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MESSAGE FROM THE
PRINCIPAL



The Avanti Park Post

Welcome to our Avanti Park Newsletter. In this communication with parents and carers, we aim to bring together our whole school community by working together and sharing ways to support our young people and their families.

Dear parents and carers

Welcome back! I hope you all managed to have a good break and managed to spend time with family and friends. I managed to get abroad which was a real treat and super-hot! It was a shock to come back from 40 degrees to 18 when we landed back in London. Typically, after a very grey August we have come back to school to some beautiful weather. A lovely way to start the school term but somewhat annoying at the same time.

It has been wonderful this week to see your children come back with the enthusiasm and joy that they ended the term with in July. The school uniform really adds to that sense of school community and so thank you for supporting us with this. The classrooms look wonderful, and the staff have worked hard to get everything ready for this week to welcome the children back.

We have an incredible 70 new children and 4 new staff starting this term. I know you will join with me in welcoming them to our wonderful Avanti Park family.

It takes a while for everyone to get their stamina back after a long break and so I'm sure your children need the weekend to recover after a busy week. Have a great weekend.

With best wishes Abby Atkins, Principal.

SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

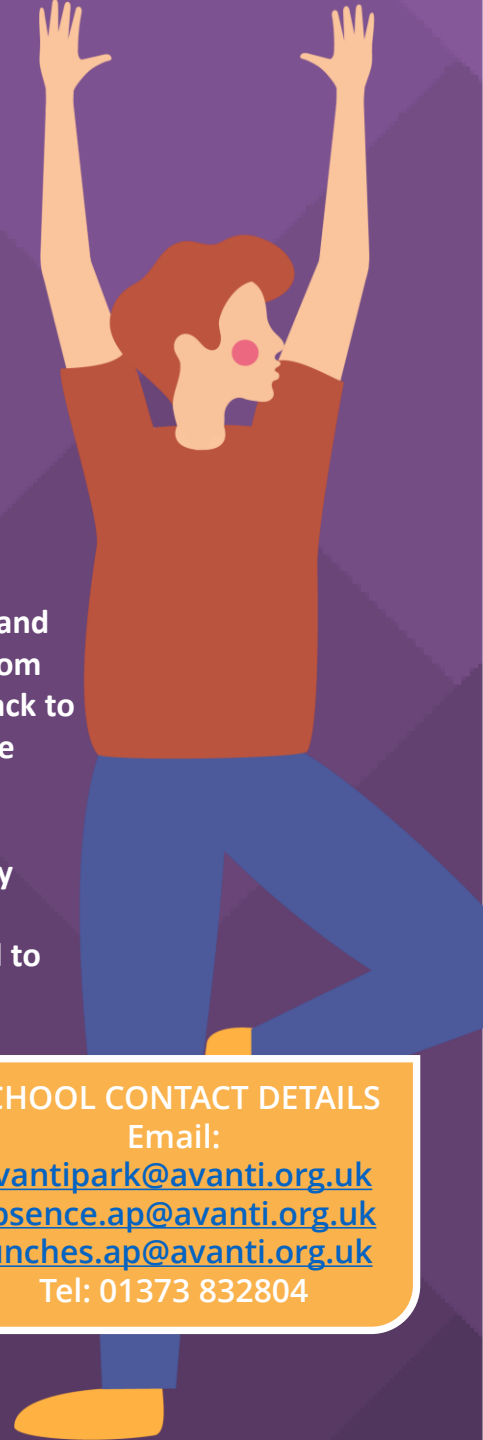
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Safeguarding at Avanti Park



We take safeguarding very seriously at Avanti Park School. All staff received safeguarding training last week and have read the latest safeguarding documentation from the Department for Education.

Safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone who works in the school, and in addition every school has staff who hold the overall responsibility for safeguarding. At Avanti park School these staff are:

Jen McMillan



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Abby Atkins



Designated Safeguarding Lead

Sarah-Jo Robinson



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

If you ever have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the school immediately on 01373 832804



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A warm Welcome



We are delighted to announce that we have had lots of children join Avanti Park over the Summer who have made a great job at settling in to their new classes. We would like to extend a very warm welcome to those children and their families and hope that they have a wonderful journey at Avanti Park.

Welcome to: Mylo, Milo, Ernest, Emmeya, Max, Eliza, Fenner, Arno, Wren, Hebe, Thea, Ayanna, Bridie, Sophie, Tove, Orla, Elwood, Karma, Elliott, Leo.S, Rowan, Hudson, Leo.F, Cora, Zachary, Sofia & William

Also to our Reception and Nursery children who will be joining us next week. We can't wait to welcome you!

NEW STAFF

We are also very lucky to have some wonderful new members of staff joining us at Avanti Park this year!

