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MESSAGE FROM  
THE PRINCIPAL



# The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers.

As we now reach the end of the school year staff and pupils are preparing for changes in September. We have our transition day on Wednesday 7th July where our year 8 pupils will be attending Frome College for the morning, and all other years will be 'moving up' to their new classes and meeting new teachers. As you know we have kept change to a minimum where this has been possible as we have all had such a disrupted year and so for most pupils there is no change at all!

## Attendance

As you know maintaining a high school attendance is crucial for us and we have noticed an increase in the last few weeks of casual days off being taken here and there for camping trips, visiting relatives amongst other reasons. We have a six-week holiday coming up in three weeks and so please can I ask that you work with us to ensure your child is in school every day unless they are unwell. If your child is away unwell it is vital that you let the school know either by email ([absence.ap@avanti.org.uk](mailto:absence.ap@avanti.org.uk)) or by phone (01373 832804). It causes a huge amount of extra work for the office team if they are not made aware of why your child is away from school. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

## PTFA

Rivka Fine is standing down as Chair of the PTFA at the end of this term. She has worked incredibly hard to set up the new PTFA this year with the other committee members. I am sure you will join with me in thanking her for the time she has given to the school over the last few months. I had the pleasure of an actual in person meeting with the PTFA this week! There are so many exciting plans afoot and they would love to welcome parents new and old to join the PTFA to support the school into the future. They recently sent out a questionnaire about school fundraising. It only takes a couple of minutes to complete and so can I encourage you to do this to help steer the fundraising events and future spending of the PTFA.

I hope you have a fantastic weekend,

With best wishes Abby Atkins



## Dates for your Diary




## Summary of changes to Transition Events:

Due to the recent government announcement saying that the current Covid-19 restrictions will continue until 19.07.21, we have had to revise our transition plans.

These changes will only affect the parents and carers of our current Reception - Year 5 pupils.

**Rescheduled: 20.07.21 - (4:00-5:30pm) New Date for amalgamated Meet the Teacher (4:00-4:30pm) & Celebration of Learning (4:30-5:30pm).**



**INSET DAY CHANGE FOR  
2021/2022**  
Inset no longer on Fri 25<sup>th</sup>  
June.  
New Inset day added on  
Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> June



# Dates for your Diary

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
<b>JULY</b>							
Week B	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> Transition Day (all classes move up & Year 8 to Frome College)	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup> Stay & Play (new starters)	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>
Week A	12 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup> Years 3 – 6 Olympics showcase 2.15pm	16 <sup>th</sup> Years 7 & 8 Olympics showcase 9.30am	17 <sup>th</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup>
Week B	19 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup> Meet the teacher/ Celebration of learning years 1- 5	21 <sup>st</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup> Bake and Book Sale 3- 4pm	23 <sup>rd</sup> LAST DAY OF TERM	24 <sup>th</sup> SUMMER HOLS	25 <sup>th</sup> SUMMER HOLS

DATE	TIME	AGE 12 J-2 OF JOURNALING CELEBRATION RESCUE MUSIC THE	STAGE	4PM 2916 3- BOOK AND BAYK6	OF TERM LAST DAY	HOURS SUMMER	HOURS SUMMER
06/08	72	30	31	33	33	34	33

# Attendance

Our Whole school Attendance for last week: 94.4%

Our whole school Attendance for this week: 93.2%

Our Whole school Target for Attendance is 97% - 100%

And each class attendance for last two weeks together:

92.30%	96.40%	95.70%	97.30%	92.50%	94.80%	92.80%	95.80%	98.20%	97.10%	86.70%	95.50%	83.30%
Reception Maple	Reception Pine	Ash	Oak	Cherry	Chestnut	Rowan	Sycamore	Cedar	Holly	Hazel	Year 7	Year 8



\*\*\* EARLIER ARRIVAL TIMES IN THE MORNING \*\*\*

All lower school children will now arrive at the same time 8:40 a.m.

