang of full sentences and Fred Fingers.

In maths, we have been subtracting using a number line. They have helped us realise that the number gets smaller when taking away.

The afternoons have been full of festive fun. the children have enjoyed making cards with fingerprints, calendars with colouring skills, sketched holly using shading and toning and even made a crown for our festive lunch on Wednesday.

Thank you to you all for your super kind gifts in our hampers – we are so very grateful to you all.



I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and share special family moments together.

With love,

Mrs Connelly , Miss Jefferies and Miss Chedgy





Hello Sunflower families,

We have had a very fun week of Christmas activities!

In Maths we have been cracking the Christmas codes to find the hidden messages and revealing the hidden pictures we have coloured in.

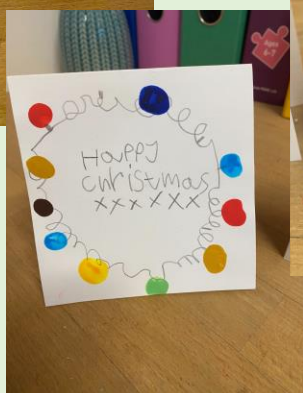
We have been making cards and crackers with real snaps in for the big day next week too.

The children were inspired by the Key Stage 2 carol concert so much they have been singing their hearts out all week. It has been very festive indeed!

I hope you all have a really fun holiday filled with laughter and happiness!

See you in the new year!

Miss Lollover





Dear Iris families,

We have had a fantastic last week of term. The children have continued to work hard alongside the start of Christmas celebrations.

Their performance of the 'Twelve days of Christmas' and the other Christmas carols blew me away and we hope you enjoyed our wonderful singing.

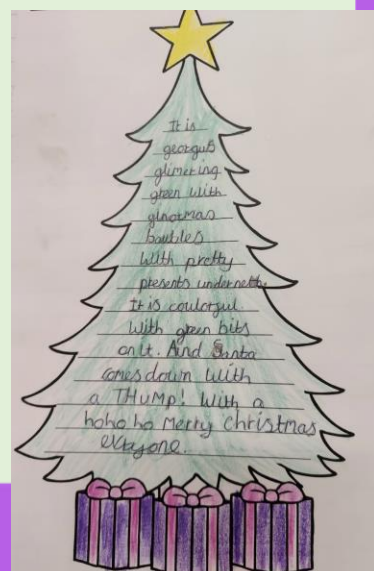
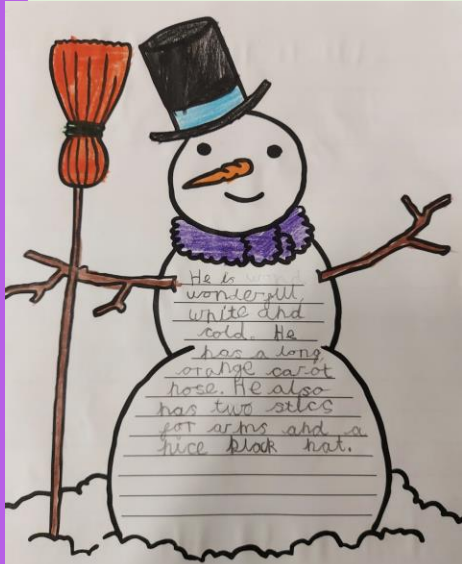
In English, we looked at shape poems and linked this in with a Christmassy theme writing our poems about Santa, Christmas trees, snowflakes and snowmen. The children thoroughly enjoyed this and I have put some examples of their work below.

For RE we looked at the Christmas story and the children showed their artistic skills by creating a nativity scene.

Thank you for all your support this term and helping me in my first term at Avanti Gardens.

Have a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year.

Miss Dark





Dear Foxglove families,

For me this has been a bittersweet last week with the children in Year 4 before Christmas. This term they have truly inspired me with their hard work, energy and creativity.

To give our English lessons a bit of Christmas cheer, we have been looking at the poem 'Twas the night before Christmas'. We really enjoyed playing around with rhyming couplets to create our own version of the poem based on the clip from 'The Snowman'. A particular well done to Clover, below, who really blew us away with her poem!

We have also enjoyed more creative activities, from making Christmas crowns to moulding some clay Christmas decorations.

