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MESSAGE FROM THE
PRINCIPAL

The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers,

As many of you know we have been working towards being a Silver Rights Respecting School. This has been a huge undertaking for the school and has involved all staff and pupils working together to ensure that the Rights of the Child are central to much of the work we do in school. Last week we had our inspection. This involved staff and pupils. The pupils were amazing and spoke incredibly articulately about their rights and how they learn about them. We didn't know the questions they were going to be asked and so we couldn't prepare them either! We are delighted to have achieved the Silver award. Most of the credit should go to thank Alison Armstrong who has worked incredibly hard to coordinate our work on this. Please do ask your children about their rights as they should be able to tell you!

Have a lovely weekend

With best wishes

Abby Atkins

Open Classrooms Survey:

We are keen to get your views on our Open Classrooms and so please spend a minute or two completing our survey. Click on the link below.

[Open Classroom Questionnaire](#)



Maple:
Leo BM
Ruby

Pine:
Sofia
Malakai

Rowan:
Matilda
Teddy
Ines

Holly:
River
Nancy

Elder:
Kyle

Ash:
Rory
Banba

Year 8:
Tallis
Lylah

Willow:
Mia
Asha

Hawthorn
Gracie
Robin

Oak:
Kiyla
Lyla-Wyld
Grace

Cedar:
Jacob
Maddy

Sycamore:
Sylvie
Ember
Emmea

Cherry:
Nora
Primrose

Star of the Week
W/C 20/02/23
27/02/23
06/03/23
Avanti Park School

Beech:
Lucy
Ellie

Hazel:
Caelan
Gryff
Orla

Chestnut:
Max G-J
Zeph
Toby

Birch:
Reuben AD
Nell

EYFS/KS1 Art:
Marlow D
Theo M

EYFS/KS1 Yoga:
Sorrel J
Ash S
Edie L-B

KS2 Art:
Ryan W-W
Alex S

KS2 Yoga:
Dom P
Jasmine W
Serena B-A

EYFS/KS1 PE:
George B
Marley M-C
Joni M-A

KS2 PE:
Tove H
Ayana O-M
Poppy R &
Rudi L

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Avanti Park School

NOTICES



Would you like to be involved with the PTFA?

Please email
avantiparkptfa@gmail.com

Save the date:
School disco
29th March.
Details to follow

Date for the Diary:

Strike action Weds 15th and Thurs 16th March 2023. Please see the Family Bulletin for details of classroom closures.

A very big thank you to school parent, Rob Taylor, who is the manager of 'All Instruments Ltd' Music shop in Westbury, for the long-term loan of an electric guitar and amp.

HELP NEEDED!!

Please can we ask our school community to bring baked goods to school for our Red Nose day bake sale. Bring your cakes, with a list of ingredients to the school office on Thursday 16th or the morning of the 17th.
REMEMBER NO NUTS!!

A huge Thank you the PTFA for the AMAZING donation of games and activities for our students to use during wet play. These really make a huge difference to students who can now look forward to playing games on rainy days inside. Also for funding the service of the school defibrillator

Students are invited to wear red clothing on Friday 17th March for a suggested donation of £1. This can be paid using the just giving link below.



<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rednoseday23-avanti-park-school>

We are NOT selling noses at the school this year but please feel free to bring one to school if you have one.



RED NOSE DAY

There will be a fundraising cake sale at break time on the 17th. Baked goods will be on sale for 50p so please provide your child with some change if you are happy for them to buy a cake.



Please can we ask our school community to bring baked goods to school on Thursday 16th or the morning of the 17th.
NO NUTS!!

FRIDAY 17 MARCH

In the classroom Early Years



Reception learned a lot about running a dress shop from Claudia who owns 'Deadly is the Female' in Frome. The children shared their ideas for dressing her windows so keep a look out for eggs, baskets, bunnies and the Wizard of Oz if you visit the shop window over the coming weeks!

