



AVANTI GARDENS  
SCHOOL

# Family Bulletin



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :

Dear Families,

We have enjoyed a full week of excellent learning which was enriched with our Chinese New Year Curriculum Enrichment Day. Please do have a look at the brilliant work your children have produced in the following pages.

There has been much more regular uniform in each year group which I am very thankful for – please keep supporting the school with this.

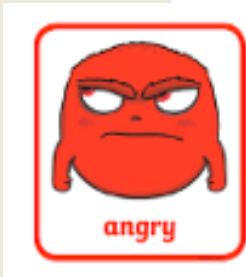
Attendance has also improved this week with more children attending more regularly and on time. Thanks to families for making this a shared priority.

I wish all families an enjoyable and rewarding weekend.

Yours Faithfully,  
Mr Milum







**Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. We will be completing a range of activities throughout the week to raise awareness of how important our mental health is.**



## CLASS UPDATES



Dear Orchid families,

We have had a lovely and very busy week in Orchid class. We have been looking at minibeasts and have read a range of texts around this such as, Mad about Minibeasts, Norman the Slug with the Silly Shell, Twist and Hop Minibeast Bop and Superworm. We have also been busy learning a minibeast poem. We have been extending our vocabulary this week by looking at pictures of minibeasts and describing them. I have been blown away by some of the words and sentences the children have produced such as, delicate butterfly, precious like a gem and yellow like a flower. In Maths we have continued to consolidate our knowledge of addition, making sure we are confident with the number sentences.

On Tuesday we celebrated Chinese new year, we learnt about how people celebrate it, read the story and made Chinese dragons, lanterns and blossom trees.

Have a lovely weekend.

*Miss Griffith*





Hello Lavender families ,



This week in Lavender class we have been learning all about minibeasts. The children have loved exploring in the garden using magnifying glasses to search for all types of minibeasts. We have learnt a poem with actions all about a beetle and looked in detail at how it was described. We have enjoyed reading stories such as 'Norman the Slug with the Silly Shell' designing our own snail shells for Norman to wear.

We have been working on our addition and the children have worked incredibly hard on using their number lines to support them in adding. It has been lovely to see them challenging themselves to write their own number sentences.

Craft day was very exciting and Lavender class loved learning all about the traditions observed during Chinese New Year and being incredibly creative.

Have a lovely weekend.

*Miss Smith*



Hello Daffodil Families,



We have had a fantastic week on Daffodils this week. We celebrated the Chinese New Year by hearing a story about how the animals became the zodiac. We learned how it is traditionally celebrated and enjoyed making some wonderful crafts. We made lanterns, money envelopes, dragon streamers, dancing tigers and drums. It was certainly fun!

In outdoor learning we investigated hibernation and made our own hibernation homes for hedgehogs.

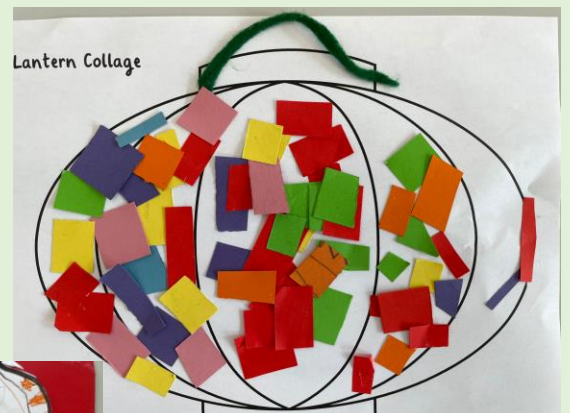
In maths we have looked at numbers to 50 and how they are made of groups of 10 and some left (the ones).

In English we have read the story 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley' and read a report about plastic pollution. We are going to use the features to write our own reports about Winter next week.

Thank you for your support with reading at home – this week has been great, with more children reading at home. Please continue to hear your child read, and importantly, record this in their home reading records.

Have a wonderful weekend!

*Mrs Connelly*





Hello Sunflower families,



This week in English children have been writing fabulous poetry using alliteration and rhyme. (Ask your child to explain to you what these terms mean. You will be blown away by their ability to articulate their learning.) Their poems were so wonderfully creative and we've had lots of fun sharing them.

