

# AVANTI GARDENS

# **Family Bulletin**





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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :

Dear Families,

This week children have enjoyed our new play equipment as well as engaging in some excellent learning. It has been great to see Snapdragon recommencing their whole class brass tuition; keep up the practise everyone.

Attendance this week has dipped and requires our attention and focus to ensure all pupils arrive on time and attend regularly. A reminder that all children should be in our class lines by 8.45am.

Thank you very much to all families who continue to support the school by sending pupils in wearing full uniform.

I wish families an enjoyable weekend. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday.

Yours Faithfully, Mr Milum





The more you READ, the more things you will KNOW the more you LEARN, the more places you will go. **Dr Seuss** 

This week we are sending home guidance of how to support your child with reading at home. Reading underpins our whole curriculum and it is vital that we keep this as a learning priority for all of our children.

We would really appreciate your support in discussing the importance of reading with your child at home. Our teaching staff will be insisting that children are bringing their reading books and reading records into school each day. They will also be monitoring whether the children have read each night. We ask that as parents/carers you support us through writing in your child's reading record each time that you read.











#### **CLASS UPDATES**



Dear Orchid families,

This week we have been learning about Arctic animals. We have read both The Emperors Egg and Lost and Found. We have created penguin pictures, polar bear pictures and have even had a go at making our very own boats, like the one in Lost and Found.

There has been an increase in imaginative play in Orchid class this week. Our classroom has been turned into a library, there's been a tea party, children have been teaching their own phonics lessons and we have had lots of polar bears and penguins in our classroom.

In Maths we have been learning about the seasons, days of the week and discussing our daily routines. We have used vocabulary like, first, next, after that and finally to help us talk through our day.

Have a lovely weekend. *Miss Griffith* 











Hello Lavender families,

This week Lavender class have been learning all about Arctic animals! We have waddled like penguins and roared like polar bears as well as creating some beautiful artwork. The children have asked some brilliant questions this week about different types of animals and have been trying hard to use their new arctic vocabulary in the classroom. They particularly enjoyed making snow scenes and talking about ice and where it comes from.

In Maths this week we have been learning all out the seasons, days of the week and what our day looks like. The children thought carefully about what they do each day and were really interested in how not everyone's day is the same.

There has been lots of writing going on in Lavender class this week. The children have worked hard to independently write the sounds they can hear an we have seen some beautifully neat writing of words. Amazing!

Have a fabulous weekend!





Hello Daffodil Families,

Stay warm this weekend!

Mrs Connelly

It has been another wonderful week of learning in Daffodils class.

In English we have enjoyed some delicious hot chocolate to help explore words to describe it. We then used these words to write our own shape poems.

In Maths we have continued to learn to tell the time to o'clock and half past. We have also followed directions to help us turn quarter, half and full turns in a clockwise and anti-clockwise direction.

The children had great fun in outdoor learning this week and collected materials to build their favourite part of a playground. We had some fantastic zip wires, slides, swings and climbing walls!

I think the highlight of the week has been the opening of the Trim Trail in the playground. We had so much fun exploring, climbing and enjoying the amazing new equipment!

Thank you for your continued support with hearing your child read at home. They are so excited to tell us every morning all about their reading at home.



#### Hello Sunflower families,

We have had such a great week using our imaginations.

The eggs have finally hatched! Unfortunately, it was at night and the dragons had to dash as they needed to keep their magic hidden. However, they did leave a lovely thank you note. This disappearance was quite fitting with the new poem we are looking at called "I have an invisible dragon". We have created our own invisible creatures and described them through our senses and what they can do. I cannot wait to find some rhyming words and put our poems together next week!

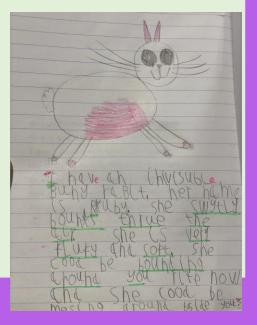
In Math's we have reminded ourselves how to read o'clock and half past on an analogue clock and are now moving onto quarter past and quarter to. We made our own clocks so we can practice showing the time. The children have been keeping me in check and on time all week!

The children and I had SO much fun in music again this week learning about a rock song. We learnt how to dance in time to the music and we even made our own verses to the song!

I am all looking forward to seeing what fun next week holds for us but until then I hope you all have a good weekend.

Miss Lollover

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Dear Iris families,

All the children of Iris class have been absolute superstars this week despite Miss Dark and Mr Young not being here.