DEADLY
IS THE
FEMALE

In the classroom – year 1 Kindness Workshop



A big thank you from the Frome kindness festival schools team 'Forvgiving us the opportunity to come into your schools and speak to the children and young people of Frome. We visited 8 of the 11 schools in the town, which will go a long way to making Frome the KINDEST PLACE ON THE PLANET! It was such a privilege to meet with each one of those children. We came away already confident that the future generation of Fromies are a pretty kind bunch.'



In the classroom – year 1



Y1 went for a walk on Monday to see what things they could see and hear in nature... but they discovered some dinosaur footprints and an egg! They are writing a recount about it this week 😊 . Here is a picture of Oak class investigating the scene!

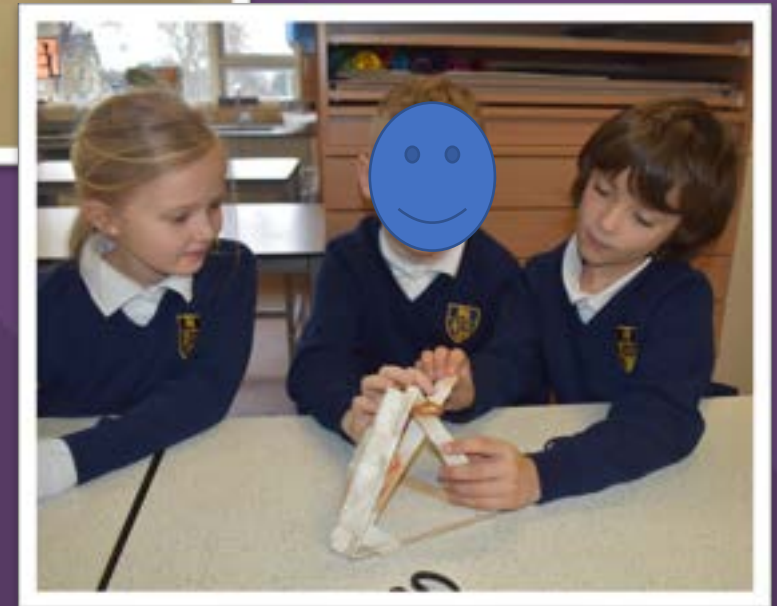
Here are also some pictures of Year 1 in a Yoga lesson



In the classroom Year 3 DT



Year 3 have been making catapults this week in DT.



In the classroom – year 4



"Rivers of reading are a process where pupils or adults are asked to consider which items of reading have made the most impression on them over their lifetimes. This is not limited to books and may also include items that you did not like. Rowan Class watched a video explaining the process and were asked to consider what they might include and week beforehand and were then given World Book Day to let the creative process flow - with the stunning outcomes that you see!"

In the classroom year 4 Art



Year 7 Elder Artwork





We are having a busy week in KS3 with lots of activities around careers and subject choices!

Each subject teacher is taking some time to discuss the academic and career options relevant to their subject. Year 7 have completed the Future Skills Questionnaire which will give us valuable feedback about our careers program and start the pupils thinking about the skills they have and the options they have for post-16.

We are having two online talks from Speakers for Schools with professionals talking about their careers. We have a scientist, and an architect speaking to the children, as well as someone from the RSPCA.

We are also lucky enough to have some visitors from our parent community coming in and sharing their career journeys as well, so huge thanks to:

Jackie Dowdell talking about being a wedding and family photographer,
Ruth Gerrard, talking about her career as a freelance bid writer
Linnea Hopkins, talking about being marketing manager who works for an energy efficiency and sustainability consultancy, and
Daniel Gerhardt discussing his career as an animator.

I am also introducing the pupils to a fantastic website called [Careerpilot.org](https://www.careerpilot.org) which allows the children to explore their options and future ideas for careers!

Brendan Bayew
KS3 Lead



Linnea Hopkins
year 8
presentation

Career's week - presentations

A HUGE thank you to the parents who volunteered to come and speak to our students about their jobs this week.



