

AVANTI GARDENS

SCHOOL

Family Bulletin





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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

After a very focused week here at Avanti Gardens, there has been significant progress in each class. I have heard facts about Roman emperors, descriptions of craggy coves and excellent problem solving in Maths.

Our children continue to read well and most are now recording this in the reading records we have provided so we can reward practice with our Karate bands. Reading is a priority for all children – we continue to welcome all support for this at home.

Thank you for your continued efforts to ensure children are on time and attending regularly.

I wish you each a re-energising and enjoyable weekend. The team and I look forward to welcoming you back on Monday.

Yours Faithfully, Mr Milum

CLASS UPDATES



We have had a fantastic week in Orchid class. Miss Elliott and I have both commented on how purposeful and creative their play has been this week.

They have continued to wow us in phonics and in Maths we have been revisiting tens frames. We created a human sized tens frame in the class and the children used this to represent a variety of numbers, linking it to one more and one less than.

This week we have been learning about safari animals. The children had lots of fun making their own safari binoculars. This then led to them going on their own imaginary safari, building safari trucks and pretending to be safari animals. We have looked at the books 'Giraffes Can't Dance' and 'We Are Going On a Lion Hunt". The children then went on to make some brilliant Lion and Giraffe pictures.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Griffith









Hello Lavender families,

This week in Lavender class we have been learning about animals from hotter habitats. The children blew me away with their knowledge of hot countries and the animals that might live there. They have produced some beautiful artwork by collaging and drawing. The children loved making their binoculars, using them to explore the jungle and spot different animals. We have also used the puppets to tell jungle adventure stories and tales of the of the desert.

In Maths we have continued to develop our understanding and use of tens frames using them to add and subtract. As well as exploring measure by making giraffe necks.

I am so proud of some of the writing the children have produced this week. We have been writing the names of animals as well as going on a word hunt. We have enjoyed the stories 'Giraffes Can't Dance' and 'We're Going On a Lion Hunt'. We've done animal dances and been on a lion hunt.

Have a fabulous weekend!

Miss Smith





Hello Daffodil Families,

Thank you to those of you who have sent in boxes for our DT playgrounds this term.

In maths this week, we have learnt to tell the time to o'clock and half past on an analogue clock. We are great at spotting o'clock and are becoming more confident with half past.

In English, we have written and published our own stories based on 'The Magic Porridge Pot'. We have had fun thinking about what our own magic pot would make – ranging from Mozzarella Sticks to Hot Chocolate!

In PSHE we talked about dreams and goals and then drew some of our own goals for this year. watch this space – it sounds as though we have some superstars in the making – ballerinas, footballers and master builders!

In RE we discussed and ordered celebrations in life – some things we have already celebrated – like starting school – and some things yet to come – like perhaps graduating from university.

One last note – thank you for finding the time to hear your child read at home. Please could you sign your child's reading record when they have read to you, or you have read to them. We check the books every morning and are trying really hard to achieve our karate bands!

Have a restful, fun weekend. See you all on Monday!

Mrs Connelly, Miss Jefferies and Miss Chedgey.



Hello Sunflower families,

This week has been super fun.

Sadly, our dragon eggs have not hatched yet, but they are showing signs of cracking so maybe they will soon. In the meantime, we have been unpicking the features of our story of 'Kassim and the Greedy Dragon'; a warning story full of suspense and mystery and then we innovated it to make it our own.

In Math's we have taken a deeper dive into multiplication exploring multiplying by 5 and 10. Wow there were some big numbers to work with this week! While in science we have been building on last week's learning by looking at what properties the objects have depending on the material they are made from.

Following last week's map making we have taken it a step further and learnt to use compass directions. We learnt a song, "north, south, east and west which direction do you like the best?". We used these skills to plot a journey on a map of the local area. The children then used the directions to see if we could discover where their final destinations were.

We also made clicking castanets in music. We listened to some Spanish flamenco and watched some of the amazing dances.

I hope you all have a fun weekend

Miss Lollover





Dear Iris families,

We've had another brilliant week in Iris class!

In English we have been writing our own version of the 'Cobbler and the Dragon' using apostrophes for possession and inverted commas. This really sparked the children's imaginations and we have had some brilliant stories.