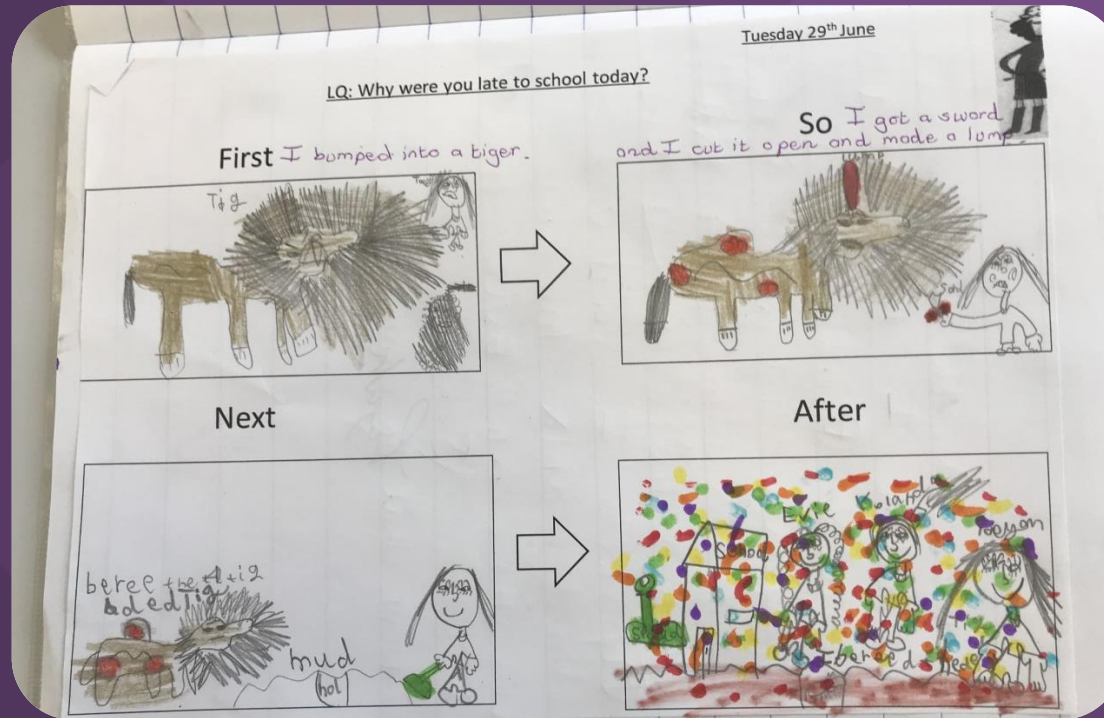
Years 1 - 6 children will be taken into class at 8:50, the gates are closed at 8:50 a.m.

Year 7 & 8 need to be in class by 8:45 a.m.

