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MESSAGE FROM THE
PRINCIPAL



The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome our new Reception children and parents. The Reception children have been at school for mornings only for the last couple of weeks and start full time on Monday. I can't believe they have only just started. They are already in the swing of things and learning all their new routines brilliantly. I am really looking forward to getting to know them all this year.

In this edition of the Avanti Park Post I am delighted to be able to share the names of our new student leaders. We have appointed house captains, vice house captains and play leaders from our year 7 and 8 classes. They all had to complete an application form to explain why they wanted to be a student leader. The play leaders are working with our youngest children at lunch time and the house captains and vice captains will be coordinating 'house' activities as well as representing the school in open evenings and other school events. They are all proudly wearing their new badges and are taking their new roles very seriously.

Have a wonderful weekend

With best wishes

Abby Atkins

SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

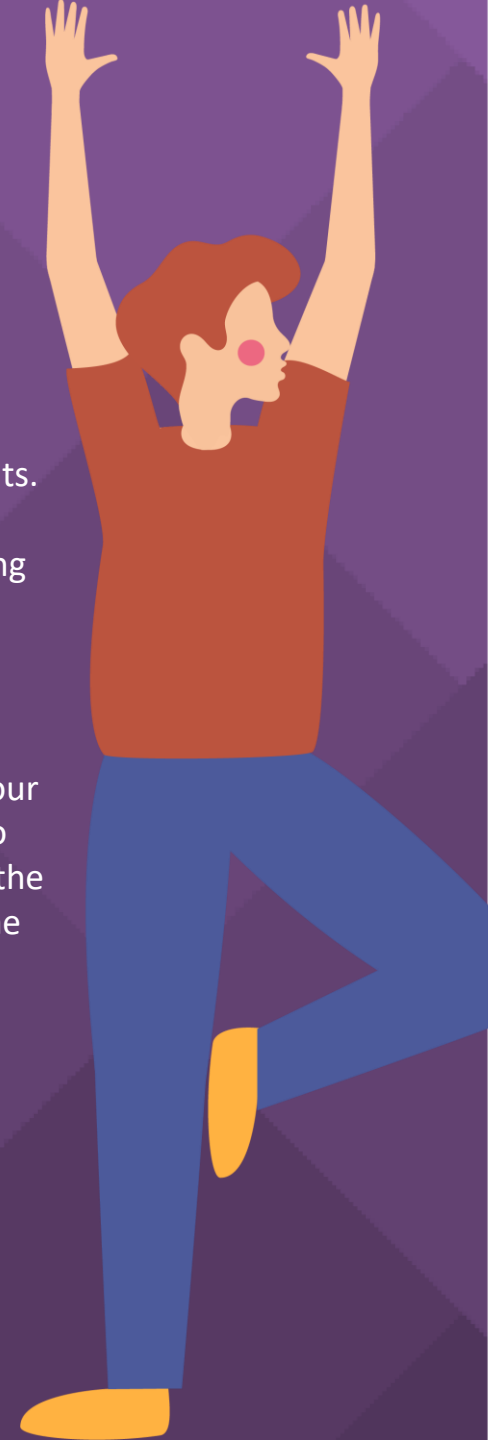
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A Warm Welcome & a Fond Farewell

A very warm welcome to our Reception and Nursery families. We hope that they have a wonderful journey at Avanti Park.

Welcome Maple Class:

Castiel, Kotaro, Lila, Dahli, Marlow, Elliot, Maia-Leigh, Solomon, Milah, Thomas, Kiyla, Ruben, Theo, Frida, Tinashe, Marco, Maeve, Grace, Elodie W, Jesse, Milo and Ivy

Welcome Pine Class:

Elodie B, Brea, Eva, Ezra, Auberon, Atlas, Chaska, Aidan, Jasmine H, Odetta, Amor, Lilah, Mina, Iris, Joni, Noah, Arthur, Mateo, Jasmine R, Ewan, Olivia, Lyla-Wylde and Gabriel who will be joining the class on the 4th October



Staffing Update



As many of you will know Luke McKinley our Deputy Head, drives almost 90 mins each way to get to work every day. After Christmas he will become a father for the first time and so understandably he wanted to look for a job closer to home. He has successfully secured a new position as a Deputy Headteacher at a school in Bridgewater, which will cut his commute to 20 minutes. Luke will take up his new role after Christmas and will spend one day a week at his new school after October half term. We are currently in the process of recruiting a new Deputy Principal and am pleased to say we have plenty of interest in the post.

Luke will be greatly missed by us all. He has worked tirelessly to develop the curriculum in primary, and this is just the drop in the ocean of the work he does in the school. We will miss him very much, but completely understand his reasons for moving on.

House Captains and Play Leaders



Phoenix House Captain:

Samaya,
Rishi (Vice HC)



Dragon House Captains:

Laurie and Felix,
Florrie (Vice HC)



Griffin House Captain:

Tashi,
Arwen (Vice HC)



Pegasus House Captain:

Oren,
Tallis (Vice HC)



Play leaders: Samaya, Nina, Millie Arwen, Florence, Akyra, Catalina, Emily, Tallis, Oren, Thomas, Laurie, Felix, Sofia,

Attendance and Lateness



At Avanti Park we strive for 100% attendance.
Our whole school target for attendance is 97%-100%

Our Whole school Attendance for this week:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
93.2%	93.6 %	92.7%	89.6%	89.7%



Lets see if we can improve in the next week. Please lookout for the letter regarding attendance expectations, the most recent Covid guidelines and what to do when a child is unwell.