Beth French – Year 1 Beech Class teacher

Helen Robertson – Year 7 and 8 Spanish teacher

Rachel Cornish – Year 7 and 8 PE teacher

Rachel Davies (returning from maternity leave) – Reception Maple Class teacher

Abi Reed – Teaching Assistant



Dates for your Diary

For more information about key dates and events coming up, please go to our school website:

<https://avanti.org.uk/avantipark/curriculum/calendars/>

Summary of Upcoming Events:

14.09.21 - Welcome to the Year Group Meetings (Years 1-8) - For years 1-6, these will take place in your child's classroom from 4:00-4:45pm. For years 7 & 8, the meeting will take place in U2 from 4:00-4:45pm. Please enter and leave via the Craft Street gates.

21.09.21 - EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) Baseline Workshop - 5:00-6:00 pm - This session will be ran by Miss Robinson and the EYFS team and will take place in the main hall. Please enter and leave via the main reception.

28.09.21 - Early Reading Workshop - 5:00-6:00 pm - This session will be ran by Miss Robinson and Miss Doran and will take place in the main hall. Please enter and leave via the main reception.

Open Day for prospective reception parents on 21st October and a virtual open day on 24th November. We are also holding a Teddy Bears Picnic on the 30th Sept for all prospective Reception/Nursery children (Sept 2022 start)
Please visit our website using the link below to book a place.

<https://avanti.org.uk/avantipark/>



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Term Dates 2021/2022

Autumn Term:

AUTUMN 1 - Monday 6th September 2021 - Friday 22nd October 2021
(Inset Days: Thurs 2nd, Friday 3rd Sept)

Half Term - Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October

AUTUMN 2 - Monday 1st November - Fri 17th December
(Inset Day: Fri Nov 12th)

Spring Term:

SPRING 1 - Tuesday 4th January 2022 - Friday 18th February 2022

Half Term - Monday 21st February – Friday 25th February

SPRING 2 – Monday 28th February - Friday 8th April

Summer Term:

SUMMER 1 - Monday 25th April 2022 - Friday 27th May 2022

Half Term - Monday 30th May - Friday June 3rd

SUMMER 2 - Monday 6th June - Friday 22nd July
(Inset Days: Thurs June 9th & Fri June 10th)

INSET DAYS:

Thurs 2nd September and Friday 3rd September 2021
Friday 12th November 2021
Thursday June 9th 2022
Friday June 10th 2022



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Beginning and end of school arrangements



Start of the day arrangements:

- Gates open at 8.40am and will close at 8.50am
- Reception to Year 3 pupils and parents enter via the Craft Street Gate (the gate next to the main entrance).
- Year 4-8 pupils and parents enter via the Pond Gate (in the car park)
- Pupils in Reception classes line up outside of their classroom doors
- Pupils in Years 1-6 line up in the playground (years 4 & 5) on the foursquare
- Teachers will take their class to the classroom at 8.45am and so it is important that children arrive at school on time.
 - Pupils in Year 7 and 8 go straight to their tutor room by 8.45am
 - All parents leave the school site by 8.50am via the Pond Street gate.
- Late arrivals at school should enter the school through Cherry Blossom (follow the signs)

End of the day arrangements:

- Craft Street gate will open at 3.10pm for parents
- Parents should make their way to the external doors of the classrooms to collect their children apart from Rowan and Cedar class who have no external doors. These children will be brought to the front entrance of the Chantry Building.
- All parents and pupils will leave the site by the Craft Street Gate. The gate will close at 3.30pm and so all parents and children will need to have left by then.
 - Please be on time to collect your children from school.

From Week 1 in Key Stage 1

The instrument maker: Culture over the last 100 years

Mr Seccombe brought in his instruments to show us. He has a bow psaltery, which is a stringed instrument and he makes these himself with a friend. He also has a bodhran, which is an Irish drum and belongs to the percussion family. Enki told us that the noise for stringed instruments is made by the echo chamber and Arno explained what the rhythm is that the drum sounds out.

Thank you Mr Seccombe for showing us your instruments, we really enjoyed listening to them!



Dress code/Uniform



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 visit www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com to place your order.

