



**AVANTI PARK**  
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MESSAGE FROM THE  
PRINCIPAL

# The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the final Avanti Park Post of 2022. This edition is packed with photos of our recent performances as well as the Festival Day of light and resilience. It has been wonderful to welcome so many of you into the school for the primary Christmas performances. These have been such a treat and a real celebration to round off the year. The work that goes into the performances behind the scenes is huge and so a big thank you to all the teachers and TA's who do this year after year and also parents and carers for providing such brilliant costumes.

This week we have enjoyed our annual Christmas lunch and also taken part in the county wide Elf run to raise money for Dorothy House. We are all now ready for a rest!

Have a wonderful Christmas break and I hope you get to spend time with friends and family.

We return to school on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> of January.

Merry Christmas,

With best wishes  
Abby Atkins



Maple:  
Edie  
Aida  
Joni

Pine:  
Charlie  
Brea  
Apollo

Rowan:  
Jacob W  
Fearne B  
Thomas  
B

Holly:  
Jake  
Rudi

Elder:  
Lily  
Lyrach  
Lula

Ash:  
Eva  
Odetta  
Lila C

Year 8  
Millie

Willow:  
Lucas  
Alba  
Herbie

Hawthorn  
Lyra T-B  
Sam  
Kai S

Oak:  
Wilbur  
Maia  
Iris

Cedar:  
Sasha B  
Alex  
Bel

Sycamore:  
Murphy  
Noah  
Miller

Cherry:  
Tabi

Star of the Week  
W/C

28/11/2022

08/12/2022

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Beech:  
Alf  
Lorea  
Dahlia


Hazel:  
Ruby  
Elliott  
Wilf

Chestnut:  
Rue  
Auri

Birch:  
Sam  
Eva B  
Will




EYFS/KS1 Art:  
Jesse  
Elodie



EYFS/KS1 Yoga:  
Dakota D  
Kotaro C




KS2 Art:  
Indigo  
Emma W  
Emily S



KS2 Yoga:  
Lola Byrom  
Jasper J



EYFS/KS1 PE:  
Lilah L



KS2 PE:  
Django M  
Megan H  
Rory J

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# STAFFING NOTICE

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**Sadly, we have said goodbye to the following staff this week:**

Jane Miller (Chestnut class teacher)

Laura Van Dyke (Willow Class teacher)

Andrea Webb (SEND TA)

I am sure you will join with me in thanking them for everything they have done for the pupils at Avanti Park and also wishing them luck in the next stages of their careers.

## **New staff joining us in January**

In the new term we will be welcoming the following new staff to our Avanti Park family:

Nikitta Bidwell (Chestnut Class teacher)

Will Rogers (Willow Class teacher)

Lydia Lloyd (SEND TA)

Nikki Antell (SEND TA)

Carol Hogan (Class TA)





# Festival of Light



Here are some photos of Willow and Holly enjoying wreath and pillow bag making as part of the Festival of Light.





## Reception 2



Well done to Reception 2 for their Christmas performance!





# Year 1



Here are some photos of Year 1's Christmas performance!





# Year 3 + 4



Here are some photos of Year 3 and 4's Christmas performance!





# Year 5 + 6



Here are some photos of Year 5's Christmas performance!



# Year 8



Fantastic work from the Year 8's - Christmas performance!



# Christmas Meal



All the children loved the Christmas meal!





# Elf Run!



Everyone enjoyed the Elf Run in aid of Dorothy House! Well done everyone for braving the cold weather ☺



WELL DONE!



Congratulations to Ember Dalton for winning this years Frome Christmas card competition and the chance to turn on the towns Christmas lights!