We had a lovely Science lesson this week learning all about tectonic plates and volcanoes, in particular how they are formed. We then discussed this in relation to the recent underwater volcano eruption near Tonga.

In Geography this week we continued with our new topic of Geology and learnt all about fossilization. It turns out there are already a few paleontologists in the classroom who contributed some interesting facts that even the teacher didn't know! On Thursday afternoon we enjoyed a 'show and tell' of some fossils kindly brought in from home by Elba and Kloe.

In Writing the children have had fun this week learning all about Kennings poems and alliteration and on Friday they were able to practice writing their own.

I have had a brilliant time with Iris class and look forward to my last week at Avanti Gardens spent with them. Have a refreshing weekend and see you on Monday!

**Miss Allard** 





Dear Foxglove families,

Another great week for learning in year 4!

On Monday we had our first swimming lesson which the children really enjoyed. We are looking forward to seeing the children's progress over the next few weeks!

In our writing lessons this week we have been looking at the different school routines children have across the world. We have been using this information to create a non-fiction text about school life for children, teachers and parents with a focus on including subheadings and bullet points.

We have been continuing with fractions this week in Maths. The children have been practicing their times tables every day and using that knowledge to work out equivalent fractions. They have all shown great resilience in their work the past two weeks and are beginning to move on to be able to find fractions of amounts.

This week in our history lesson we learned what life was like for the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings. The children enjoyed learning about the lifestyles they lived, clothes they wore and types of food they ate.

On Friday last week Foxglove class had their first spelling test of this term and did very well! We were very impressed with the scores and encourage the children to continue practicing these at home as it makes a big difference in their writing.

Hope you all have a great weekend,

Miss Forde and Miss Kitchen



Dear Snapdragon Families,

It has been another exciting week in class.

On Monday, we started our new English text which is based upon the Greek myth Perseus and Medusa. As part of this, we created our own shields for Perseus to use. In our writing we have been working upon using 'show not tell'. The children worked hard to demonstrate what being angry looks like without giving away the emotion.

In Maths we have been looking at adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators in Year 6 whilst our Year 5s have been looking at comparing and ordering decimals up to 3 decimal points and rounding them.

In Science we have been learning about the impact of air resistance and when this is useful and when it is a hindrance. The children were tasked with designing an improved parachute and testing this out with only one variable. They chose to test out the impact of size, shape, mass and length of rope to see which would make their parachute the safest.

We have been very musical in Reading this week looking at the song 'I've got a dream' from the film Tangled. We analysed the lyrics and how it was a perfect illustration that we should not judge a book by its cover.

It has been wonderful to see the improvement in the children's reading this year and thank you for the improvement in the number of children recording their reading at home. This is having a noticeable improvement on their work and it is great to see so many children enjoying a good book.

Have a great weeekend! With best wishes, *Mr Newman* 

#### <u>Avanti PE lessons</u>

#### Happy Friday everyone!

I hope you have all had a good week so far. On weeks like these we are extremely pleased to have the wonderful Avanti indoor facilities! The dance topic has been in full flight this week with the children making great progress through the terms' work.

#### Year 2 (Monday 17th) -

**Year 5/6** (Tuesday 18th) - Netball this week led into matchplay from learning our various passing and movement skills over weeks' 1&2. The children were really hot on following the rules and played very fairly. Our PE champion was Edward and Yogi Master was Taio.

Year 4 (Wednesday 19th) - We worked on mirroring and canon in dance today and linked it to our previous routine. Our PE Champion was Theo and Yogi Master was Avarni. Year R (Thursday 20th) - The children were moving like animals to tie in with their theme in class. This week was arctic animals and we travelled to music using our freeze frames. PE Champions were Zoe and Alice (Orchid) and Logan (Lavender), Yogi Masters were Axel and Seb V Year 3 (Thursday 20th) - We continued our work on mirroring and canon today, the children practised this and then introduced the concepts to their dances. Our PE Champion was Milla.

**Year 1** (Friday 14th) - We worked on relay races and the basic techniques for change over. The children incorporated their sprint starts from last weeks session too! Our PE Champion was Bryana and Yogi Master was Molly.

# **STAR OF THE WEEK**

# EYFS:

Orchid: This weeks Star of the Week is Feliks. Feliks has made so much progress in his writing recently and this is evident in this piece of independent writing he completed this week. He shows so much enthusiasm and focus in his writing which is such a pleasure to see. Well done, Feliks!



#### Lavender:

Our star of the week is Atlas! Atlas has worked really hard on his reading and writing. Atlas has done some brilliant blending and independently written different sounds.





