

AVANTI GARDENS

SCHOOL

Family Bulletin





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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

We have enjoyed a wonderfully enriching week of learning. The team and I have loved welcoming all pupils back after our half-term break.

As a reward for our much-improved attendance across the entire school, we have today enjoyed a bouncy castle in celebration and as a reward for our combined efforts to attend regularly and promptly. Thank you, parents, for your continued support with this.

World Book Day has been a huge success - planned excellently by our English Lead Mrs Connelly. Children and staff came dressed as their favourite book characters and enjoyed a full day immersed in reading. Staff even performed a WOW activity as 'The Day the Crayons Quit'.

Today LGBT+ awareness day allowed all pupils to understand and empathise with a range of people and their relationships. We celebrated LGBT+ positivity by joining together in wearing rainbow colours this Friday.

I wish you an enjoyable and relaxing weekend — the team and I look forward to welcoming you back at 08:40 on

Monday.

Yours Faithfully,

Mr Milum



CLASS UPDATES



Dear Orchid families,

We have had a very busy start to term 4. We have begun our new topic 'Come Outside'. The children have been playing in their new garden centre (it has been a very busy garden centre!), they have explored seeds and on Wednesday we planted our very own seeds. We cannot wait to watch them grow into beautiful flowers.

In English we have been looking at rhyming words, We have read Oi Frog, Room on the Broom, Duck in a Truck and Squash and a Squeeze. The children have had a go at writing their own rhyming words and sentences.

In Maths we have been looking at grouping and sharing. The children have blown me away with how quickly they seem to have grasped this concept. A class full of mathematicians. On Thursdsy we celebrated World Book Day. The children looked incredible. We had a brilliant day of sharing lots and lots of different stories and talking about why we liked them.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Griffith















Hello Lavender families,

What a wonderful first week back, Lavender class have been busy bees as we started our new topic Come Outside! We have been busy outside planting wild-flowers in flowerbeds we made ourselves. We are very excited to see them grow and the children drew pictures of what they might look like. It was great to see the children's knowledge of what a plant needs to grow!

In English we have been learning all about rhyming and the children have blown me away with their rhyming ability. We have enjoyed 'Oi frog', 'Room on the Broom' and 'Duck in the truck'. They have loved spotting rhyming words in our stories and have challenged themselves to write lists of rhyming words!

In Maths we have been working on our grouping and sharing. Lavender class have really thought carefully about what it means to have a group and how to share fairly. They have also thought about different ways you could group objects by colour, size and object.

We have had lots of themed days this week learning about pancake day, celebrating world book day and the LGBTQ+ community. It has been wonderful to see the children engage with these days with such enthusiasm. They have all put in so much effort and looked fabulous!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Miss Smith





Hello Daffodil Families,

Welcome back to Term 4, I hope you all had a wonderful break over half term.

I want to say a huge THANK YOU to you, the families, and to the fabulous children of our class, for the outstanding effort in costumes for our World Book Day celebrations. We were emersed in reading and all spoke articulately about our favourite books and characters. After an assembly about reasons to read and a performance of 'The Day the Crayons Quit', the children engaged in a range of activities supporting the book.

In Art this week, we began our study of the Bristol artist – Banksy – and sponge painted our initials using a stencil, just like him.

In Science, we became green fingered and planted our own beans. I wonder how they will grow?

As part of our new Geography topic – Our School - we were learning about where we live. We addressed an envelope and sent a letter home to ourselves. Look out for the post!

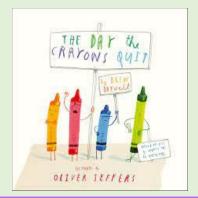
The week ended on a very colourful note – celebrating LGBT+. Thank you again, for your support with our super bright outfits!

With best wishes,

Mrs Connelly







Hello Sunflower families,

We've squeezed so much fun and learning into this week, it's hard to believe it's only the first week of Term 4!

In Maths we have been learning how to make amounts of money through lots of practical learning, like buying our morning snack from our class tuck shop. As adults we have moved away from using coins and notes over the last few years, for obvious reasons, and we have really noticed this in the children's learning. Please do look at money at home with your child if you can, encouraging them to make amounts, and to pay for purchases when shopping.

In English we have been using our inference and retrieval skills to find information within a text. We have also used features of these texts in our own writing including, commas in a list, apostrophes, synonyms and adjectives.

We have enjoyed our first lessons on our new Topic, City Farms, and our science block for this term, Plants.

Enjoy a well-earned break over the weekend. We look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Miss Roberts and Miss Lollover



Dear Iris families,

We've had a brilliant first week of term 4.

The highlight this week was Word Book Day. The children looked brilliant in their costumes and brought in some great books. After a performance by the teachers as crayons from the book, 'The Day The Crayons Quit' we wrote some letters from an object of our choice. We had scissors, flipchart markers and glue sticks all complaining about their treatment!

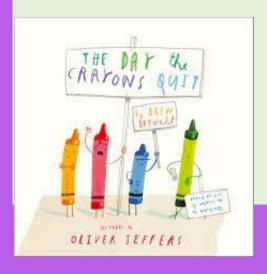
In maths we have continued our fraction learning, finding fractions of amounts and looking at equivalent fractions. Next week will be adding and subtracting fractions.