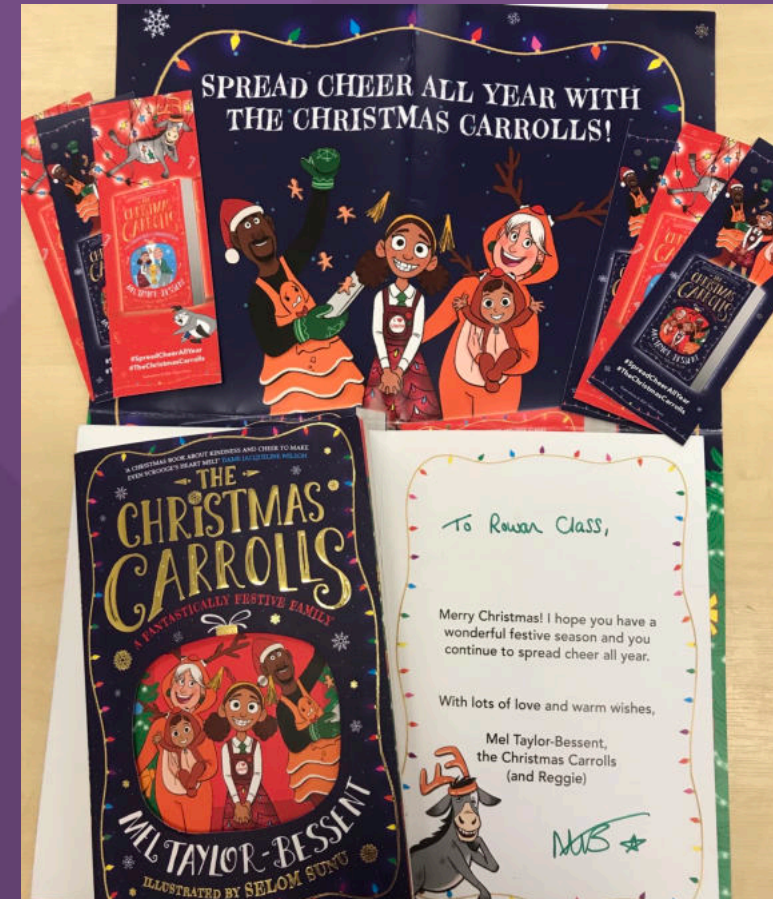
# Key Stage 2



Rowan Class have been reading "The Christmas Carrolls - a fantastically festive family" by Mel Taylor Bessent and were delighted to receive a Christmas Cheer Pack from her: Christmas Card, poster and bookmarks for each class member along with a video including a Christmas Cheer Challenge.

Many thanks @meltbessent - there is nothing that promotes reading more than author engagement!

**Sarah-Johanna Robinson**  
Rowan Class Teacher





# Event – Online Safety Workshop



**January 23<sup>rd</sup> - Parent workshop – Online safety awareness 6-8pm. Please book using this link:**  
**<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-workshop-tickets-488555812587>**

## ⚡ Child Online Safety Awareness ⚡

The workshop will cover what you need to know about child online safety, how children access the internet, what children do online, and issues that may be encountered.

### Covering:

- 💀 Cyberbullying
- 💀 Protecting your child's identity online - Social safety settings yours and theirs. Learn how online perpetrators access and use your information and images.
- 💀 Online pornography
- 💀 Parental Controls - Parent apps, setting safety filters.
- 💀 Online reputation
- 💀 Self-harm
- 💀 Radicalisation and extremism
- 💀 Privacy and identity theft
- 💀 Gaming Chat Rooms - Minecraft, Roblox etc
- 💀 Phishing
- 💀 Addiction and time limits

If you have any particular issues that you would like Lindsey to cover please feel free to email her directly -  
[lj@contentandcommerce.tv](mailto:lj@contentandcommerce.tv)

# Notices



**Please check the name tags in the jumpers/fleeces you have at home for items that do not belong to you .**

## 'Help for Households'

The Government has launched a [new website](#) that brings together over 40 support schemes that the public can access, depending on eligibility, including help with:

Household costs  
Energy Bills  
Childcare costs  
Income support  
Transport costs

## UNIFORM NOTICE

Please note that the required uniform is shoes (not boots). We understand if people have bought boots in error but please ensure that shoes are bought the next time footwear is purchased for school. Many thanks

## PE UNIFORM NOTICE

Please ensure you check your children have the correct P.E kit and that their trainers/daps fit them over the holidays. A navy sweatshirt is needed over the Winter months, despite us being mostly in the hall. Please send your child with hair tied back on P.E days, especially as KS2 are doing Gymnastics next term- it can hamper their progress or be a safety in such disciplines. KS1 will be changing to Dance and Movement next term



# Notices and Events



## Family Christmas Party!!

Free Arts & Crafts - Badge Making - Face Painting  
Christmas Disco Classics - Pin the Tail on Rudolph  
Grinch Corner for Naughty Elves - Xmas Looon Hunt



**SAT DEC 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
**1 PM - 5 PM**

**23** **FREE ENTRY!**

LIVE MUSIC, PERFORMANCE & ENTERTAINMENT

Weds 4 - 11pm | Thurs 4 - 11pm | Fri 4 - 2.30am | Sat 12 - 2.30am | Sun 12 - 8pm  
TWENTYTHREE BATH ST BA11 1DU 01373 455 387  
info@23bathst.co.uk

Music  
Drinks  
Games

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## Free 6 Week Course

Cooking, Nutrition and Wellbeing

Workshops  
with Home Cook and Educator  
*Ally Read*

Starting Monday Nights

9th January - 13th February

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Critchill School

Frome

[www.foodage4thought.com](http://www.foodage4thought.com)

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Thanks to funding from:

**FrOme**  
TOWN COUNCIL



I am a Cooking and nutrition teacher with over 10 years of teaching experience in SEN in local secondary schools. I am also the founder of Foodage4thought a Community Interest Company (C.I.C) I established to teach adults how to cook and learn basic nutrition.