We had a Visit from Liam, an Ecologist for the year 6 presentation



Career's week - presentations



Thanks also to Ben– Cameraman
Rowena - Graphic designer,
Susanne – Art Psychotherapist
Katie – Garden designer
Sarah – Food educator
Dan – Aardman animator
RSPCA- virtual presentation

We had a visit from
Lydia, a Midwife, for
the year 2
presentation and Ruth,
who works for
environmental
charities for year 7.



We had a visit
from Tamara, a
bag designer for
our other year 6
presentation.
Here is a pupil
with one of her
amazing designs



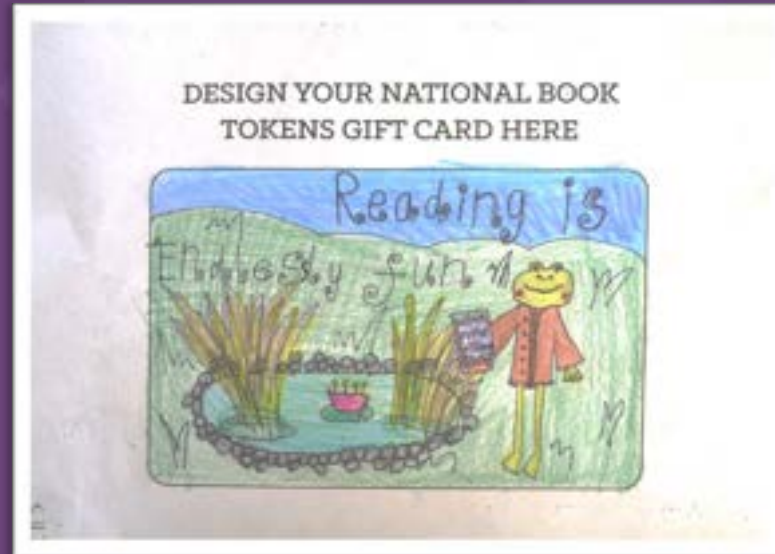
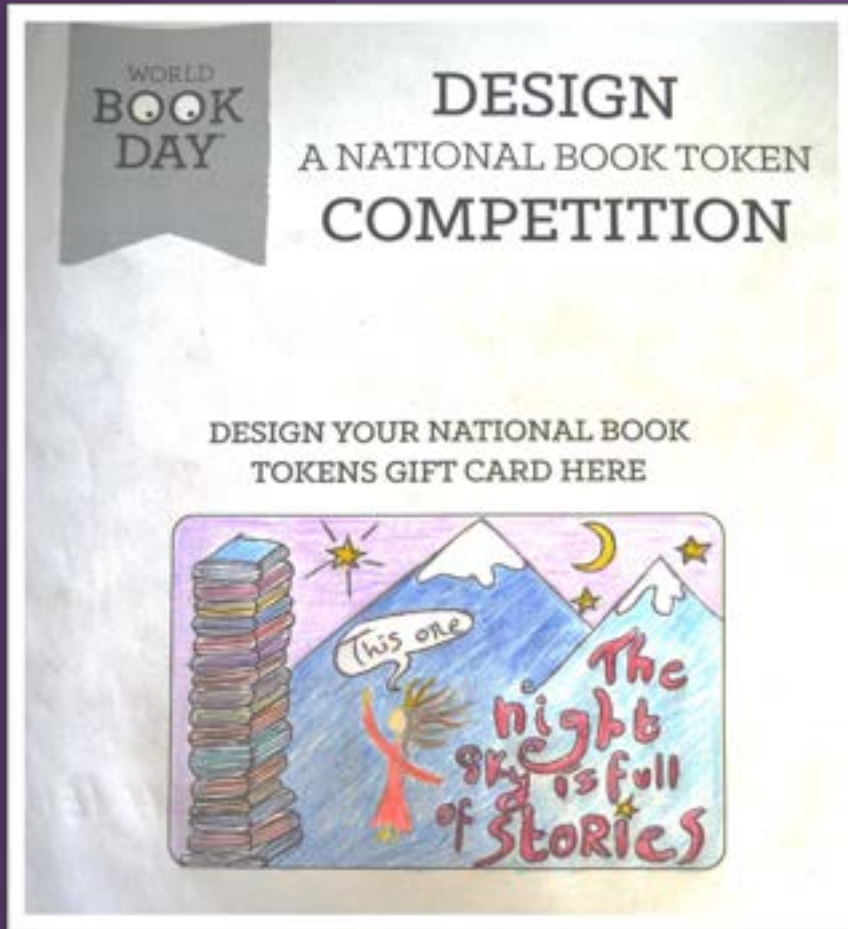
World Book Day