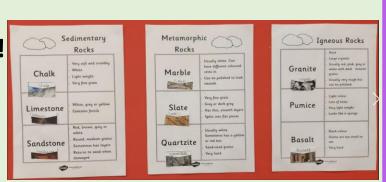
In Maths, we have been converting and comparing measurements in cm, mm and m. Next week, we will be looking at adding and subtracting lengths and finding the perimeter.

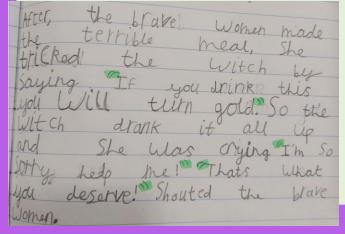
In Geography, we began with our new topic 'Natural disasters'. Our first lesson was about the layers of the Earth. The children enjoyed singing along to a song about the 4 layers of the Earth and interesting discussions were had about how far humans can drill down into the Earth's core.

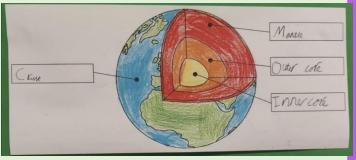
Please make sure your children's reading records come into school <u>every day</u> and that you are reading with and recording their reads regularly. This is monitored <u>daily</u>.

Have a fantastic weekend!

Miss Dark and Miss Allard









Dear Foxglove families,

Another great week in Foxglove class!

In English we wrote a suspense story using all the features we learned about last week. The whole class were brilliant at including direct speech, fronted adverbials and noun phrases in their stories to make them even more interesting.

This week in Maths we began learning about fractions.

The children have worked hard to find equivalent fractions and have been very resilient with their work.

In Science we have been beginning to explore our topic of sound by going on a sound walk around the school to see what we can hear in different parts of our school.

Despite being unable to go swimming, we had a brilliant time at Oldbury Court park on Monday! We are looking forward to our lesson next week.

Please can you ensure that reading records come into school every day and you are recording the reading the children do regularly. We check these every day and would love to see more reading being recorded each week so we can earn our karate reading bands!

Hope you all enjoy your weekend,

Miss Kitchen and Miss Forde.



Dear Snapdragon Families,

It has been another brilliant week in class.

In English we have been writing our own versions of The Highwayman using figurative language, semi colons and the passive voice. The children really enjoyed creating a foreboding atmosphere to open their poems and thought of some superb similes and metaphors to begin the poem.

We have continued to look at fractions in Maths this week. We have found converted improper fractions into mixed numbers, found equivalent fractions and compared fractions with different denominators. They have been very persistent in their work and have used the Maths resources brilliantly.

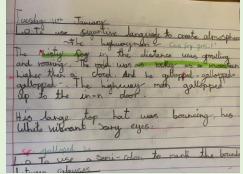
Our work on forces has continued in Science where we looked at the difference between mass and weight and measured items from around the room using Newton Meters. We found that one child's weight in the class would be almost 8,000 kg if he was on Jupiter!

In Art this week we began to study the artist Henri Rousseau as he is our focus for this term. The children discussed a range of his pieces, found the abstract elements of the work and looked at his background to identify some potential influences on his work.

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With best wishes,

Mr Newman



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Avanti PE lessons

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Year 2 (Monday 10th) - Year 1 were working on athletics activities specifically running and how to start a running activity today. Ready steady go! Jake was our PE Champion for his eagerness to run!

Year 5/6 (Tuesday 11th) - Netball session involved learning about the different positions and how the thirds of a netball court work in a game. Rwbyn was our PE Champion today for superb team organisation.

Year R (Thursday 13th) - Dance sessions today had a theme of fairies! Reception loved the session and really got into character. Our PE Champions were Tommy and Jeiynaba.

