

A WEEK AT AVANTI HOUSE primary school

Thought of the Week

If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely. We have been focussing on this thought for two weeks and we have seen such a positive impact on our children's behaviour in school, but it doesn't stop there, children are talking about changing their behaviour at home and being more grateful for all that their families do for them.

We have seen a change in playground behaviour, where children are catching children being kind and positive towards each other and wanting to congratulate each other. I had a very positive conversation with Mayur Bakrania, Year 5JJ, this week, where he has been sharing many great ideas to help make the school a better place, please see a quote from him below:

By Roald Dahl

'No matter where you are, no matter what you do, no matter what you are thinking- you should always have hope and never give up!

Every summer has its own story!

I am very proud to share with you the dedication of Om Shah, Year 2PP. Om has been planting and nurturing Tulsiji and has been giving the plants away to family and friends, since hearing about the Gita Walk and the initiative from Mr Hirani he has been accepting small donations and now has about 75 people waiting to receive their Tulsi plant. He will be donating all proceeds towards supporting the Haveli.

This is a true example of how the ethos of the school supports our children's spiritual development and character formation!



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Educational Visits

Why is Educational Visits Valuable?

Part of how students benefit from Educational trips is by gaining new perspectives on the world; children are also given the opportunity to learn in a new environment with new instructors. Educational visits may also give children a chance to interact with students from other schools as they learn together or participate in group activities. There are of course many other advantages of providing Educational Visits, the extension to the curriculum and bringing real life experiences directly to the children are all purposeful.

Knowing this we are bewildered at the percentage of families who choose not to pay for these experiences, sadly the school cannot pay for every child on every visit, hence the voluntary contribution. The payment is voluntary but if we do not receive enough funds we simply cannot continue providing these wonderful experiences.

In spring term alone we organised 11 interactive experiences and 10% of families chose not to pay. Definitely food for thought.

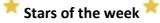
Police Visits

Last week Years 1 to Year 5 had a visit from the local Police, they talked about how the police help the community stay safe and also showed some of the weapons they carry to keep themselves and others safe.

"We enjoyed the police visit because we learnt about the different weapons the police carry! We know the weapons are dangerous but they are only used to protect the police and members of the public." Year 1TT

'The workshop was engaging and informative, we learned about e safety and how your behaviour, when using social media apps, can be seen as bullying.' Kia Pandya 5JJ

'I learned that you had to be a certain age before you can use apps like Snap Chat and Instagram.' Ansh Somani 5JJ



Each week children are awarded a Star of the Week certificate in recognition of exceptional work in the classroom.

This week's stars are:

Busy Bees: Eshaan Majevadia and Yuvraj Channe Laughing Ladybirds: Samraat Sonee and Reece Patel 1DD: Dyanna Kerai and Saburi Soni 1TT: Sheyna Varsani and Narayani Paretha 2FF: Richa Patel and Charmi Dadia 2PP: Dev Khakhar and Dhruvi Patel 3KK: Krisha Makwana and Darshan Patel 3GG: Dhwani Bhudia and Dheer Shah 4RR: Aneesh Chamarty and Leea Patel 4HH: Khushi Momaya and Leila Nandha 5SS: Diya Patel and Anaiya Varsani 5JJ: Vibha Thimirishanmug and Mahi Channe



Attendance trophy

The school is working on further improving attendance, overall it currently stands at 97.3% which is above national standards, however we recognise that good attendance results in better progress. Mr Halliday has introduced an attendance trophy which is presented, weekly, to the class with the highest attendance. Well-done to 5JJ for 100% attendance last week. I believe Mrs

Leach's teaching is infectious!

Working with Belmont School

Avanti House Primary has linked up with Belmont School, a local outstanding school (as per Ofsted judgements)

On Monday 11th June, 9 of our teaching staff visited Belmont Primary School in Harrow Weald for a series of events focusing on teaching and learning and the moderation of our pupils writing. In our drive to become an outstanding school we are looking at the practices of schools that are already outstanding. The picture for Avanti House is very positive. Our pupils writing that we took with us for year 2 and 5 compared very favourably with the writing of other children. Our Greater Depth writers are doing a fantastic job. Onwards and Upwards!

Richard Halliday Deputy Principal