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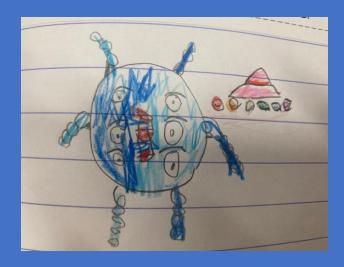
#### Year 1

Star of the Week in Daffodils is Hrihaan.

Hrihaan always tries his best and gives 100% effort to all his
learning. He has a smile on his face all day, every day and is super kind to his friends.
Well done, Hrihaan!

# Year 2:

In year 2 our star of the week is Noah for showing lots of focus in every lesson this week. He has done some fantastic work. He has also consistently shown our values all week. What a star!!!!



## Year 3:

Year 3's star of the week is Kloe! Kloe has been working really hard over the last few weeks on perfecting her cursive handwriting and has impressed all of her teachers. Well done!

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## Year 4:

Avani is our star of the week in year 4! She has been showing great resilience this week in Maths and has impressed us with her times tables knowledge. Well done Avani!

## Year 5/6:

Obi has been working extremely hard in English this week and produced this excellent piece full of examples of 'show not tell'.

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#### **IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?**

Please click on the link below for advice from the NHS as to whether your child may attend school if suffering from a variety of illnesses. We will keep this link on the attendance page of the Family Bulletin for your reference. We hope you find it useful.

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#### WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day is coming up next month. Time for discussions about which favourite literary character your child may like to come dressed as and a rummage through the wardrobe and charity shop. We'll be looking forward to seeing their outfits!

#### **CHANGE OF INSET DAY**

One of our scheduled Inset days this year has changed. We are moving our Inset day on 9th June to **25th March**. We will still have an Inset day on 10th June. The Inset days for the rest of this academic year are now:

Friday 25th. March 2022. Friday 10th June

Children should attend school as usual on Thursday 9th June. Please make a note of these changes in your diaries or calendars. We have updated the website with the changes as well.

#### **INCONSIDERATE PARKING**

Sadly, we are still receiving complaints from local residents regarding inconsiderate parking at drop off and pick up times. Please do not park over dropped kerbs or block peoples' driveways.



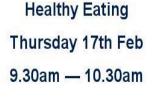
Community Children's Health Partnership



# **Sirona School Health Nurse** Webinar Series - February 2022







**Understanding Your** Child's Wellbeing Wednesday 16th Feb 1.30pm-2.30pm







9.30am-10.30am Dental Health Thursday 17th Feb

1.30pm-2.30pm







Helping Your Child With Sleep

Monday 14th February 9.30am-10.30am

Continence in Children and Young People **Tuesday 15th February** 10.30am - 11.30am

#### Click on the icon to register for the event! (registration may close 1 day prior,

so please book on as soon as you can)



# **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.

#### **SPORTING CHANCE**

Please see the information below relating to the <u>Holiday Sports</u> <u>Camp</u> this February half term.

#### 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 <u>https://www.sportingchance-</u> <u>csp.co.uk/events/2022/02/21/february-half-term-sports-camp-2</u>

Be the best version of you...

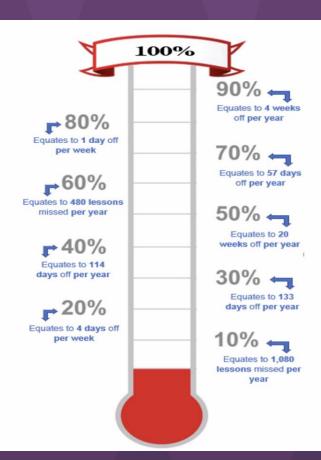
Mr Jones, Mrs Prosser, and Mr Johnson.

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#### **175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR** 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 education 180 days of 171 days of 161 days of 152 days of 143 days of Education Education Education Education Education 90% 100% 95% 85% 80% 75% Good Serious Concern Severe Risk **Best Chance of Success Penalty Notice Considered Prosecution / Court Action** w/c Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri 17.01.22 85 % 85.8% 86.7 % 85.9 % 85 % 84 %





### Autumn Term Menu 2021



	Option	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK	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 quesadiilas (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
1	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)	lce Cream (Mk or Vg*)
WEEK	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
2	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	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*) vr Vegetable Pilaf Rice or Jacket Potato with daily topping
3	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*)	lce 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





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 <u>https://www.carerssupportce</u> ntre.org.uk/young-carers/

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

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