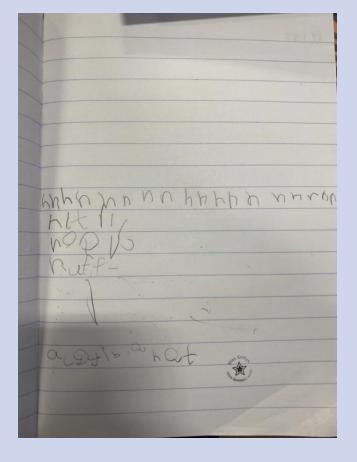
Year 3 (Thursday 13th) - A fantastic dance session today with year 3 - the children were using the theme of the African Cup of Nations - using sequences to make their dance. Luna was our PE Champion for being an excellent leader.

Year 1 (Friday 7th) - The children were enjoying working on athletics again today with a focus on running and reaction times when starting a race.

STAR OF THE WEEK

EYFS:

Orchid: This week's Star of the Week is Eligh. Eligh showed incredible focus and perseverance during phonics. He worked really hard to reduce the size of his letter and sit them on the line. Well done, Eligh!



Lavender:

Our star of the week this week is Neeva. Neeva has settled into Lavender class brilliantly and has grown in confidence when contributing to

class discussions and playing with her peers.



GREAT

Year 1

Our star of the week in Daffodils class this week is Ruby.

Ruby always gives 100% effort to everything she tries. She perseveres until the end and completes jobs with a huge smile on her face. She is super kind to her friends and always looks after other children. You have had a brilliant week Ruby – well done!

Year 2:

Duke is our star of the week this week. He has shown such determination in Math's. He has worked with some pretty big numbers when multiplying by 10 and has taken it all in his stride. Well done!!

Year 3:

Eesha is our star of the week this week. She has worked exceptionally hard in all subjects and has helped make Miss Allard feel very welcomed into Iris class. Well done, Eesha!

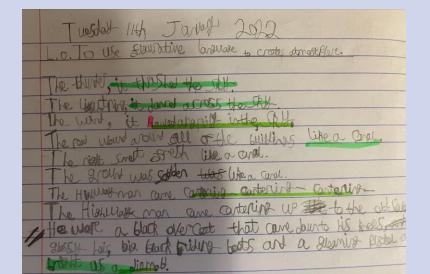
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Year 4:

Foxglove star of the week is Minnie for her great work and enthusiasm in Maths this week when learning fractions. Well done!

Year 5/6:

Oscar for his wonderful use of figurative language when writing his own version of The highwayman. Great work!



KS 2 Homework Club



Come and join our Home-work Club, every Monday from 3:15 – 4pm, starting on the 10th of January.

An opportunity to complete your homework with your friends and an adult available to supervise each year group. Staff will be on hand to support reading, maths and spelling activities.

There are 30 spaces available for children from Year 2 upwards. Ask your parents to book a space for a term via the Arbor. You will be signing up for the term.

(This club will be set up on Arbor shortly)

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Notices

Dates for your diary

Thursday 20th January



On Thursday we will be opening up our exciting new activity playground equipment to children. We will be opening it to one year group at a time at break and lunch.

We will also be changing our menu that day to Pizza and Chips or Pilaf rice with ice cream for dessert for that Thursday.

Sausage and Mash or Matar Paneer with Shortbread for dessert will be moved to Friday.

As this is a change of menu this means that anyone who has booked in advance on ParentPay will need to rebook the meals for those days.

ParentPay

We would like to thank any parents who have been struggling with ParentPay for their patience.

If you are still having problems, please complete this form outlining your difficulties and we will meet with them next week to try to resolve them as soon as possible.

ParentPay Issues

Parking

We have complaints from our neighbours to say that parents are parking in front of their driveways and their garages, preventing them from being able to move their cars. We want to be respectful to our neighbours, so please ensure you allow yourself enough time at drop-off and pick-up to park legally and considerately. Many thanks.

