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MESSAGE FROM THE  
PRINCIPAL

# The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers,

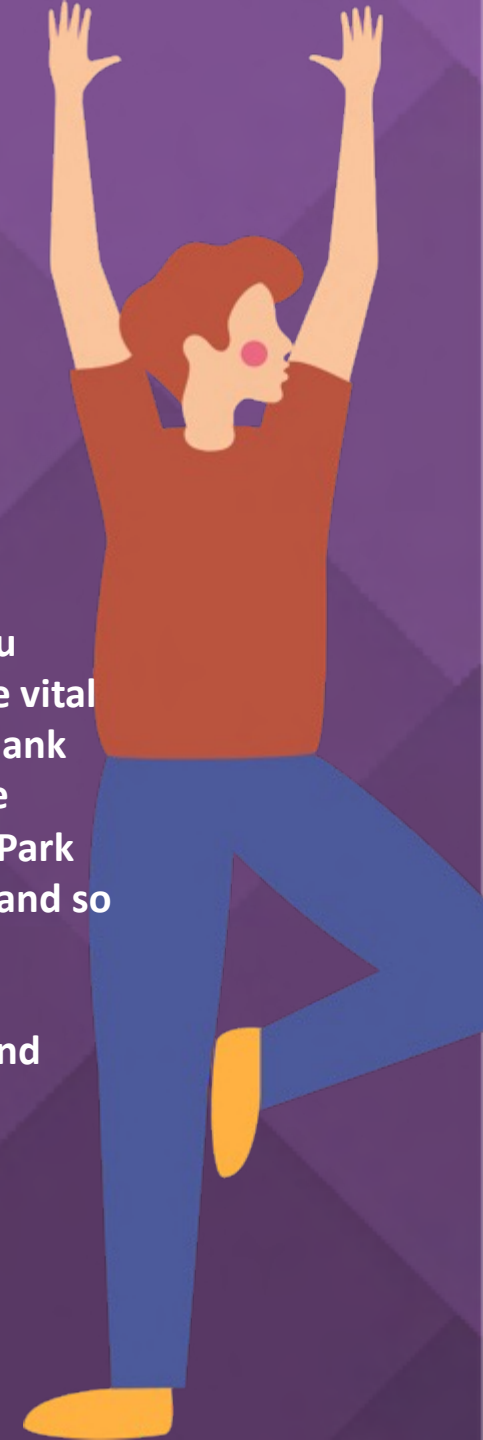
Another term is over already, I'm not sure where the last 5 weeks have gone!

We had a fantastic turn out to our parents meets last week with over 90% of you meeting your child's teacher. This was 100% in some classes. These meetings are vital in developing strong home school relationships with your child at the centre. Thank you to those of you who emailed and spoke to me afterwards with such positive feedback. The overwhelming message was that you feel that the staff at Avanti Park know your children really well. This is definitely something we work hard to do and so it is lovely to have that recognised.

I hope you all have a wonderful break and manage to spend time with friends and family. I'm just hoping for an illness free break!!