In Maths we've come to the end of our block of learning on Time. Please do continue to use these new skills at home as often as possible.

Whilst there has been lots of fabulous learning happening, the highlight of our week was our craft day. We enjoyed the Chinese legend of 'The Great Race' and finding out which animals we all are (horses, goats and one monkey). We learned that a Chinese lucky waving cat is not Chinese at all, nor is it waving. The cat is in fact Japanese and is beckoning. However, it has been adopted as a symbol of good luck and prosperity in China. We made our own beckoning cat puppets and "plushies" and we hope these bring your families good luck, health and happiness for the year ahead

Happy lunar new year,  
*Miss Roberts and Miss Lollover*



Dear Iris families,



We have had another brilliant week in year 3.

The highlight of our week was craft day on Tuesday. The children enjoyed learning about Chinese New year and made some brilliant Chinese lanterns and tigers using only paper and scissors!

In Maths, we have been recapping our knowledge of reading and drawing time to the nearest 5 minutes. This is a tricky concept, but the children have persevered and done brilliantly this week. Please practise this at home with the children.

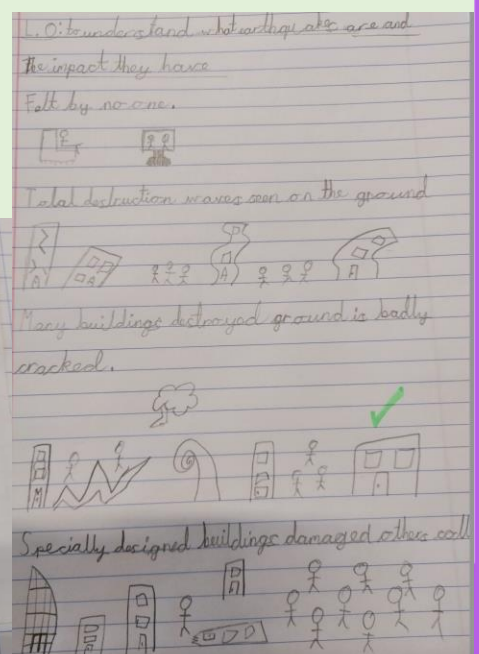
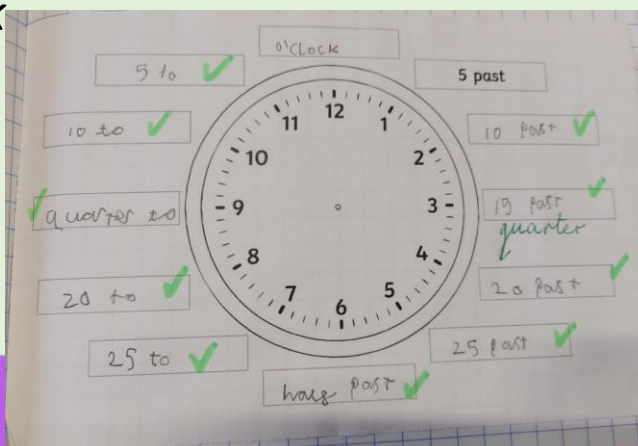
For our English learning, we have learnt about the features of a non – chronological report and looked at facts/opinions and the present tense. We are looking forward to researching our favourite animals next week and writing a non – chronological report about them.

We continued our learning on natural disasters in Geography and learnt about how earthquakes occur and how they are measured using the Mercalli and Richter scale.

We have had lots more karate bands given out this week which is brilliant. Please remember to write in your children's reading records.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Dark





Dear Foxglove families,



Another great week in Foxglove class!

In writing this week we have been learning to use more suffixes in our writing. The children have been very creative and coming up with lots of great suffixes. They have also been practising their cursive handwriting to try and earn a writing pen.

In maths we continued our learning about fractions. They have been looking at improper fractions and turning them into mixed numbers. We have also been practising our 6 times table and are all improving. Keep practising these at home to master our times tables!

The highlight of the week was our Chinese New Year craft day on Tuesday. The children did a range of creative crafts including making fans, fortune cookies and masks. We also completed a whole class craft project of a tiger with stripes made from cut outs of our hands. It was great to work together to create a piece of art that everyone contributed to.

