



AVANTI GARDENS
SCHOOL

Family Bulletin





Dear Families,

We have enjoyed a week packed full of learning and enjoyment. We have spent time as classes reflecting on the fighting in Ukraine this week – this has been done in an age-appropriate way, speaking about the children's rights.

Thank you for the positive messages we have received this week from families about the work we've been doing with our children on behaviour, attendance, LGBT celebration and more. The team work very hard to ensure children are safe and loving learning – it's been lovely to have this feedback.

A reminder that all medication must come through the office with relevant paperwork completed. For the safety of all of our children, no child should have medication on their person/in their bag.

I wish families an enjoyable and relaxing weekend together. The team and I look forward to welcoming you back for a 08:45 start on Monday.

Yours Faithfully,
Mr Milum



CLASS UPDATES



Dear Orchid families,

This week we have continued with our topic 'come outside'. We have explored non-fiction books and talked about the ways in which we can use them and what their purpose is. The children have had fun sharing non-fiction books with each other in the reading area.

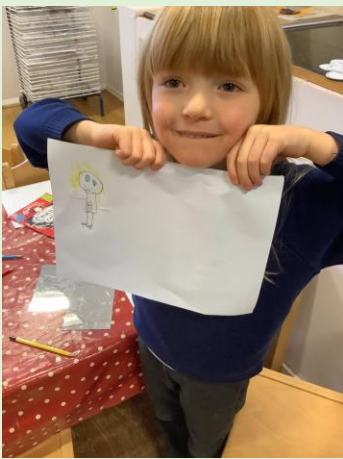
In literacy we have been focusing on prediction. We learnt about what it means to predict, and they we developed this skill by looking at pictures and then books. We looked at their front cover, the title and the blurb and came up with lots of great predictions.

In Maths we have been learning to count in 2s. The children have worked really hard, and we have discussed what patters we notice when we count in twos.

On Tuesday we learned about and celebrated international women's day. We learned about its importance and then the children discussed who the special women are in their lives. Lots of wonderful and heartwarming discussions were had.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Griffith



Hello Lavender families ,



It has been so lovely to be able to share the wonderful work and progress the children have made with you at parents evening this week. This week we have celebrated International Women's Day where we read stories and discussed inspirational women and those who are important to us. We have also continued to explore our topic come outside by learning about the different parts of a plant. In Literacy this week we have been looking at non-fiction and fiction and the differences between them. The children have really enjoyed using non-fiction texts together to find new information. We have also been learning about prediction and they have made some great predictions about stories from their front covers.

In Maths we have been learning to count in 2s! Lavender class have really enjoyed this new concept and have been able to order our numbers from 2 to 20.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Miss Smith





Hello Daffodil Families,

Thank you for your support at parents evening this week it's been lovely to see so many of you all and share the wonderful learning of your children.

In English this week, we have been writing our own character description and have had fun with our imaginations.

In maths, we have continued to work on subtraction by comparison.

In Geography, we looked at aerial photographs from around the area and spotted our school. We were even able to see our classroom! We then made plans of the classroom, thinking about what it would look like if we had a 'bird's eye view'.

We continued to look at plants this week in science and explored the parts of a plant by looking at the roots, stem, leaves and flowers. we designed our own gardens thinking about flowers and vegetables that we could grow. We then took this outdoors and used seeds to make bird feeders.

We were lucky enough to be visited by the Dog's Trust this week, where we found out all about happy dogs and how to be safe around them.

Thank you for returning so many of the letters the children addressed to themselves – we have all enjoyed the extra house points as rewards!

Mrs Connelly



Hello Sunflower families,



This week Year 2 learned the power of the word "yet" when learning to do something new or tricky. We have adopted this as our magic word, and it has had a profound effect on our classroom learning culture. Each child brought home a "yet" magic wand to remind them that this magic word works everywhere, not just in our classroom. Please celebrate when you see your child using this. It really is so powerful!

We have also made bird feeders in outdoor learning, recreated Van Gogh's Sunflowers in the art studio and dissected seeds to learn about germination in Science.

A huge thank you for taking the time to meet with Miss Roberts at parent's evening. It was wonderful to be able to share your child's progress with you. I know you will feel as proud of them as we do!