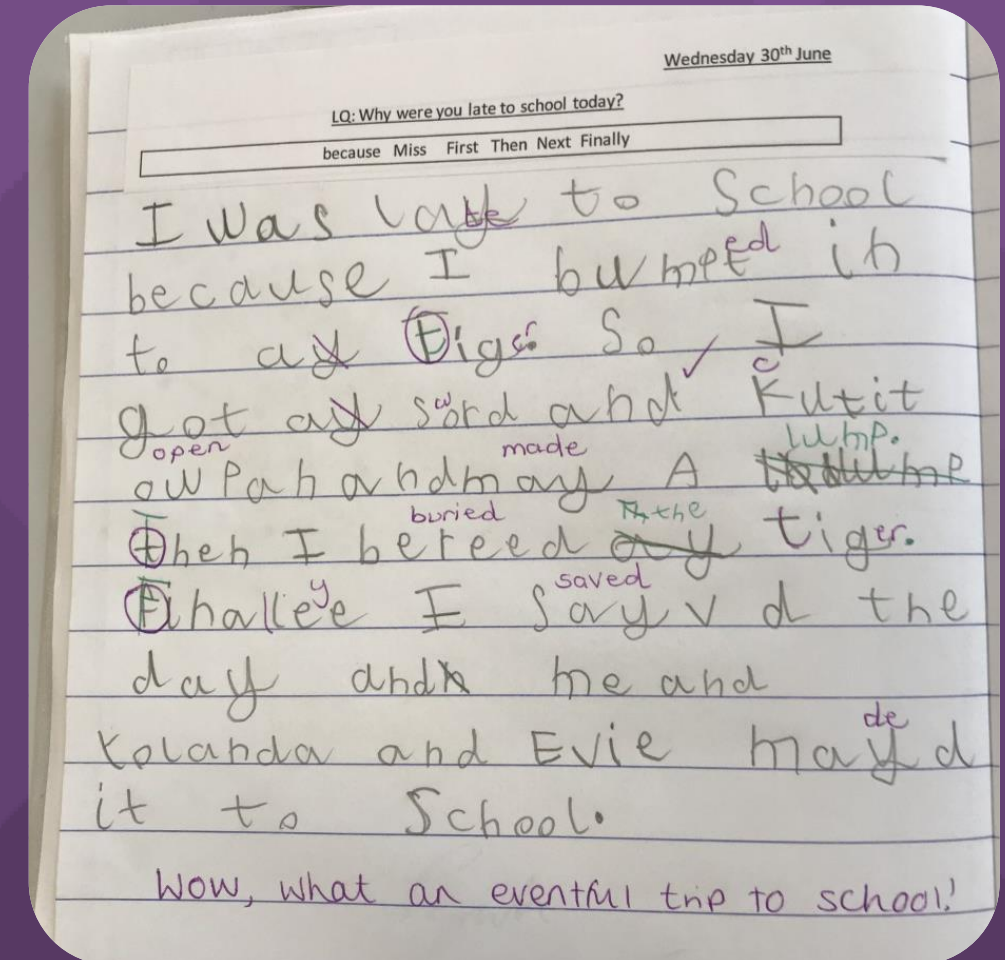
Kathryn Mason



# Celebration of Learning



Year 1 have been building an imaginative retelling of what may have happened on the way to school, based on 'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to School' by David's Cali.







## Word of the Week:

EYFS: sweet

Y1: brittle

Y2: understand

Y3/4: devour

Y5: persevere

Y6: Laborious

Year 2 have been practising extended writing including the word 'but' to explore different points of view.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June

LQ: Why were you late to school today?

because Miss First Then Next Finally

I was <sup>late</sup> to School  
because I <sup>bumpted</sup> it  
to a <sup>big</sup> ~~big~~ So I  
got a <sup>word</sup> ~~word~~ about Kuttit  
<sup>open</sup> a <sup>made</sup> ~~word~~ A <sup>lump</sup> ~~lump~~  
<sup>buried</sup> ~~the~~ I <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ tiger.  
<sup>saved</sup> ~~the~~ I <sup>saved</sup> ~~the~~ the  
day and me and  
Kolanda and Evie <sup>de</sup> ~~may~~ it  
to School.

Wow, what an eventful trip to school!



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25

June



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Success criteria

I can use the correct punctuation.

I can use a new line for each new speaker.

I can up-level the reporting clauses (better words than 'said').

I can include an adverb in my speech sentence.

Me

Teacher

✓

✓

✓

✓



A great piece of  
work by Otto P.  
in year 4

After travelling for days, Heracles finally arrived at the mountain where his old friend Prometheus was chained. ✓

"Are you another poor <sup>soul</sup> who needs help with something?" kindly greeted Prometheus. ✓

"Don't you remember?" asked Heracles <sup>puzzled</sup>.  
"It's me your old friend Heracles." ✓

"Hu? <sup>++</sup> can you speak up please," said Prometheus who looked like he was talking to himself. ✓

"I said it's me Heracles," yelled Heracles in Prometheus' ear. ✓

"Oh," sighed Prometheus with a <sup>soul</sup> of compassion in his voice. "What can I do for you Heracles?" enquired Prometheus. he enquired. ✓

"I need to find the garden of the Hesperides so I can steal golden apples," exclaimed Heracles with a tinge of urgency in his voice. ✓

Now! "Well I don't know that but I know who lose," chuckled Prometheus with a gleam in his eye. ✓

"But I will only tell you if you break my chains and let me go," seeing this as a chance to get revenge on Jupiter. ✓

Go and show Mr McKinley!



## Examples of Spanish work

**Las Partes De La Casa** (45 Cedar) Max

Completa las partes de la casa usando el vocabulario de la caja

Handwritten labels on the diagram:

- El baño
- El pasillo
- EL Atico
- La habitación
- El comedor
- La terraza acristalada
- El salón
- EL porche
- Las escaleras
- El sótano
- EL lavadero

El sótano	La cocina	El pasillo	El baño	La terraza acristalada	El comedor
La habitación	El ático	El porche	El salón	Las escaleras	El lavadero

By Max W. - Cedar

SHEESH

CAR\_MEN e Pillarr  
JUAN PABLO Jorg...