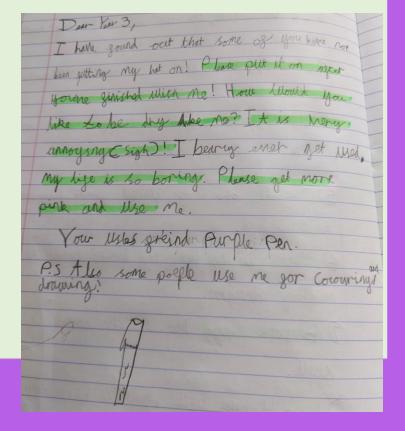
For DT, we have started planning our designs. We will be making houses to withstand a 'flood'. Over the next few weeks, can you please start collecting materials for this – cardboard, plastic, tin cans etc. I will let you know when this needs to be brought into school.

We've had lots more karate bands given out this week, please keep up the daily reading and recording in records.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Dark





Dear Foxglove families,



What a great start we have had to term 4!

On Monday, Foxglove class had their final swimming session. They have all enjoyed going each week and have made good progress in their swimming confidence.

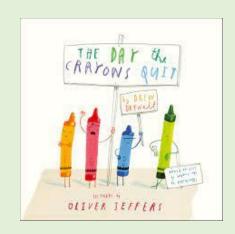
In Maths, we have started to look at telling the time. We'd like to encourage you to keep asking the children to tell you what the time is, so they get lots of practice!

In DT, we researched different torches that are on the market and compared their prices, what audience they are aimed at and what materials they are made from. We will use this information to help us design our own torch in the following lessons.

The highlight of the week has been World Book Day. Everyone's costumes were brilliant, and we loved hearing about the different books they enjoy. We did lots of creative activities surrounding our book of the day which was The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt. The class created poems based on a colour of their choice and what feelings we associate with the colour. We also designed our own front cover for a book, decorated bookmarks and enjoyed a world book day quiz!

Enjoy your weekend,

Miss Kitchen and Miss Forde





Dear Snapdragon Families,

What a fantastic start to Term 4 it has been!

The children really enjoyed World Book Day and it was brilliant to see so many different outfits and books that they brought in from home. Listening to the children talk about their favourite characters was great to hear.

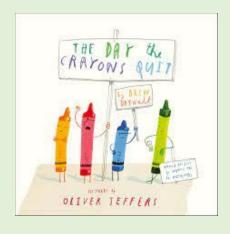
Our English was based around the book 'The Day The Crayons Quit'. The children thought about which other items may quit through overuse or under appreciation and wrote their own letters in the style of the book. It got even worse on Wednesday when our chairs all quit! Fortunately, the children were very persuasive in their letters back to the chairs and we could all sit down again by the end of the day.

In Maths this week we have been looking at multiplying fractions in Year 6 whilst our Year 5s have been solving problems involving fractions of amounts.

We started our DT project this term by looking at creating our own Pop up books. This involved the children choosing their favourite nursery rhymes and then planning what this will look like before they will take them into Year 1.

With best wishes,

Mr Newman



STAR OF THE WEEK

EYFS:

Orchid: This week's star of the week is Esme. Esme has settled into Orchid class wonderfully. She has shown such great enthusiasm in her learning and has been busy in the writing area writing CVC words! Well done, Esme.

Lavender:

This week our star of the week is Mateus! Mateus has been working hard on his independent writing and this week he wrote two sentences on his own. Well done Mateus!

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Year 1

Star of the Week for Daffodils this week is Eben.

Eben is an excellent role model in everything he does. He listens carefully to all adults and peers, and always has a valuable contribution to make to class discussions.

Year 2: Star of the week goes to ALL of Sunflower Class, for their amazing work on WBD. We LOVE books in Y2 and I was so proud of how well every child was able to confidently talk about their favourite storybook characters in front of the whole class.

Year 3: Elsie is our star of the week this week, she wrote a fantastic letter using different types of sentences.



Year 4:

Our star of the week is Qetaire for the hard work he put into creating a colour poem on world book day all about the colour yellow! Well done!

Year 5/6

Our star of the week is Obi for his brilliant persuasive letter on World Book Day. Well done!



Notices

P.T.A

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please be advised that the extension for self nominations and seconding nominations onto the new PTA committee has been extended until midnight on Thursday 10th March.

The short nomination forms can be found here:

Self-nomination

form: https://forms.gle/WHB1a8Kd42USYuqm7

Seconding nomination

form: https://forms.gle/G81a2Nu5UTZky92s7

Voting will take place at the inaugural AGM in the school theatre on Tuesday 15th March from 3:30-4:15pm.

For those considering applying, please don't be put off by the voting system. Voting is the standard mechanism for allocating PTA committee roles. We need people with energy and enthusiasm to nominate themselves, and anyone who missed out on a committee role will be warmly welcomed to support the committee as much as they would like!