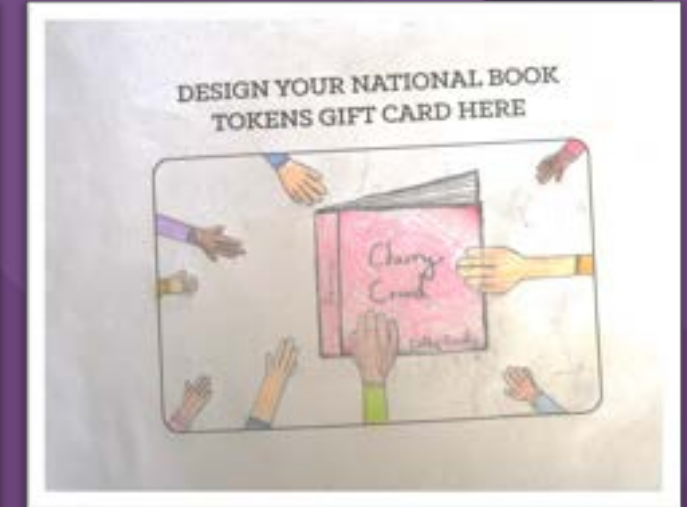
World Book Day



World Book Day



Year 7 & 8 Students were given the opportunity to design a book voucher, as part of the National World Book Day competition. The theme this year was 'choosing a book' Here are a couple of Avanti Park's entries.



Big Walk & Wheel 20th – 31st March



Not long now till the start of the Big Walk and Wheel!

Below is some info about the additional events we have planned through Frome Town Council.

Dr Bike: Thurs 30th March

Bring your bike along for a free safety check with a [Frome Community Bike Project](#) mechanic. Small repairs and adjustments will be included where possible and a note will be left with the bike to inform you of the check. Bring your bike to school on Thurs 30th March to claim your free check. The bike check is completely optional, on arrival at school you will be directed to leave your bike in the **‘yes please I want my bike checked’** area or the **‘no thank you I do not want my bike checked’** area.

Walking Bus: Weds 22nd March

Join local legend Cheryl Sprinkler from [Mojo Moves](#) for a comedy feel-good walk to school. Parents and carers are responsible for their own children while Cheryl will lead families on their walk to school arriving fresh and ready for the start of the school day. Meet Cheryl on Weds 22nd March to join in the fun. Location and time details to follow.

Bike Train: Fri 31st March

Join [Frome Community Bike Project](#) on a led bike ride to school! We'll be following the flattest route we can find to get you and your children to school. Parents and carers are responsible for their own children. You and your child/ren will need a roadworthy bike. We will ride together as a group so no one will be left behind, this is a social ride not a race! Meet your ride leaders on Fri 31st March to join in the fun. Location and time details to follow.

Big Walk and Wheel Breakfast: Thurs 23rd March

After all the activity of walking and wheeling to school you deserve an extra morning snack! Join our free breakfast for everyone who has travelled to school in an active way. We will be serving free morning snacks on arrival at school on Thursday 23rd March in the main school hall at 8.00 – 8.40 am.

Notices and Events

Volunteers needed!

Frome Birth Talk are looking for volunteers for our-

Wednesday morning Bump- Baby group at Frome Community Hospital. The role involves welcoming families and making drinks .