Please ensure your children are in school in time for registration every day. All children should arrive for 8.40 when the gate opens. It is lovely to see the children arriving on time and relaxed, to start the day. At Avanti Park School we believe that regular and punctual attendance is important to ensure that each pupil can take full advantage of the educational opportunities that are available to them.

Late arrivals affect the pupils welfare, they miss vital time connecting with their classmates and the teacher. and an opportunity to find out plans for the school day and occasionally the start of their first lesson. Pupils who are persistently late or absent soon fall behind with their learning. It can also have a negative impact on the development and maintenance of friendships, which can make school feel more challenging than it should.

We appreciate your efforts to tweak your preschool preparation, here and there, to make the difference between being on time or late. If you are having any difficulties in getting the children to school on time and if you would appreciate support, please do feel free to contact us.



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/>

Reminders for upcoming parent workshops:

28.09.21 (5:00-6:00pm) - Reading at Avanti Park. Please enter via Craft Street gate from 4:55pm. The presentation will be in the main hall.

06.10.21 (4:45-6:00pm) - Key Stage 3 Open Evening - Our Offer at Avanti Park
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/key-stage-3-open-evening-tickets-174232693677>

13.10.21 (5:00-6:00pm) - The Avanti Way - Our journey so far. Please enter via Craft Street gate from 4:55pm. The presentation will be in the main hall.

19.10.21 (5:00-6:00pm) - Inclusion at Avanti Park - Our approach. Please enter via Craft Street gate from 4:55pm. The presentation will be in the main hall.

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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House keeping & notices



Start of the day arrangements:

Please check your emails for new drop off arrangements.

All parents to exit the grounds via the pond gate at morning drop off (gate in the car park).

We are hiring!

Midday supervisor position available at the school. 11.45 -13.45 Monday-Friday. If you would like to support the children at lunch times and are interested in this vacancy then please contact the school office on 01373 832804 or email avantipark@avanti.org.uk

PE/YOGA NOTICES

A polite reminder that PE Kits need to stay in school. Class teachers will remind pupils to take them home for washing on a regular basis.

If your child wears tights to school, they will need a pair of socks in their PE bag as well.

Yoga is barefoot but Grippy socks are needed if children have verruca's or other skin conditions.

Please could you also make sure that children are **wearing underwear** on PE and yoga days.