HOLA México  
me llamo Carmen y vivo en ~~la~~ y  
Ciudad de México. ✨ ✨ ♡♡  
Hablo español

Hola  
me llamo pilar y vivo en España y  
en Madrid xx Hablo español

HOLA  
ME LLAMO JUAN PABLO y vivo en  
CUBA y en La Habana!!!  
Hablo español

Hola  
me llamo Jorge y vivo en Perú y  
en Lima :- Hablo español

Arwen T. - Hazel



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Children in Year 5 have been learning all about Fair Trade and how being a Fair-Trade farmer can have huge benefits for the farmer themselves and for their communities. We have been writing letters in the role of a fair-trade farmer and looking at a case-study of a co-operative of cocoa bean farmers in Honduras. Children have applied their knowledge of the subject and the grammar skills we have been looking at to write the fantastic pieces in the photos.

Oscar - Holly Class - a letter from a fair-trade farmer

Lilia - Holly Class - a letter from a fair-trade farmer

Sarina - a case study of farmers in Honduras.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021

How do I use my notes to write my notes in pole?

Dear Oscar,

I hope things are going well at your cacao farm! I have just made a choice which has changed my life! I have moved to Fairtrade farming! I was fed up with not having enough money to feed and clothe my family so I got in touch with the Fairtrade Foundation and now I am back on track and ready to grow more bananas! Now, I actually have an income - yes!

Kara Isabella - my friend who helps out at the farm - I think you know her - and I have ~~been~~ <sup>been</sup> going to the weekly gatherings at the Fairtrade Hall near the orange farm - it really helps! I really recommend trying Fairtrade out - you'll get a better income!

~~Please reply soon,~~

Please reply soon,

Lilly  
x x x x

(HP)





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Wednesday 23rd June

How do I use my notes to write in a role?

Dear Pablo,

How are things with you? I'm sorry I haven't written for a while but you won't believe what happened. I'm a fair trade farmer - a farmer who gets paid a fair price - I really recommend it. If I plant five banana trees I get £5. I think you should sign up right now. It will give you a better lifestyle and you'll get money to support ~~community~~ your community (education, health and sanitation). You will also get <sup>special</sup> training <sup>and</sup> a Fair trade premium.

Tuesday 29th June 2021

L.Q. Can I apply my knowledge of relative clauses?

A group of fair trade farmers have grouped together. Today, cocoa farmers in Copan work hard to grow the cocoa bean plant which is becoming our delicious chocolate. Chocolate was first grown in Honduras, Central America, thousands of years ago, and the chocolate-bean is still loved - is made from the cocoa bean. Fair trade farmers face many challenges. In 2020, Honduras were hit by a devastating hurricane and before that drought and disease - due to climate change - made it difficult for the farmers to grow coffee, so they decided to focus on cocoa. They plant trees and grow cocoa plants in a cocoa nursery and the trees provide food and a habitat for the wildlife.

In 2021, they the fair trade group built a factory, the chocolate is run by young women. Together farmers and workers make chocolate bars and the whole chocolate bar are loved by people in Honduras and around all around the world. So when you go into a shop and buy some chocolate, you help that fair trade group!

1P) Great use of relative clauses.


# Dress code/Uniform

## UNIFORM DEADLINE:

Please Order by the 1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST for home delivery before the start of new term.

Current lead time = 8-10 weeks



Brigade Clothing Ltd

# SUMMER ORDERING DEADLINES

# 2021

Option 2


Service	Order by	For delivery
Parents delivery to Home	1/8/21	Before start of new term


Please advise your parents to order as early as possible to allow sufficient time to reorder if required.

Please note new deadline date

Please visit [www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com](http://www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com) to place your order.

Unit 15 Binns Close, Coventry, CV4 9TB  
Tel: 024 7642 1083





Please click on the link below or visit our website for details on the Uniform requirements for September 2021

[Avanti Park Uniform Requirements Sept 2021](#)



# PTFA ~ NEWS



The end of term may be nearing, but there's still plenty going on behind the scenes as we gear up for our end of term Bake and Book sale! The sale will take place between 3 and 4.00pm on the last Thursday before the end of term (July 22nd). More details to follow soon.

Our PTFA furniture sale is underway. We are selling a range of good quality, second hand wooden desks that the school no longer needs. Details of the desks and prices can be found on the next page. All of the proceeds will be split 50:50 between the school and the PTFA (to support school events, set-up a hardship fund, subsidise enrichment activities, etc.). We will open up the sale to the wider community of Frome at the end of next week, so please be sure to get your order in soon if you don't want to miss out!