With best wishes

**Abby Atkins**



Maple:  
Vinny  
Jago

Pine:  
Amor  
Imogen

Rowan:  
Samuel G  
Emma W

Holly:  
Poppy R  
Rosie A

Elder:  
Sarina P  
Cosmo K  
Rubens

Ash:  
Solomon  
Ezra

Year 8:  
Denys  
Freddie

Willow:  
Greta  
Brae

Hawthorn  
Sam G  
Emily R

Oak:  
Thomas  
Elliot

Cedar:  
Thea C-B

Sycamore:  
Bella  
Oscar

Cherry:  
Lucas J  
Eva W

Star of the Week  
W/C

30/01/2023

06/02/2023

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Beech:  
Axel  
Evie

Hazel:  
Zac R  
Emeline

Chestnut:  
Phoebe  
Josho

Birch:  
George T  
Cora






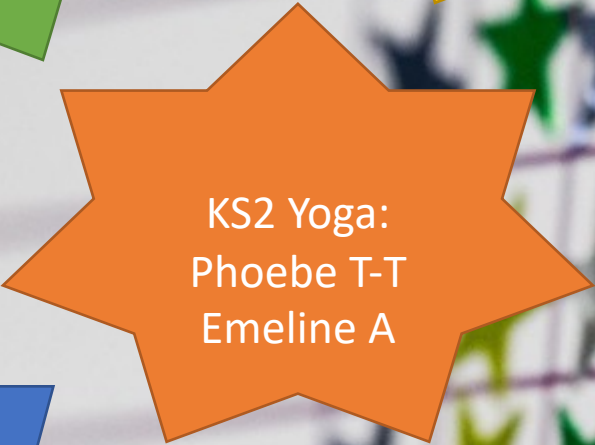
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Marco P  
Ava W



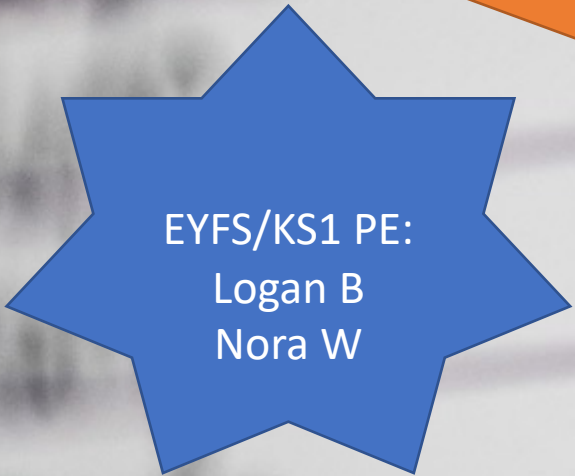
EYFS/KS1 Yoga:  
Sol F  
Matilda S-S



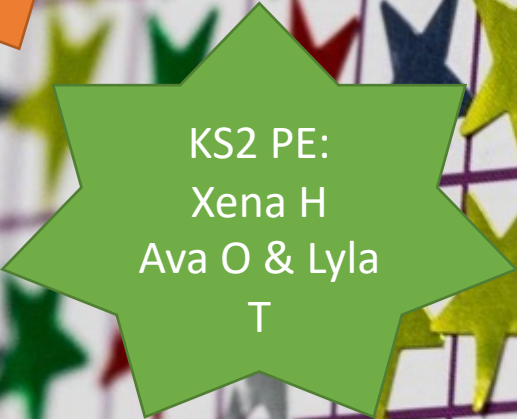
KS2 Art:  
Hubert L  
Joshua R



KS2 Yoga:  
Phoebe T-T  
Emeline A



EYFS/KS1 PE:  
Logan B  
Nora W



KS2 PE:  
Xena H  
Ava O & Lyla  
T

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# Principals Award



Hawthorn  
Max L

Year 8  
Florence

Maple  
Indie

Pine  
Joe

Oak  
Mina

Elder  
Lula R

Awarded to  
pupils who  
consistently  
display Avanti  
Park's core  
values



Ash  
Marco P

Beech  
Zidane

Cherry  
Ivy H

Birch  
Xena

Hazel  
Lucia

Willow  
Matilda K

Holly  
Dylan

Cedar  
Mabel

Sycamore  
Jagoda

Chestnut  
Mason J

# NOTICES



Do you recognise this box?



If you think it belongs to you, come and see us in the office. If you can identify the contents of the box then you can have it back.



The coat in this image has gone missing at school. Please check at home see if you have picked it up by accident

**SAVE THE  
DATE:**  
**SCHOOL DISCO**  
**29<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

## Date for the Diary:

The next strike action is scheduled for 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. More info will be emailed home nearer the time with notice of any class closures.

World book day will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March (the day After the next teacher strike). More information will follow.

We have had two incidents this term of pupils bringing nuts into school. We have a number of pupils for whom accidental contact with nuts is potentially life threatening, and so it is very important that this message is shared with any other family members who might make snacks or packed lunches, and with the students themselves.