This 6 week course and strategies have been created to be inclusive, so no matter what a person's entry level or budget is, there are tips for everyone.

With the cost of living rising I believe in arming adults/parents with this knowledge, paving the way for future generations to install a good, pay-it-forward, food culture.

Parent Survey:

<https://forms.gle/DQVi3UJc12NKrf6v6>

# Notices and Events



## YEAR 2/3 AVANTI AFTER SCHOOL ART CLUB

Wednesday  
afternoons after  
school until 4.15

£30 for the term

please contact  
meg.gallally@gmail.com  
to book - places are  
limited so please book  
early



Dear Parents,

Most of you are now familiar with the UNAMED lost property items laid out on the table tennis table in Craft Street on a Friday afternoon.

**To confirm : all items in Craft Street are un-named and therefore free for anyone to take!  
In fact, PLEASE take them, otherwise they will only reappear the next week.....**

At the end of each half term, all unclaimed items will be given to charities.

All winter jackets and NAMED items can be found on the chairs and tables in the entrance to the Chantry building.

Best wishes,  
Richard Seccombe



# Notices and Events



## Have you thought about a career in teaching? Now might be your chance!

Whether you're graduating this year, or have graduated years ago, you can **Train To Teach @ Avanti**.

Avanti Schools Trust has partnered with Teach First, to offer 50 graduates the opportunity to Train to Teach at an Avanti School through the School-Centred Initial Teacher Training programme (SCITT).

\*The 1-year course gives you a PGCE and Qualified Teacher Status\* allowing you to learn in a supportive environment. We have vacancies in: @Secondary - Maths, Science, English and @Primary too.

**Funding: a number of subjects offer grants, you can get a grant of up £29,000 to train to teach.**

If you're interested click the button below, learn about the programme and connect with our lead Salina Ventress, who can help you understand the process and answer any questions you may have! 📖 We also have a series of Virtual Information events, see below and book now!

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# Traffic and Pedestrian Management Plan

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Please see below a copy of the school *Traffic and Pedestrian Management Plan* details of which have been in place since the school first opened in Frome in September 2014. Please can we ask all parents to read this carefully. Many thanks, the Avanti Park Health & Safety Team.

## **TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN MANAGEMENT PLAN**

### **Pedestrian Movement:**

We ask all parents to ensure their children walk, cycle or scoot to school where possible.

Parents, pupils, and staff are asked to use the pavements and to be thoughtful about other pedestrians' using Park Road.

Pupils on scooters and bikes are requested to walk their bikes once they reach the boundaries of the school, at the main school entrance and down the school road to the pond gate.

There are several stone and brick walls bordering the school grounds including a low wall on the edge of the neighbouring Christchurch Parish Hall. We request that parents do not let their children walk along these walls as we cannot guarantee their safety.

No pedestrians to walk to or from the pond gate through the car park

### **Vehicle Movement:**

As a school community our aim is to limit vehicles entering Park Road as it is a no through road and there is very limited parking on the road. We request that parents driving from a distance to the school park in one of the local car parks or in the surrounding area and walk their children into school.

### **Limiting vehicle movement is important for:**

- Safety of pupils and parents
- Safety of other pedestrians and Park users
- Being good neighbours to people who live and work on Park Road
- Vehicle use of the Car Park:

There is no drop off parking at the school site for parents except by special arrangement.

There are four drop off spaces and three disabled spaces that are for the use of pupils with access needs and these spaces need to be arranged with either the school Business manager or the school SENDCo

There is a one-way system in place in the car park and all vehicles will enter via the top entrance

All vehicles to drive at a maximum speed of 5mph

The car park will be assessed for safety in conditions of ice and snow and may on occasion be closed by the Health & Safety team in order to keep staff, pupils, and parents safe.

No vehicles will be allowed on site during the school day unless accompanied by two members of the Site and Health & Safety Team.





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# Special Thanks

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We are continuing our “Special Thanks” scheme in to the new year 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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# Stay Safe, Be Well



## Right of the week

**Article 42** (knowledge of rights)  
Governments must make the Convention known to children and adults.



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