I absolutely adored singing with the children this week in the Christmas Carol Concert. I hope you enjoyed it as much as myself and the children did. They worked incredibly hard when learning the songs and rehearsing.

A huge thank you to you, Foxglove families, for being so welcoming and supportive during my time at Avanti Gardens. I wish you all, all the best for the future.

Best wishes,

Miss Searle



Tuesday 14th December 2021
 To write a narrative poem.

It was the night before Christmas, when although the woods not
 a animal was awake not even a amazing goat.
 The children were sleeping tucked up in their beds
 hoping if the snow would fall all over their heads.

The snow fell gently as it landed with care
 on the ground as it was gentle like a best friend sat on a chair.
 And the snow felt like ice when I touched it
 the snow on my window sill clattered in bits.

When out on the grass I saw the impossible
 I jumped from my chair and ran to the window
 And I saw a small Sant nick I saw I really did I was it was the best thing I saw with the

The moon shone bright like the sun at day
 the snow glided like it was magic
 when I saw sant nick get out of his sleigh
 the sleigh was bright red like the hay.

With a sack full of beautiful toys
 they were wooden and made of metal they made noise.
 I was excited so excited sant nick was here
 and his reindeer were a bit like deer.

Dear Snapdragon Families,



We have had a brilliant last week of term and the children's enthusiasm has shone through. They have worked tirelessly to remember the songs and I was very proud of their singing in both performances.

This week in English we have written our own wintery themed poems using a refrain. The children chose their theme and we had a wide range from Father Christmas to a wintery banana! They have also practiced their performance skills when performing by changing their volume and the speed at which they read for effect.

We have also designed our own Christmas cards where the children chose which design they liked the most and put their own unique spin on it.

In Art, we have finished our Egyptian death masks made from clay and painted them using acrylic paint. The children used a range of different prototypes to model their design on.

I would like to thank all of the children and yourselves for your hard work this first term and making me feel welcome at the school. Have a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

With best wishes,
Mr Newman

*Snowflakes are falling,
Hot chocolate is boiling,
Whilst children are freezing and teasing.*

*Christmas is coming,
Santa is humming,
Whilst his little elves are heaving.*

*Trees are being decorated,
Queens are being generated,*

*Wishlist so big it makes my parents go cor,
So I won't be bored for a month or more.*

Snowflakes in the Sky

*Look up and you'll see,
Snowflakes falling for you and me,
Hot cocoa to make you warm.
A tree to gather round,
To make lots of sound,
We give and get,
So your set,
For the jolly Old man to come.*

CHRISTMAS DAY HAS COME,
WE CAN HAVE SO MUCH FUN, WHILE WE WAIT FOR THE TREE
TO BE DONE.

AS WE SHOUT, CHRISTMAS DAY HAS COME, CHRISTMAS DAY
HAS COME WE SHALL HAVE SO MUCH FUN!

WE WILL WATCH SNOWFLAKES FALL FROM THE FROZEN SKY
AND CALL FOR ST. NICK TO FLY BY.

CHRISTMAS DAY HAS COME! CHRISTMAS DAY HAS COME

Avanti PE lessons

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Merry Christmas everyone!

I hope your children have enjoyed this terms' PE. We have thoroughly enjoyed teaching the terms' topics and look forward to starting again in the new year. In the mean-time we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Year 2 (Monday 13th) - Year 2 worked hard today to perfect their dribbling skills before competing in dribbling relays as part of a team. Our star of the day was Freda - fantastic control of the ball when dribbling with her feet.

Year 5/6 (Tuesday 14th) - The class created their own obstacle course today and combined the skills learned over the term to challenge other groups around their courses. The children were very innovative with this task and came up with some very original ideas. Our team of the week was Akash, Zaki, and Mia.

Year 4 (Wednesday 15th) - The children have progressed well this term and we played a mini-tournament today to combine all our basketball skills in a competitive environment. Well done year 4. Our stars of the day was Demba and Luna for their excellent effort throughout the term.

Year 1 (Friday 10th) - We have been working on dribbling skills with our feet. Aiming to keep good control of our ball whilst moving around the space. Our star of the week was Rocco.

Be the best version of you...