# A word of Thanks



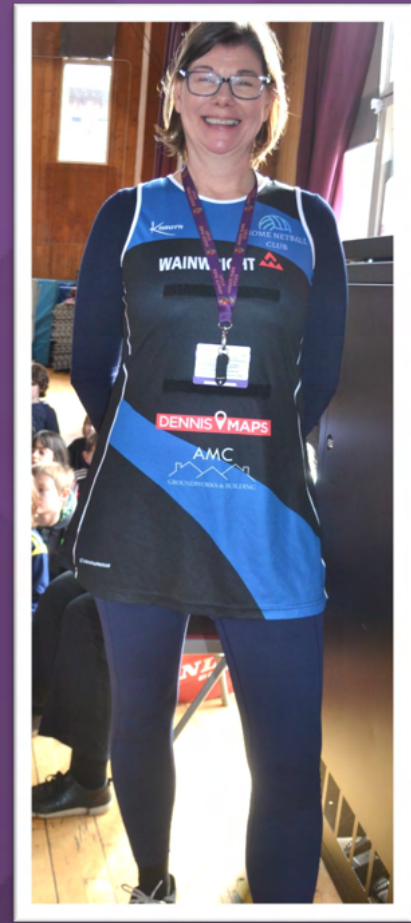
Thank to you our wonderful PTFA for organizing the recent uniform swap. We plan to do more uniform swaps in the future so please keep your donations of uniform coming into the school.

Thank to our amazing catering team for providing such delicious food to our students and staff. We had some very important visitors at the school this week and they all commented on how lucky we are to have such wonderful chefs!





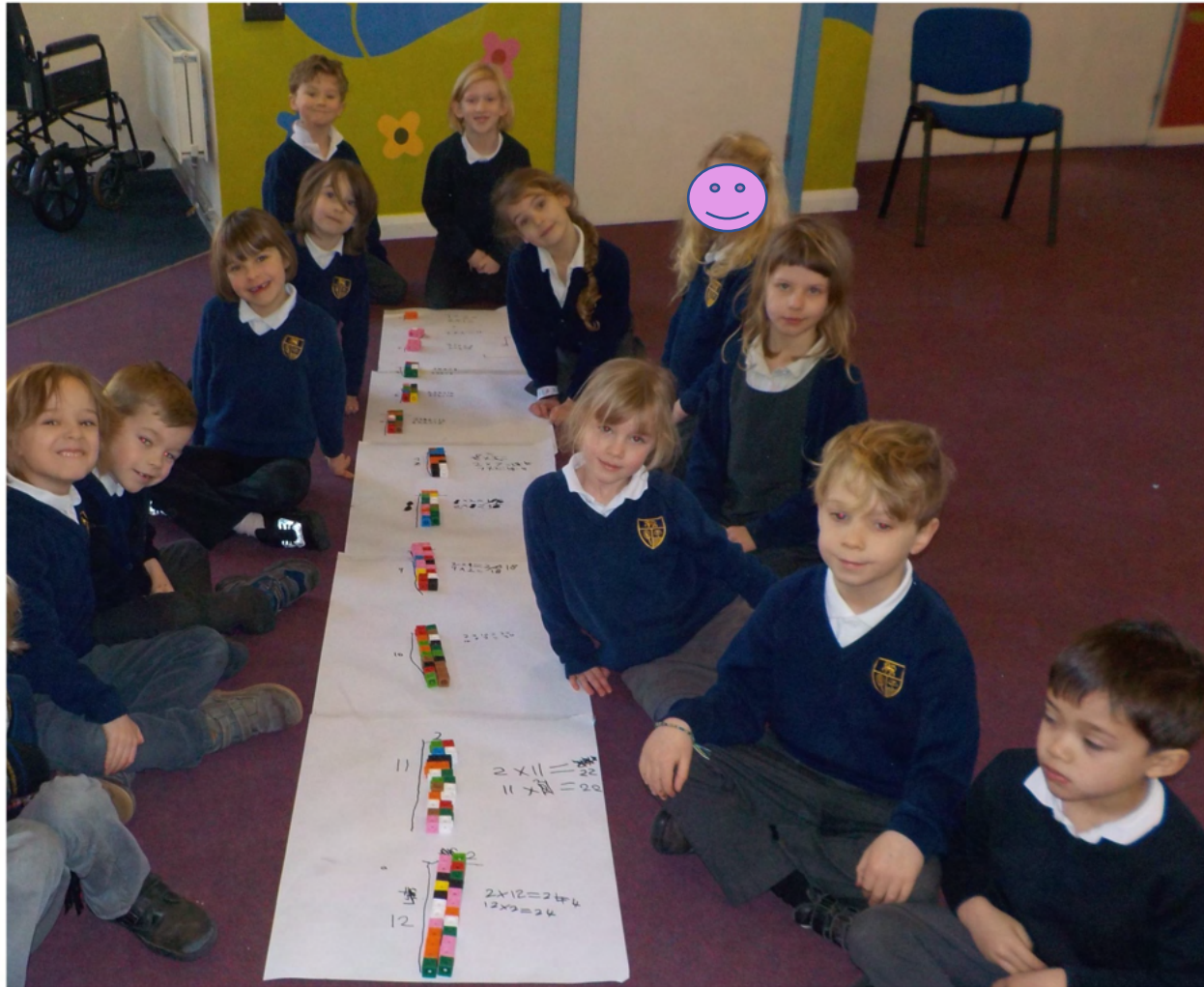
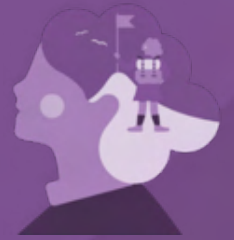
# Sports Themed Charity day



