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MESSAGE FROM THE  
PRINCIPAL



# The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers

I can't believe it is half term already. We've had such a fantastic few weeks. The progress the pupils have made this term is phenomenal and those parents who were able to join us in our first open classroom event would have seen the wonderful learning that has taken place this term. We are so pleased to finally be able to welcome parents back into the school and Tuesday was particularly special. The children were so proud to share their work with you. We will have open classrooms once a half term and so the next one will be towards the end of December.

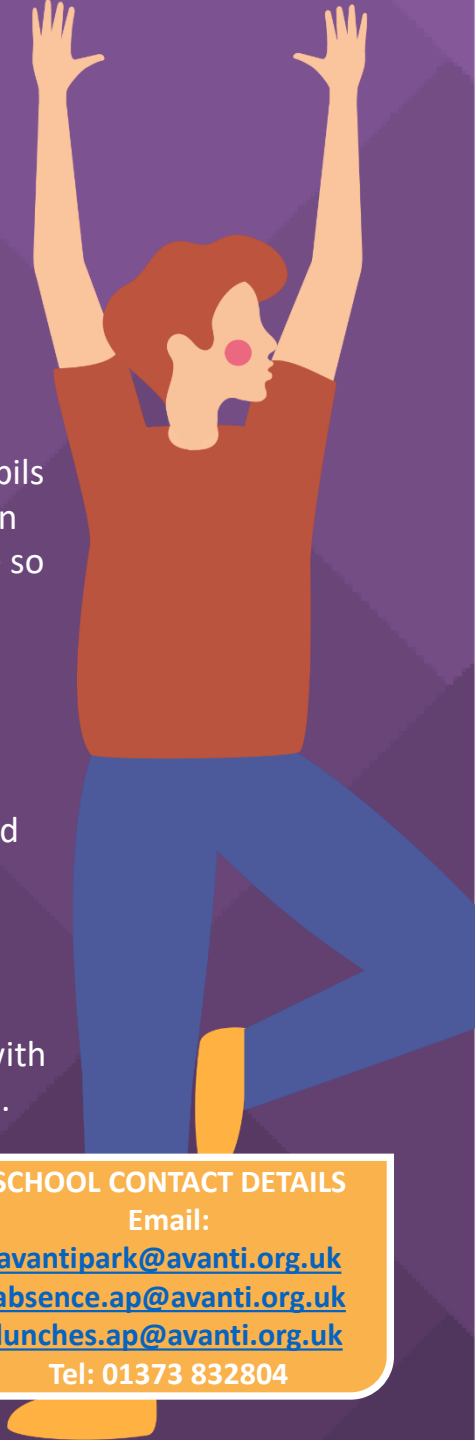
The year 4 and 5 singing performance has also been a particular highlight. Thank you to those parents who were able to come and watch the performance. The pupils and teachers have worked very hard and it is lovely for them to be able to share the songs with you all.

In amongst this we have also had open days and open evening this week. So a busy week for all!

Finally I would like to say a goodbye to Jaqui Lethaby. She has come to the end of her contract with us as an Intervention HLTA. She has been with us for a year and worked with many of your children. She will be missed hugely and we wish her good luck in her new role with Young Somerset.

Have a wonderful break and see you bright and early on Monday November the 1st.

Abby Atkins



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## Notices & dates for the diary

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Our first festival day of 2021-22 will be taking place on 02.11.21, as an entire school community, we will be learning about and celebrating 'Día de los Muertos' (Day of the Dead). See the next page for more information on how we will be celebrating this in school.

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

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

Avanti Park are hosting a Virtual open day on 24th November. We are also holding a Teddy Bears Stay and Play on the 11th November 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/>

A very warm welcome to our new students:  
Devon in year 8, Ava in Beech Class and Griffin in Rowan Class.

A very fond Farewell to our wonderful Higher Level Teaching Assistant, Jaqui Letherby who we wish well on her next venture.

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# Notices & dates for the diary

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## Polite notice for dog owners

**Please note: No dogs are allowed on site unless you are able to carry them in your arms. Thank you.**

## Home Learning Club for primary

We are going to be starting a home learning club for Primary students on a Wednesday after school from 3.15-4.00 in the primary library. This will start on Wednesday the 13th of October. This will be an opportunity for your children do any home learning and have access to Chromebooks if needed. This will be supervised by teaching assistants. Can you please inform Mrs Slinger ([joy.slinger@avanti.org.uk](mailto:joy.slinger@avanti.org.uk)) via email if your child is going to attend. We will need to know by each Wednesday morning.

## PE/YOGA NOTICES

In P.E next half term, KS1 will be doing Gymnastics and KS2 Dance and Movement.

A reminder that all children should have a separate white T shirt to change into for PE. Although a navy sweater is optional, it is useful in the colder months. Please consider purchasing this over half term if you don't already have one.

PE kits will be sent home to wash over the holidays. Please return these on the first day back.