Homework reminder:

- Spelling – Sent home every Monday
- Reading – Recorded in diary, daily.
- Maths – Timetables Rockstars practise (x10, x2, x5)

Have a lovely weekend everyone. We look forward to seeing you on Monday

Miss Roberts and Miss Lollover



Dear Foxglove families,

Another great week in year 4!



In Reading this week we have been looking at a non-fiction text about nature craft ideas. We have also given out so many reading karate bands, keep up the great work!

In Writing the class innovated their own version of little red riding hood. Their aim was to use a range of prepositions and lots of creative noun phrases. We then published our work after editing it to make improvements.

In Maths, we continued to look at telling the time. Our focus this week was quarter past and quarter to the hour. It would be great if you could challenge the children to tell you the time, the more they practise the more confident they will be.

In ICT we began to look at the different formats you can use to write a range of texts on computers. This week we focused on how we could use newspaper templates to write our own article online and experimented with changing the font styles to match the theme of the article.

In Geography this term we will be learning about the water cycle. The children enjoyed learning about the states of matter in our introduction lesson.

We have also been running a mile a day together for our Ukraine fundraiser – well done team year 4!

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Kitchen and Miss Forde

Dear Snapdragon Families,



It has been another superb week in class.

In English we have been focusing upon using speech to advance the story instead of using description. The children have also thought of some brilliant ways to show character through how the person speaks and the language that they use.

In History we have looked at some key moments from Ancient Greece and placed them on a timeline. We also identified other key moments in History that we know to compare to the Ancient Greeks.

In Science, we learnt about the planets. Each group was assigned a planet to research and then shared their information with the rest of the class.

In Maths, we have been looking at fractions, decimals and percentages. We have been converting between them and identifying equivalents.

With best wishes,

Mr Newman

STAR OF THE WEEK

EYFS:

Orchid: This week's star of the week is Celia. Celia has been working incredibly hard in phonics. She is showing great focus and enthusiasm and as result has made great progress. Well done, Celia.

Lavender:

Our star of the week is Lucas for his amazing efforts in phonics and reading this week! Lucas has worked hard to work independently and has made some brilliant progress! Well done Lucas.



Year 1

Our Star of the Week in Daffodil this week is Molly.

Molly listens carefully to all adults in class and has tried hard in all her learning this week. I am super proud Molly, well done!



Year 2: Star of the week is Wulf. He has put so much effort into all areas of his learning and has really shone in Art, Phonics and Outdoor learning. We are all so proud of you Wulf! Keep up the fantastic work!



Year 3: Our star of the week is Emrys. He has written a fantastic story 'Escape from Bristol' using powerful verbs and fronted adverbials.

Year 4:

Foxglove's star of the week is Kehlani! She has recently joined our class and has worked hard to settle in and always arrives with a smile – keep it up!



Year 5/6:

Ava for her superb story writing this week. We look forward to seeing you on the bookshelves in the future!

Notices

P.T.A

Please check your emails for a letter regarding the up-coming Annual General Meeting and how to nominate for the PTA

Self-nomination form: <https://forms.gle/gqWp7aatieu2ocuBA>
Seconding nomination form: <https://forms.gle/G81a2Nu5UTZky92s7>

The PTA meeting will now be held in the dining hall, rather than the theatre, as originally stated.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 18th March- Comic Relief- Red nose day. The children are invited to wear non- school uniform and donate towards this great charity.



Friday 25th March – Inset Day

Term Dates 2022-2023

	Start	Finish	Inset days
Term 1	1 st September 2022	14 th October 2022	1 st & 2 nd September 14 th October 2022
Autumn Half Term 2022	17 th October 2022	28 th October 2022	
Term 2	31 st October 2022	15 th December 2022	
Christmas Break 2022	16 th December 2022	6 th January 2023	
Term 3	9 th January 2023	10 th February 2023	
Spring Half Term 2023	13 th February 2023	17 th February 2023	
Term 4	20 th February 2023	31 st March 2023	
Easter Break 2023	3 rd April 2023	14 th April 2023	
Term 5	17 th April 2023	26 th May 2023	
Summer Half Term 2023	29 th May 2023	2 nd June 2023	
Term 6	5 th June 2023	21 st July 2023	5 th & 6 th June 2023



Year 4 are Fundraising for Ukraine!