We raised £167 for our charity sports day. Thank you for your kind donations.



# In the classroom Year 2 Cherry



In Cherry Class we built  
the 2 times table!



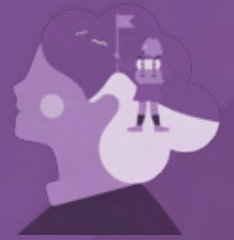
# In the classroom year 4



A group of year 4 students have taken the initiative to started a lunchtime nature club, litter picking club. They gave fantastic speech in assembly and demonstrated to their peers the importance of keeping the school clean and tidy.



# In the classroom year 5 Music

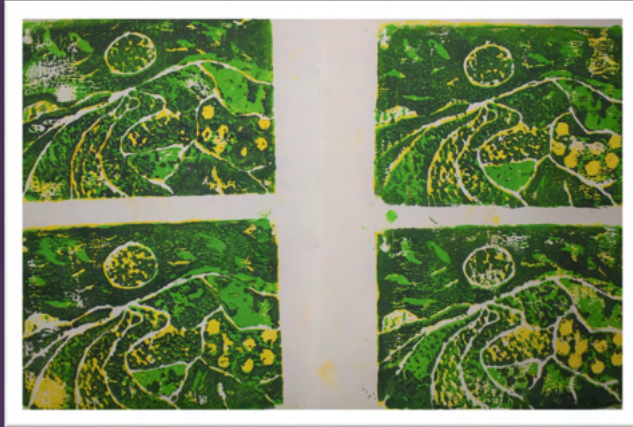


Year 5 Music Lesson. This term students have been learning to play the ukulele





# Year 7 Elder Artwork





# Year 7 Hawthorn Artwork





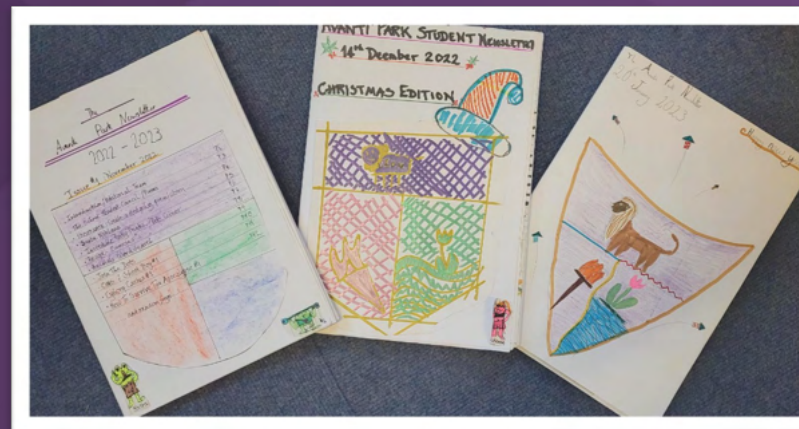
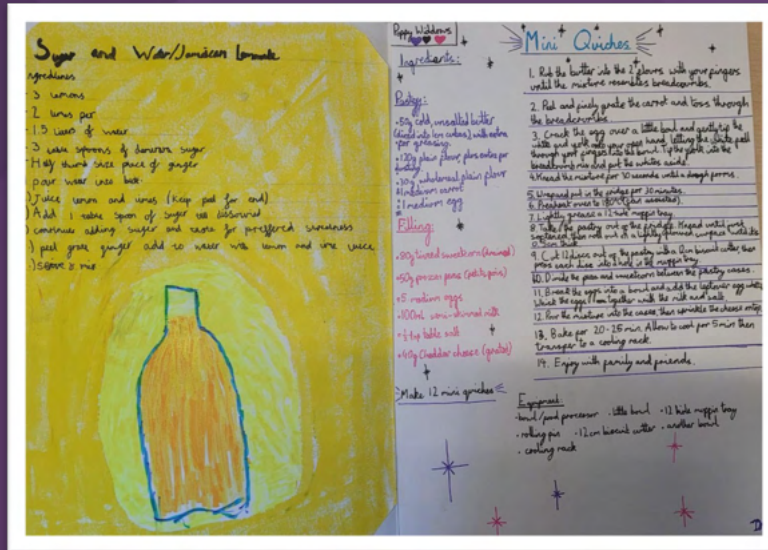
# Year 7 PE



Year 7 students have been taking part in Dance in PE lessons. They have been using the stimulus 'Michael Jackson - Thriller' They have enjoyed learning a set piece and creating their own motif to the music. There were a lot of wonderful interpretations to the zombie theme.



# Student Newsletter



The Avanti Park Student Newsletter is created and published by every 3 weeks. Students from meet every Wednesday after school to create content. The Newsletter is published every The most recent issue was was full of articles, games recipes and cartoons from our 20+ contributors

The next issue will be published on the 24th February.



# Notices and Events



## **The Really Big Sing is coming to a village hall near you!**

Come along and sing for an evening 😊 This is a one off singing occasion to have fun singing with others. Singing is great for your wellbeing, your vocal health and you will meet other educators who share a love of singing!