We also learned about some of the traditions that happen in China during their new year celebrations and the meaning behind the crafts we were making.

Keep up the great reading at home! We've had lots more reading karate bands earned this week which is brilliant.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend,

*Miss Forde and Miss Kitchen*



Dear Snapdragon Families,



It has been a craft-filled week in Snapdragon.

We celebrated Chinese New Year on Tuesday and have carried out a range of tiger themed activities throughout the week to celebrate. We have created our own Chinese lanterns and a tiger themed puppet as well. As ever, the children's artistic skills continue to impress me.

In English we have been looking at explanation texts. Our model is based upon the 'Snoozeatron' from Wallace and Gromit and the children have been learning how they can include relative clauses in their writing to add extra information.

In Year 5 we have been practising our measuring skills using a protractor which has been tricky but the children have stepped up to the challenge. In Year 6 we have been studying the angles in triangles and quadrilaterals.

We have continued to study the artwork of Henri Rousseau by looking at how we can match the shades of colour to our rainforest background.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend,

With best wishes,  
*Mr Newman*





## Avanti PE lessons

**Year 2** (Monday 31st) - Jake was our PE Champion for his great running technique, really driving his elbows back which helped with his speed. Aani was our Yoga Master for being so still and calm.

**Year 5/6** (Tuesday 1st) - The children excelled today in hockey - Malena won the PE Champion award for her movement and finding space. Alessia was our Yoga Master for her stillness and calm approach.

**Year 4** (Wednesday 2nd) - The class focused on a theme of superheroes today with some excellent performances. We worked particularly hard on relationships within the dance and our use of space. Wren and Maudie were our PE Champions.

**Year R** (Thursday 3rd) - The children were really focused today on our safari theme with PE and yoga! PE Champions were Elliott and Sebastian, and our Yoga Masters were Neeva and Ada.

**Year 3** (Thursday 3rd) - Tremendous work from year 3 this week! They worked in pairs to form a dance linked to 'Toy Story'. PE Champion was Kloe and Albie was our Yoga Master.

**Year 1** (Friday 28th) - Some budding athletes in year 1! There children worked hard again this week with the three disciplines of running, jumping, and throwing. Charlie was the PE Champion. Isobel was Yoga Master for her 100% focus.

## STAR OF THE WEEK

**EYFS:**

**Orchid: This week's star of the week is Idris. Miss Elliott has been amazed with his focus and determination in phonics. He has worked really hard at taking care over his letters and sitting them on the line. Well done, Idris!**



Lavender:

This week our star of the week is Seb Z. Seb has been enthusiastic in his phonics lessons. And really applied himself to our Maths task this week. Great effort well done Seb.



Year 1

Our star of the week in Daffodils is Clove.

Clove has read every night at home since September and has made super progress in reading. Well done, Clove!



Year 2:

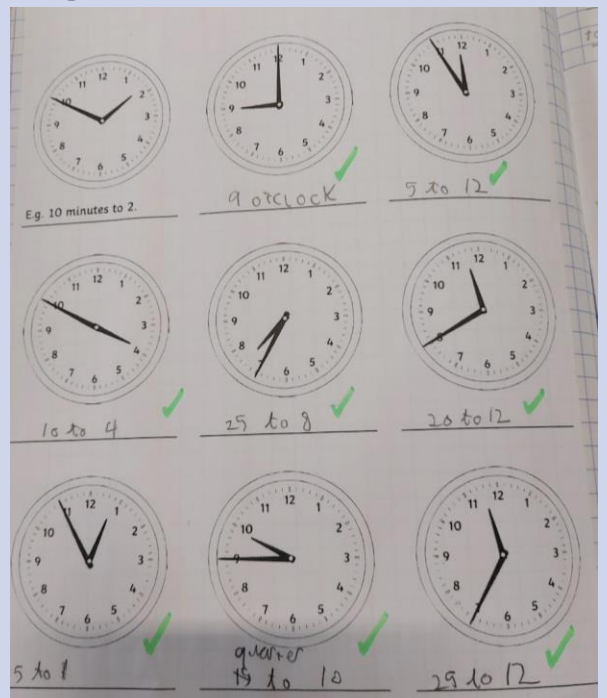
Our star of the week is

Agate, who has approached all learning with a brilliant can-do attitude! She especially shone when sewing with great independence and was so helpful towards others. Keep it up, super star!