SPORTING CHANCE

February Half Term Sports Camp



☆ Holiday Sports Camp for children aged 5-11 (Yr 1-6)

Mangotsfield Primary School, BS16 7EY

☆ Open every day 830/10am to 330pm

☆ Ofsted registered childcare from £16.00 per day

To book please click the following link https://www.sportingchance-csp.co.uk/events/2022/02/21/february-half-term-sports-camp-2

<u>Avanti Gardens After School Clubs Term 3 & 4</u> Tuesdays Basketball Club Y3-6: (2 SPACES REMAINING)

Wednesdays Superstars Club YR-2 (FULLY BOOKED) BOOK NOW FOR TERM

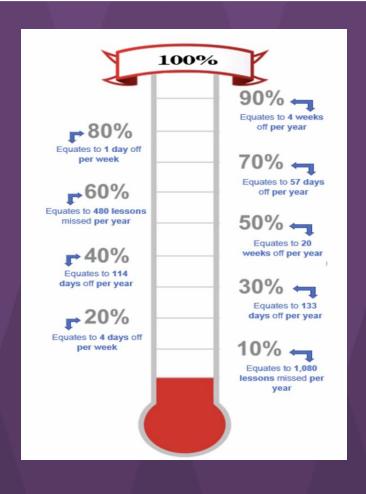
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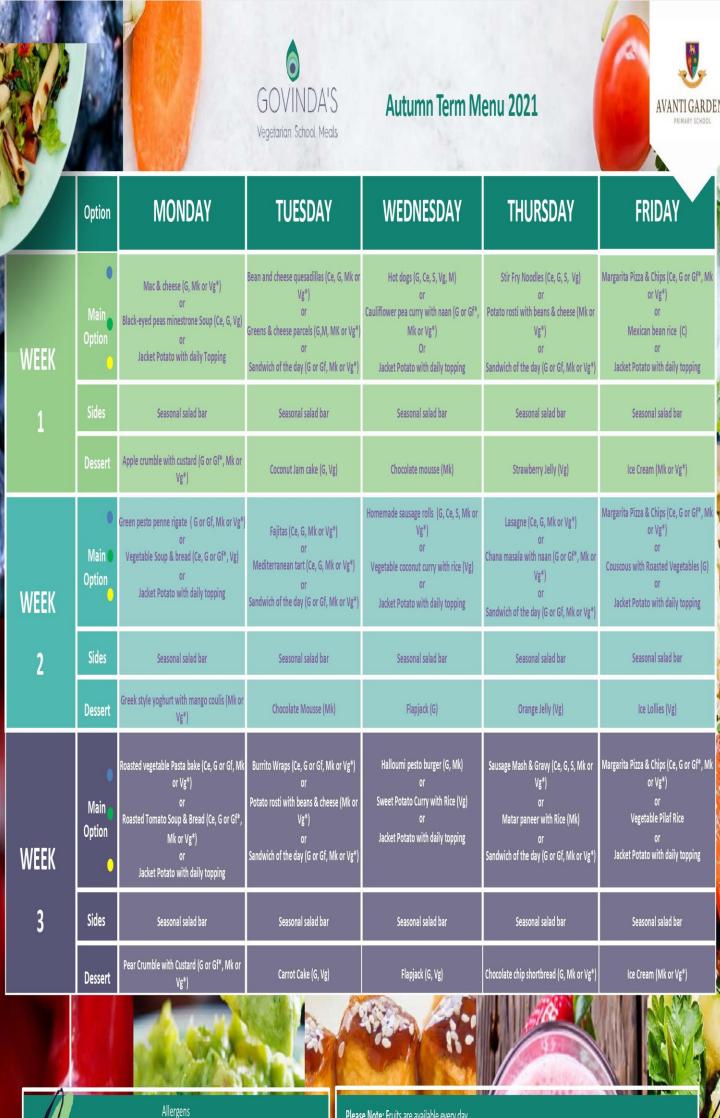
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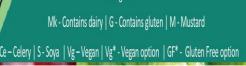
Mr Jones, Mrs Prosser, and Mr Johnson.

175 days to spend on family time, holidays and other appointments 190 School 10 days of 19 days of 29 days of 38 days of 47 days of days for each absence absence absence absence absence child's 180 days of 171 days of 161 days of education 152 days of 143 days of Education Education Education Education Education 100% 95% 90% 85% 75% 80% Good Serious Concern Severe Risk **Best Chance of Success Penalty Notice Considered** Prosecution / Court Action w/c Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri 10.01.22 93.1% 93.9 % 94.8 % 90.2 % 94.5 % 92.1%

175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR







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



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



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.

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.carerssupportce
ntre.org.uk/young-carers/
Or speak to Mrs Blackwell in school for accessing support for your child

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