The Really Big Sing is taking place on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** from 1700 - 2000 at Horton Village Hall Broadway Hill, Horton, Ilminster, TA19 9QP.

No preparation, prior involvement or solos are needed!

The cost for the evening is only £10 and refreshments will be available.

If you would like to attend please click on the link below, and complete the form below to express an interest and you will be emailed payment details.

[The Really Big Sing](#)



# Half Term Holiday Clubs



⚡ Feb 16th-17th - Ages 4+ ⚡

## WHAT IS A BATTLECAMP

A BattleCamp is a holiday club with a difference!

Every day is packed with exciting games and skills development:

Wrestling games

Survival and navigation skills

Fort and den building

Teamwork games

Physical and sensory games

Confidence building

Fun games like SpikeBall and Dodgeball

Run at Avanti Park school and open to everyone. Children are split into age-appropriate groups when we are playing physical games.



Battle camp £35 Per day.  
Sibling discount Of 10%. Book  
single days or both days.  
Click on the link to book:

<https://www.battlecats-wrestling.co.uk/holiday-club-battlecamp-pay-now/battlecamp-feb-2023?fbclid=IwAR3xmHWrLjejYFYvNKi15V31Ax5VwMHXuz35-yAeNkUyFsSWFGxeaSnBiPY>

**I.G Sports Coaching Ltd**

Venue: Selwood Academy (BA11 2EF)

Time: 9am-3pm

Dates: 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th Feb

Price: From £22.95 per session + Lunch included

Age: 5 -11yrs

Activities from

Website: <https://igsportscoaching.co.uk/february-half-term/>

**I.G Sports have managed to secure 50 free places for pupil premium children during their February half term holiday clubs.**

If you would like to book a pupil premium place, please contact Ian.