Year 4 students and teaching team are running a marathon around the sunken lawn in order to raise money for Ukraine. The aim of the game is to run one mile each day between now and the end of term. The students are running 10 laps to equate to 1 mile each day. We started on Monday and can confirm we have already run 5 miles!

Year 4 have individual sponsorship forms, and next week will be aiming to gather 5 sponsors each. We will also be taking whole class donations from the teachers and other Avanti Gardens families at reception.

We would appreciate your encouragement and support to raise all we can for those who need it!

QETARIE AND MAKONNEN'S AMAZING FUNDRAISING

Congratulations to Qetarie in Foxglove class who has raised a huge amount for those in Ukraine by sleeping outside in a tent with his brother.



They had hoped to raise £500, but they absolutely smashed their target and have raised £1,030 so far!

If you would like to read more, see more photos or add your own donation, which will go to Unicef, click on the link below.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/d9797b7032ed0094d6822f3bd73e472a>



UNITED FOR UKRAINE



The Avanti Schools Trust are partnering with The Lotus Trust to support fundraising efforts during this time.

Please see link to the campaign:
<https://justgiving.com/campaign/unitedforukraine> if you would like to make a donation.

Step 1

Support affected individuals within the Crisis zone

Step 2

Help Ukranian refugees who have fled to neighbouring countries

Step 3

Initiatives to rehabilitate and rebuild the lives of those impacted



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1					
Option					
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
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 2					
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
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 3					
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
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?

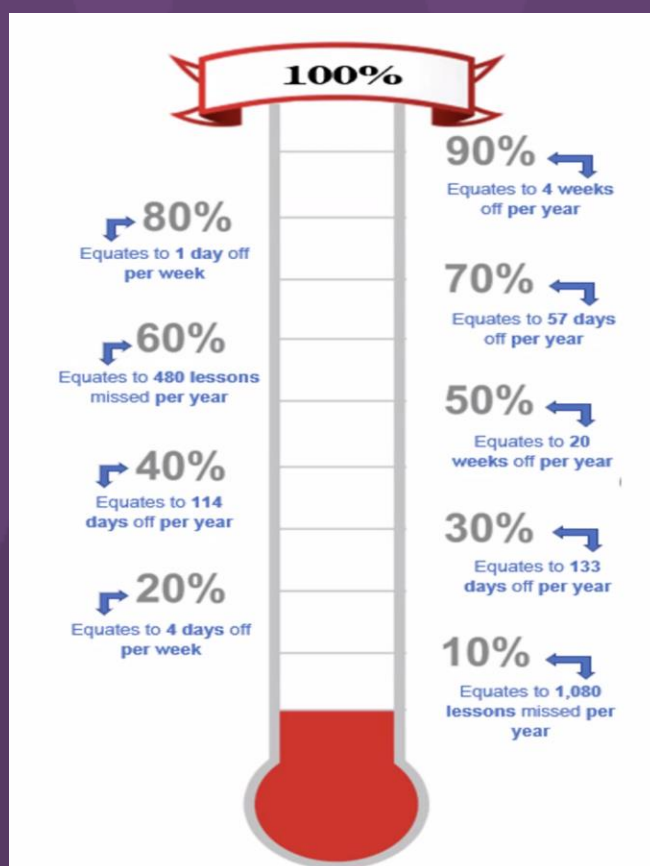
Please click on the link below for useful advice from the NHS as to whether your child may attend school if suffering from a variety of illnesses.

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

w/c 07. 03.22	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
87.3 %	89.9 %	88.4 %	88.5 %	87 %	82.7 %





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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/>

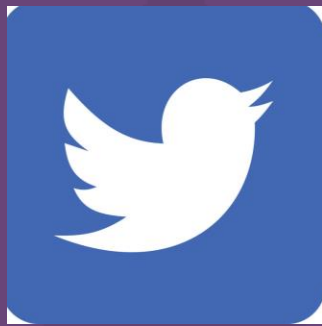
Or speak to Mrs Blackwell in school for accessing support for your child

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