Again, if you have any questions, please email <u>avantigardens.pta@gmail.com</u>. Kind regards,

Rebecca.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 8th / Wednesday 9th March – Foxglove Parents Evening

Wednesday 9th / Thursday 10th March – Parents Evening all other classes.

Friday 25th March - Inset Day

IVY AND BLOSSOM'S SPONSORED SLEEP OUT!

Ivy & Blossom are taking part in a sponsored sleep out with just a sleeping bag and ground sheets tonight to raise funds for the amazing charity, Julian House.

See the link below for more information below and the chance to support and donate to this great cause.

Well done Ivy and Blossom, we think you are amazing!



https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alexgear1?utm source=facebook&utm medium=fundraising&utm conten t=alex-gear1&utm campaign=pfpshare&utm term=01be95ec3e7e40e8920d6d7bb209408a



For your information. How to contact 999 if you are unable to speak

Text the word 'register' to 999. You will then receive a text message back to confirm that you want to register your number to contact 999 by text in an emergency. Reply with 'Yes'.

This will then enable you to contact 999 in an emergency where you are unable to talk to an operator either due to safety/ medical emergency.

A free, fun and inspiring afternoon for children, young people and families with top poets and musicians

St. George's Bristol, off Park Street Sunday 10th April 2022 – 2.00pm



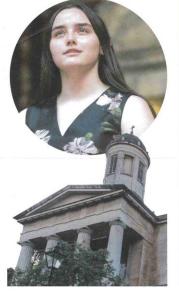












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- Perform a poem together Learn how and join in live
- Hear favourite poems old and new Chosen and performed by local children and young people in the Poetry By Heart competition
- Be inspired by poets Daljit Nagra and clare potter share some of their poems and talk about their writing
- **Earthworks** Poems and music for the planet performed by JOW with poet Bob Walton

BOOK TICKETS VIA

stgeorgesbristol.co.uk or call **0845 402 4001**

info@poetrybyheart.org.uk









Choose a poem • Learn it by heart • Perform it out loud poetrybyheart.org.uk











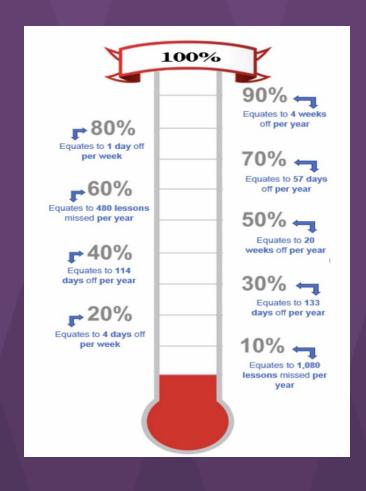
			GOVINDA'S	Spring Term Menu 2022	u 2022	
	Option	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK	Main Option	Green Pesto pasta Lentil Soup & bread Jacket Potato and Cheese	Enchiladas & salsa Cheese Pasty Jacket Potato and Cheese	Veggie Hot Dog Thai Coconut Curry with Rice Jacket Potato with Beans and Cheese	Lasagna Ratatouille Jacket Potato and Cheese	Pizza & Wedges Yellow Dahl and Naan bread Jacket Potato and Cheese
н	Sides	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread
	Dessert	Fruit Yoghurt	Apple Crumble with Custard	Seeded Flapjacks	Chocolate Cake	Ice Cream
WEEK	Main Option	Roasted Vegetable and Tomato Pasta Vegetable Soup & Bread Jacket Potato and Cheese	Quesadillas with Rice and Salsa Mediterranean tart Jacket Potato and Cheese	Stir fry Chinese Noodles Potato Rosti & beans Jacket Potato and Cheese	Veggie Sausage and Mash Veggie Chilli & Rice Jacket Potato and Cheese	Pizza & Wedges Matar Paneer with Naan Bread Jacket Potato and Cheese
2	Sides	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & bread
	Dessert	Fruit Yoghurt	Rice Pudding	Chocolate Mousse	Coconut Cake	Ice Cream
WEEK	Main Option	Mac & Cheese Minestrone Soup & Bread Jacket Potato and Cheese	Burritos with salsa Vegetable Pasta Bake Jacket Potato and Cheese	Burger and Chips Coconut Dhal with rice Jacket Potato and Cheese	Gratin Dauphinois Sweet and Sour Tofu Jacket Potato and Cheese	Pizza & Wedges Chana masala with Naan bread Jacket Potato and Cheese
က	Sides	Salad Bar, Fruits & Bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & Bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & Bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & Bread	Salad Bar, Fruits & Bread
	Dessert	Fruit Yoghurt	Pear Crumble with Custard	Coconut Flapjacks	Carrot Cake	Ice Cream

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.

IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR 175 days to spend on family time, holidays and other appointments									
190 School days for each child's	10 days of absence	19 days of absence	29 days of absence	38 days of absence	47 days of absence				
education	180 days of Education	171 days of Education	161 days of Education	152 days of Education	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 28.02.22	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri				
91.2 %	88.7 %	91.5 %	93.3 %	93.3 %	89.4 %				





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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