M: 07855533141

E: [lan@igsportscoaching.co.uk](mailto:lan@igsportscoaching.co.uk)





# Notices and Events



## COFFEE, CAKE & COUGH UP!

**WITHAM FRIARY VILLAGE HALL**

**SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY**

**10.30–12.30**

**COFFEE, CAKES, TOMBOLA & MORE**



**DONATIONS WELCOME!**

**RAISING MONEY FOR THE  
DISASTERS EMERGENCY  
COMMITTEE FOR THE TURKEY &  
SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL**

### Year 8 Career's information:

The student and Parent page of the Careers section of the school website has been updated with lots of useful links to support conversations around GCSE options, post-16 options and career routes,

<https://avanti.org.uk/avantipark/2022/03/02/careers-information-for-students/>

Y8 Careers & Aspirations Activities  
Booklet [here](#)

# Clubs



Children's Yoga After School Club  
Wednesdays 3.15 - 4.30 pm  
Starting Wednesday 1st March 2023  
For Year 1, 2 and 3  
£6 per session to be paid termly in advance

Email Sophie: [Kidsyogawithsophie@gmail.com](mailto:Kidsyogawithsophie@gmail.com) to book your child's place.

Places are limited and must be booked in advance.



## Kids Yoga

A fun & interactive way for children to explore the many benefits of yoga including:

Grow strong & healthy bodies,

Improved focus & concentration,

Better quality of sleep,

Develop lifelong wellbeing skills.

Through music, imaginary adventures around the world & storytelling.





# Clubs



## Gardening Club Update:

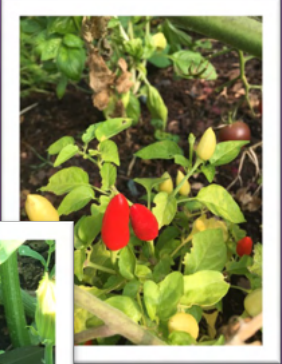
Gardening Club children have enjoyed this term - despite the icy temperatures! The rain-rotted spinach and frost-damaged brassicas and spicy salads have provided uncommon growing challenges for sure! We have stayed warm by doing lots of weeding and clearing ready for the new season of growth... And by drinking hot soup made from our own squashes - and LOTS of hot chocolate - plus hot apple on the day that we did our own wassail celebration singing and dancing to the fruit trees to help their growth along!

We had a 'seed party' spreading some of our brassica seeds from the plants that we allowed to go to seed in the polytunnel - and the children took spare asparagus kale seeds to plant at home. We sowed a variety of early heritage and heirloom seeds in trays - lettuces, peas, herbs and pollinating and edible flowers: poached egg plant, purple nasturtiums and the amazing electric daisies (kind of like a natural popping candy which the children tried from my home plot last year - and loved)!

We harvested a few hardy winter greens and herbs, plus some tiny carrots! We even had a bit of winter water play whilst watering some of the accidentally uprooted strawberries and other baby plants in the polytunnel this Wednesday!

We also made Bridies crosses for the craft element of our celebration of Imbolc - the day when nature first shows signs of new growth and the coming Springtime! Here's to more brighter, warmer and longer days next term! Plus an abundance of veg after the 'hungry gap'!

**Please email [zosiadurniat@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:zosiadurniat@yahoo.co.uk) to register your interest in joining the waiting list for Gardening Club.** We run every Wednesday from 3.15-5pm - for just £10 per session (TBC after Easter). We will continue to sow, grow, harvest, save seeds, make art, feast and celebrate the changing seasons together - as we have done these last terms. We enjoy a hearty healthy snack every week, and children will bring home seeds, spare plants and veg to eat.



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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 and anyone wishing to use this entrance will need to complete the 'Use of Car Park Form' available from the office.

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 24 (health and health services)

Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.



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