Maple:
Theo.M

Pine:
Jasmine.
H

Cherry:
Ben.S &
Keyla

EYFS
Craft:
Jasper.R

EYFS PE:
Toby.H

KS2
Yoga:
Thea.C-B

Ash:
Emmeya

Oak:
Rosalie
& Josho

Chestnut:
Casper

Cedar:
Lula

EYFS
Yoga:
Wren

KS2 PE:
Maya.S

Beech:
Otis

Holly:
Maddie

Sycamore:
Reuben

Rowan:
Amelie.T

Star of the Week

W/C 13/09

Avanti Park School

KS2
Craft:
Jasmine.
W

Maple:
Solomon

Pine:
Ezra

Cherry:
Sasha.M
&
Fearne

EYFS
Craft:
Ember

EYFS PE:
Jasper. J

KS2
Yoga:
Cora T-J

Ash:
Max.H

Oak:
Stella

Chestnut:
Jake

Cedar:
Cosmo.K

EYFS
Yoga:
Rosie.Q

KS2 PE:
Ella.M

Star of the Week

W/C 20/09

Avanti Park School

Beech:
Jasper N

Holly:
Sam

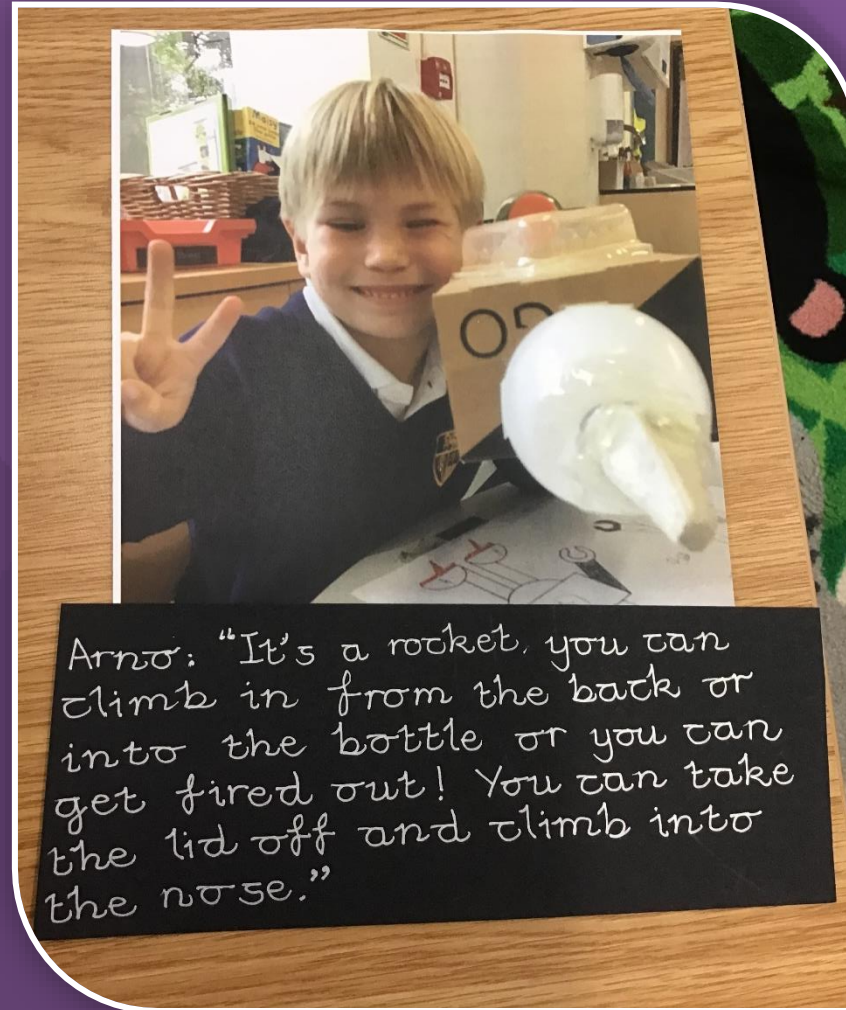
Sycamore:
Lily GS

KS2
Craft:
Zelphi

From Week 3 in Key Stage 1

As part of the junk modelling project for Recycling Week, Oak Class built a city & Arno made a rocket that could be fired from a launch pad in the city. Here he tells us about it in his own words."

"Here is one of the 'Thank You' cards we made for the Mojo Moves lady after the dancing on Wednesday. We were pleased to see the uniform crest appearing so prominently!



In the Classroom



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Recycle, Reuse, Reduce!



This week has been all about Recycle, Re-use and Reduce! We started the week with a very general assembly about what we throw away. Every day, each class has had a short time of reflection and discussion on an aspect of recycling including where our organic waste goes and how we know that a wrapper can be recycled.

Every class were given two bins at the start of the week: one for card and paper and one for mixed waste. There is now an opportunity for everyone in school to recycle when they throw something away. Mr Peacock has reported that the amount of rubbish has significantly reduced this week so it is clear that we are also managing to 'reduce' successfully too! Primary classes have used junk materials to create all sorts of interesting collages and sculptures. We have had a huge range of creations including bottle fish, newspaper and magazine collages and even a robot city! This has been a great way to 're-use.' This week is all about establishing good habits moving forwards and increasing the children's understanding of what rubbish 'is' and 'isn't'! This has really raised the awareness around recycling and will feed into our work as we move towards becoming an Eco School.

Alongside our focus on recycling this week, we have also been raising awareness around sustainable travel. Yesterday was more of a focus day for this and we were very pleased to have the 'smoothie bike' in school for the day. Each class got to make delicious smoothies using pedal power to mix the fruits and juices together. They were absolutely delicious! Many thanks to Emma Parker from the Town Council who provided all the equipment, fruit and the bike and supported each class as they had their turn. She was ably assisted by Mr Seccombe. Both worked tirelessly throughout the day and made sure that each class had a great experience. We also had a visit from Mojo Moves during lunchtime. She was amazing. It was great fun and she certainly got everyone up and moving with an excellent and varied choice of music and some very energetic moves. Even the youngest children joined in from the EYFS garden! The team from the Town Council will be running a 'pop up' outside our school on October 6th with more information around sustainable travel.

The key message this week has been 'You all make a difference.' Our activities and discussions have certainly given us food for thought and embedded some good habits.



Mojo Moves



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Frome COLLEGE

OPEN EVENING

Entry for September 2022

Year 9 and Sixth Form

Save the date!

Thursday 30 September 2021, 6pm

To arrange a tour of our campus, please email: fccopentours@fromecollege.org

Start time	Topic
6pm (doors open 5.45pm)	KS4
6.30pm	KS4
7pm	Sixth Form
7.30pm	KS4 and Sixth Form

Entry is limited to the presentations. You will be allocated a ticket with a specific time, when you arrive, to prevent crowding.

Only ticket holders will have entry.

Frome College, Bath Road, Frome, Somerset, BA11 2HQ
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Multicultural Frome

Sunday 10th October
 11am-2pm at the Cheese and Grain



Local people from around the globe sharing and celebrating their cultures

Come and try **Clog Morris dancing**, Listen to **Klezmer music**, **samba drumming and rap**, try **Latin American dance**
 Make and do arts and crafts: Thai floating Kratongs, Japanese calligraphy, Polish folk art
Games and quizzes, **Performances and Displays from local schools**, learn about many cultures
 Food and drink to try and buy

Free Entry
 Social distancing and covid measures will be in place



Special Thanks



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We are continuing our “Special Thanks” scheme 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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