Mr Dyer, Mrs Prosser, and Mr Johnson.

Notices

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

We all enjoyed sporting our Christmas and favourite jumpers last week and raised over £70 for Save the Children. Well done everyone.

Youth Holiday Hub programme and Winter Support Fund in place over Christmas.

Over the school winter break children and young people in Bristol who are eligible for free school meals can access free holiday club places, that include provision of a hot, nutritious meal, through Your Holiday Hub (YHH). The YHH programme also includes over 3,500 food parcels from FareShare South West, going to around 40 different organisations across the city,

Through the council's Household Support Fund, during the Christmas period around 28,000 households and individuals, of working age, on Housing Benefit or the Council Tax Reduction Scheme will receive a one-off £100 supermarket voucher to spend on food and household goods. Free school meal vouchers will be made available to parents of eligible early years and school age children during February 2022 half term, as they were in October 2021 half term.

Please find full details in the Press Releases below:

[£4 million grant given approval to support vulnerable Bristol residents - bristol.gov.uk](#)

[Your Holiday Hub returns to support families this Christmas - bristol.gov.uk](#)

MEAL ACCOUNTS

Please check your emails today for more information about Parent Pay. We will start transferring balances over tomorrow and you will need to be in credit in to order school lunches in the new year. Please ensure your account is in credit today. We will be starting the Menu on week 1 next term.

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>

Christmas & New Year Sports Camps are here...!!!

 **#sportingchancecsp #holidaysportscamp #haf21**

- 👉 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

We are now offering all partner schools a 15% discount this Christmas. Please use code FESTIVE2021-15

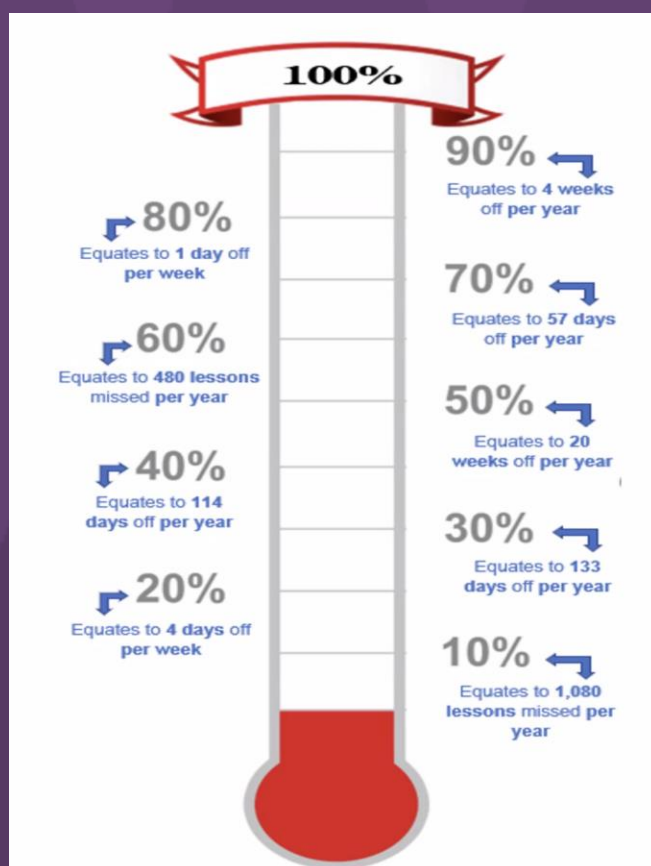
To book a place visit...

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

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 180 days of Education	19 days of absence 171 days of Education	29 days of absence 161 days of Education	38 days of absence 152 days of Education	47 days of absence 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 13.12.21	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
90.5 %	90.6 %	90.3 %	89.9 %	91.2 %	CLOSED



	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

NSPCC Website: 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/>

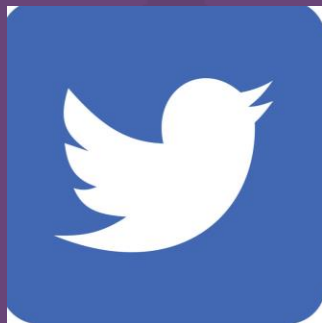
Or speak to Mrs Blackwell in school for accessing support for your child

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