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

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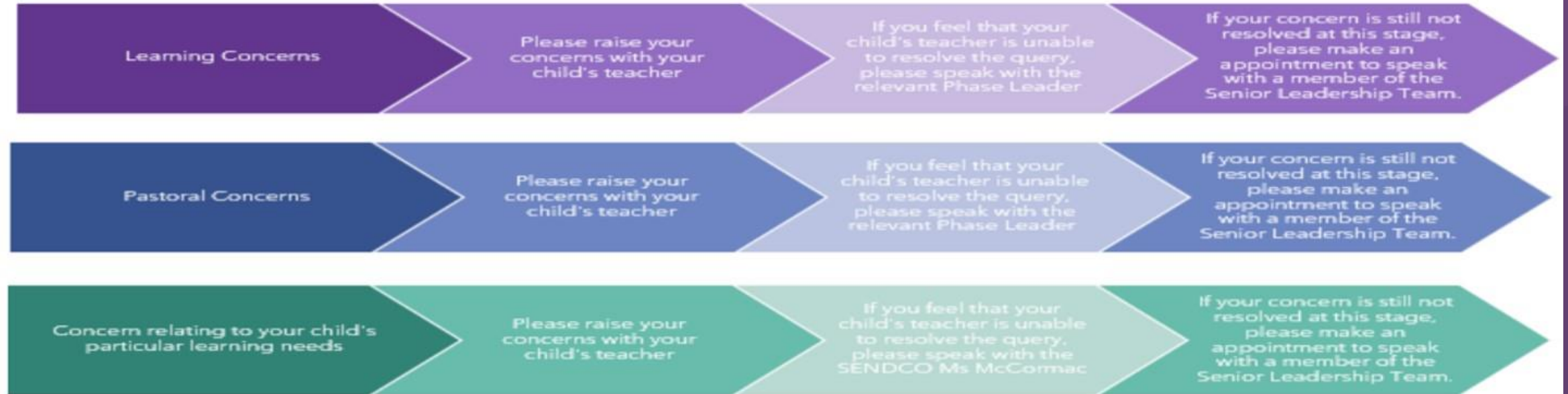
Please click on the link below or visit our website for details on the Uniform requirements for September 2021

[Avanti Park Uniform Requirements Sept 2021](#)

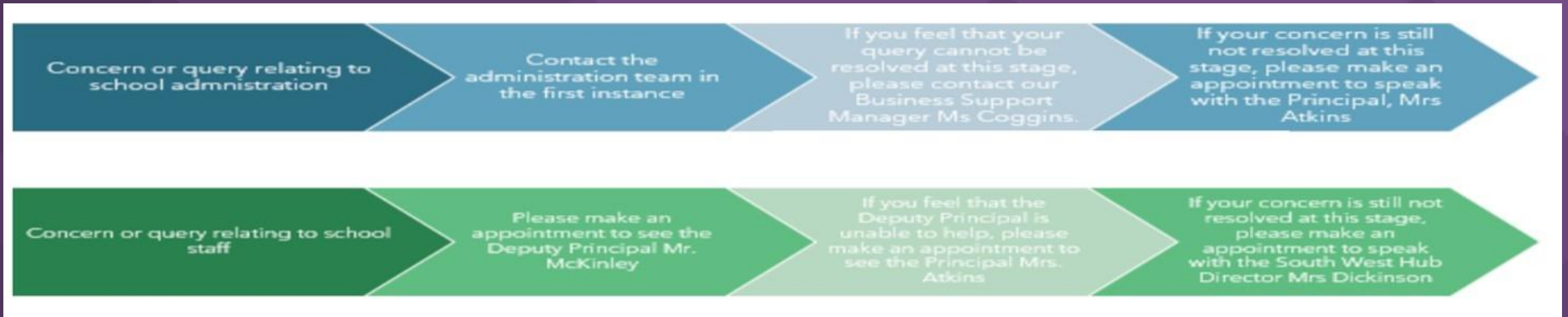
The trust are providing each child with 1 free jumper. If you have not yet ordered yours, please ring the school office on 01373 832804. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Communications

AVANTI PARK SCHOOL COMMUNICATION AGREEMENT



Communications



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UN Rights Respecting Bronze Award

We are very pleased to let you know that our school has been awarded the UN Rights Respecting Bronze award. This is the first step in becoming a Rights Respecting school. The whole school community will now work towards the next stage which is the Silver award. A Rights Respecting school develops strategies and runs projects and focus days that uphold and promote the United Nations framework of internationally recognised children's rights. This aligns perfectly with our Avanti Way ethos of developing students who will make the world a better place. Initially, one of the rights will be introduced each Monday during our Avanti Way assembly so that the children start to become familiar with them. We will now move forwards with our action plan and look forward to keeping you involved and updated with future plans.



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Forest School



Forest school is a new addition to our Primary offering. Children at Avanti Park have fortnightly forest school lessons and our first sessions took place this week. The children had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed their lesson.



Special Thanks



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We are delighted to introduce a scheme called “Special Thanks” whereby parents, guardians, and carers are able to nominate and recognise staff for their efforts for supporting members in our Avanti community. This scheme was piloted at Avanti Park last year and made a real difference to our staff and their wellbeing.

To nominate a member of staff, please click on the following link:

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



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