Year 3:

Our star of the week is Dexter.

Dexter has done brilliantly in maths this week with telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes, persevering and not giving up. Keep up the good work Dexter!





Year 4:

**Louis is our star of the week for his brilliant effort in practising his handwriting and being the first person in Foxglove class to earn a writing pen!**

**Year 5/6:**

**Ziev for his fantastic work on measuring angles in Maths this week.**

# Notices

## Dates for your diary

**Friday 18th Feb-** Non- School uniform day for LGBT+ History month. Children are invited to wear rainbow colours in support of a day of learning all about LGBT+ History.

This is also the last day of Term 3.



## Change to menu's

Please be aware that we occasionally need to make changes to menu options due to on going delivery issues. Thank you for your understanding.

## Mid-day supervisor job role

We are looking for a mid-day supervisor to join our lovely kitchen team. Applications need to be submitted by 12 noon on Friday 11th February.

[Midday Supervisor](#)

## February Half Term Sports Camp

- 🏆 Monday **Football Frenzy** ⚽ ⚽ ⚽
- 🏆 Tuesday **Survival Skills** 🏕️ 🔥 🗺️
- 🏆 Wednesday **Multisports Mayhem** 🏸 🏀 🏹
- 🏆 Thursday **Mini Olympics** 🏹 🏊 🏆 🏹
- 🏆 Friday **Tennis Grand Slam** 🎾 🎾 🎾

- ★ 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>



## IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

Please click on the link below for useful advice from the NHS as to whether your child may attend school if suffering from a variety of illnesses.

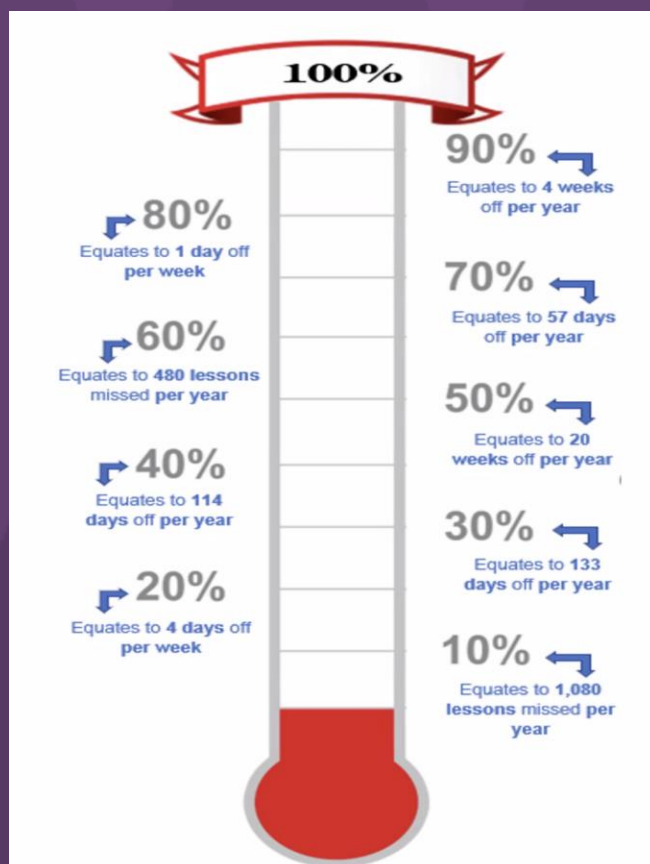
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### 175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR

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%
<b>Good Best Chance of Success</b>		<b>Serious Concern Penalty Notice Considered</b>		<b>Severe Risk Prosecution / Court Action</b>	

w/c .22	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
90.4 %	88.5 %	89.1 %	92.1 %	90.9 %	91.2 %



	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

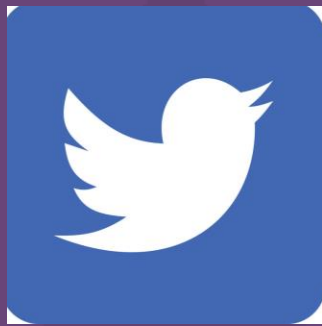


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