Last, but by no means least, don't forget to have your say in our PTFA survey. This is a great opportunity share your views about PTFA fundraising efforts and activities for the next academic year. We want to hear from as many of you as possible, including your children, so please ask them to share their ideas and views with you too.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Avanti Park PFTA [avantiparkptfa@gmail.com](mailto:avantiparkptfa@gmail.com)



# PTFA ~ FUNDRAISING



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Avanti Park PTFA have agreed to sell some wooden furniture (desks and chairs), which are no longer required by the school.

50% of money raised will go directly to the school, and 50% will be retained by the PTFA to help fund equipment or activities that the PTFA will support in the 2021/22 academic year. We are hoping to raise approximately £1,000 through these sales.

There are a number of items available for sale - on a first come first served basis. All furniture will be sold as seen and we are unable to guarantee the condition/markings of each piece - for example; most items are marked in some way.

Weather permitting, some examples of the furniture will be available to view before and after school this coming week.

- single desks with hinged top
- double desks with hinged tops (old)
- double desks with hinged tops (new)
- double desks with storage shelf

[Click here](#) to view details of the items (photos and measurements) and complete the form to indicate which items you are interested in, and the number of items preferred. Prices are minimum suggested donation, to ensure affordability for as many parents as possible. If you would like to pay more then please do.



Once we have received your form and checked stock availability we will be in touch to arrange payment (Paypal preferred). When payment has been received we will be in touch again in order to arrange collection.

Thanks for your support

Avanti Park PTFA [avantiparkptfa@gmail.com](mailto:avantiparkptfa@gmail.com)

# Buy-a-book Scheme



A huge thank you to the families who have already made generous donations to the PTFA buy-a-book scheme. Pictured are some of the wonderful donated books that the school have already received.

The scheme is still running, so if you think you might like to donate a book to the School, here's how it works:

- Teachers at the school have worked hard to put together a list of books they'd love to add to the school library. (Here is a link: The list is long! [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Gd8m6l5-7CvZ9FDDiPphScjD8zgn7\\_yY/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Gd8m6l5-7CvZ9FDDiPphScjD8zgn7_yY/view?usp=sharing) )
- Parents (or anyone else!) are invited to buy a book from the list through Hunting Raven, who are kindly holding this list for us; you can buy over the phone or in person.
- You could choose a title you love from the list or get Hunting Raven to choose for you!
- The PTFA will collect the books from Hunting Raven and bring them to the school.
- Please mention to Hunting Raven that you are purchasing the book for our school library so they can apply a 12.5% discount.
- Hunting Raven will let us know who has donated which book, we will remove the title from our list and the PTFA will add a 'donated by' stamp, inside the cover to recognise your generous contribution. Please consider buying a book to grow the library, and share with grandparents, carers and other friends and supporters of the school!



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# Notices

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## A message from Forest School

Dear Parents, we are putting together some new equipment for next years forest school. If anyone has any old pots and pans or baking trays we would love some for our new mud kitchen. If anyone has any old climbing ropes they are no longer using again forest school would love to use these. Please arrange to drop these to our reception, many thanks and we look forward to September when all primary children will take part in forest school, best wishes, Liz Clarke

## THANK YOU!!

Thanks to those of you who have taken the time to nominate members of staff for special thanks. Your thoughtful and supportive words of gratitude have been passed on to the relevant staff members who have been really touched by your comments. We all really appreciate the positive messages of love and support.

To nominate a member of staff for special thanks please click below

<https://avanti.org.uk/avantipark/parents/staff-nominations-for-special-thanks/>



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# The Big Bee Challenge



The Big Bee Challenge is Radio 2's brand new competition for kids, in partnership with the Royal Horticultural Society.

It's a fun and creative way to learn more about bees and other insects that help provide much of the food we eat, and are essential for a healthy environment

- If you are between the ages of 6 and 12, we want you to draw a bright, buzzy garden that will attract bees and other pollinating insects.
- Grab pens, pencils, crayons and paint and get creative, we want you to let your imagination run wild!
- Our team will turn the winning design into a real life garden at an NHS Trust site used by children and young people with mental health needs.
- Think about the plants that bees love. Remember bees also get thirsty and they need a safe place to rest and lay their eggs. And don't forget a place where you could sit to enjoy your glorious garden!
- Then write 3-5 sentences telling us more about your drawing and why you want to help the bees.
- Your entries need to reach us by 6pm on Monday 5 July.
- Click [here](#) for details on how to enter and prizes



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