# Day of the Dead



*Dear Parents and Carers,  
As part of our festival programme, we will be celebrating Day of the Dead on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Following the Mexican and South American traditions, this will be a positive and joyous day. We will be dressing up in party clothes with an option to wear face paints which will be available during the day. The children will have the option of trying some Pan de Muerto (Day of the Dead bread) during the morning and spend curriculum time finding out more about this fascinating festival and creating beautiful artwork around the day's theme. There will be an altar in Chantry (ofrende) and you are warmly invited to bring in photographs of friends, relations and pets who are sadly no longer with us. These will be sensitively displayed alongside various symbols including salt, bread, marigolds and decorated skulls. The altar will be up for the rest of the week. (Please make sure that any photos are named). Being able to hold festivals such as this one is one of the things that makes our school truly unique and we are looking forward to creating some memorable moments together.*

*Miss Armstrong*



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## PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

The Principal's awards are presented to children who have consistently embraced Avanti's values during the term. There is one recipient per class each half term.

It is incredibly difficult for the teachers to choose just one child as we are extremely lucky to have so many wonderful and deserving children at the school

A huge well done to **all** of our children whether you have been presented with an award or not, we are proud of you all!

### Principals Awards October 2021:

Maple: Thomas.J

Pine: Iris.M

Beech: Lexi.O

Ash: Rue.J

Oak: Daniel.T

Cherry: Herbie.L-D

Chestnut: Dylan.S

Rowan: Poppy.R

Sycamore: Dahlia.M-N

Cedar: Kyle.L

Holly: Zelphi.F N

Year 7: Rishi.M

Year 8: Oren.L

Maple:  
Elliott

Pine:  
Aidan

Cherry:  
Alex.S

EYFS/KS1  
Craft:  
Jasmine.  
H

EYFS/KS1  
PE:  
Lexi

KS2  
Yoga:  
Emily.R

Ash:  
Ember

Oak:  
Marco J-  
M

Chestnut:  
Jude

Cedar:  
Kai.S

EYFS/KS1  
Yoga:  
Arrietty

KS2 PE:  
Analiese

Beech:  
Elijah

Holly:  
Oscar

Sycamore:  
Deki &  
Luca

Rowan:  
Deri

# Star of the Week

## W/C 11/10

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Year 8:  
Emily

Year 7:  
Florie

KS2  
Craft:  
Reuben.  
R



Maple:  
Ruben

Pine:  
Joni &  
Iris

Cherry:  
Thomas.  
B

EYFS/KS1  
Craft:  
Gabriel

EYFS/KS1  
PE:  
Arrietty

KS2  
Yoga:  
Eve

Ash:  
Eliza

Oak:  
Fenner

Chestnut:  
Liberty &  
Ricky

Cedar:  
Mason

EYFS/KS1  
Yoga:  
Ellie. R

KS2 PE:  
Tias

Beech:  
Max

Holly:  
Nuala

Sycamore:  
Scarlett &  
Malia-  
Mae

Rowan:  
Sophia  
&  
Rowan

Year 8:  
Hermion  
e

Year 7:  
Arwen

KS2 Craft:  
Antoinette

# Star of the Week

## W/C 18/10

Avanti Park School

# Year 4 & 5 Performance



Children in years 4 & 5 welcomed their families to the school for an amazing performance of songs they have been working on in class. They also displayed wonderful artwork which matched the theme of the songs.



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# Non-Uniform & Carnival day for WHY



Thank you to everyone who made a fantastic effort for the non-uniform day. The children looked fabulous and lots of money was raised for our local Charity *WHY*.



# School Communications



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Clear and open communication is a vital component in ensuring our pupils and families are supported. Please see our communication flowchart below (also available on our school website in <https://avanti.org.uk/avantipark/communication-2/>).

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# 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/>







## Half term family Felting workshops for children and adults

with Bessie Bidder fibre artist, in the round tower at Blackswanarts 2 Bridge St, Frome BA11 1BB

Felt picture: Monday 25th October 1030am 12 noon

Felt Finger puppets: Monday 25th October 230pm-4pm

Felt Finger puppets: Tuesday 26th October 1030am-12noon



cost: £12 per family/person, including materials. Children under 8 yrs accompanied by an adult please. Book via eventbrite on

<https://www.blackswanarts.org.uk/>

for enquiries [bessiessage@googlemail.com](mailto:bessiessage@googlemail.com)

instagram [bessiebidder](#)

Facebook: [BessiesTextilesfrome](#)

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## Six week Introduction to Felting course

Bessie Bidder felt Artist



Six two hour sessions learning the basics of felt making: using wet felting; technique to make flat and, three dimensional felt and needle felting. No previous experience required. Each session we will complete a different piece: felt sample, felt picture, Felt wall hanging, Three dimensional felt flowers, Purse/glasses case, Puppet and a needle felted animal.

7-9pm Thursdays 4th, 11th, 18th 25th November 2nd 9th December Cost £125 for all workshops including materials or per class £22 for drop in class.

Venue, the round tower at Blackswanarts 2 Bridge St, Frome BA11 1BB Book via eventbrite on

<https://www.blackswanarts.org.uk/>

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Half Term Workshop

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