And our,

Friday morning Toddler group (your children are welcome to come along with you). The role involves setting up toys, welcoming families and making snacks.

Please be in contact with Alice at acaudle@fromebirthtalk.org.uk for more information.



Headline sponsor:



Info sheet

20–31 March 2023

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is the UK's largest walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling challenge. It inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these changes benefit their world.



The 2023 challenge

It's more important now than ever to travel actively. Active travel is a great way to build physical activity into children's daily routine. It helps them arrive to school more relaxed and alert, and is great for their mental wellbeing too.

This year the challenge will run from 20–31 March 2023. It is free and easy to take part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel. You can register your school for the challenge from January 2023 at www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk.



How it works

On each day of the challenge schools compete to see who can record the greatest number of pupils walking, using a wheelchair, scooting or cycling to school.

A school's best five days will determine their final position and schools at the top of their leaderboards will receive an exclusive Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel certificate.



Prizes

All schools will be entered into daily prize draws for rewards if over 15% of your school takes part on each day of the challenge. Prizes up for grabs include accessories and equipment to help your school travel actively.



In 2022,
2,984kg
of nitrogen oxide
avoided as a result
of the 10-day
challenge*

In 2022,
**1,335
tonnes**
of CO₂ avoided as a
result of the 10-day
challenge*

In 2022, pupils at
**1,519
schools made
2,096,336**
journeys to school by
foot, wheelchair,
scooter and cycle

*Based on the assumption the journeys logged in the challenge would otherwise have been made by car.



Half Term Holiday Clubs



CREATIVE MAKERS



Great news! A new two-day art camp for children aged 5-11 will be offered over the Easter holidays at Avanti park school. The sessions will be run by a qualified and experienced Art and Design teacher

Over the two days, students will explore the work of various artists and create works that are inspired by them. They will also work in groups and use a range of materials to create paintings, prints, sculptures, and large installation pieces. At the end of each day, all students will have creative work to take home. Each day is a fresh project, so you can attend one or both days and still have a unique experience.

All materials needed for the art camp will be provided. The art camp will run from 8:45 am to 3:30 pm each day.

Places are limited, it's recommended that you sign up as soon as possible by emailing the organiser.

This art camp is a great opportunity for your child to explore their creative side and have fun during the holidays



Email: beccalouknee@gmail.com

Dates: 5th and 6th April

Cost: £35 per day, per child



FREE
EASTER
Sports, Activities,
Art & Food.
Plus Swimming



11 - 14 APRIL



Lunch
included

Frome Sport & Fitness
4 - 13 years old
9am - 3pm



Scan QR code to book
or goto website below, and follow
the link to playwaze. **FREE** for those on
free school meal related benefits
Ask your school for a discount code

www.pro-coaching.co.uk

info@pro-coaching.co.uk

What's on...



Preparing young people with skills for life

Sign up to help your child discover their 'thing': from cooking, coding, fire safety and first aid to arts and crafts and everything in between.

Beavers - 6 to 8 years
Wednesday 6pm - 7pm
Try new things. Make new friends. Joining Beavers is just the beginning of your big adventure.

Cubs - 8 to 10½ years
Thursday 6pm to 7.30pm
Develop new skills. Soar to great heights. Being a Cub opens up a whole other world.

Contact us today. We'd love you to join us. info@1stand7thfromescouts.org.uk

scouts.org.uk/join

www.facebook.com/1and7scouts

Our Scout Group, 1st and 7th Frome Scout Group are looking for new Beavers (6 to 8 year olds) and new Cubs (8 to 10 year olds)



I.G Football Development

Player Development Programme

Tuesdays

5:00pm - 6:00pm

4 Groups
Reception - Year 7
(4 Y/O - 12 Y/O)

**Book Your
FREE TRIAL
Online Now!**

www.igsportscoaching.co.uk

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Frome,
BA11 2EF

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Reception children come FREE!

I.G Sports Coaching are pleased to offer all reception children EVERY WEEK FREE at our I.G Football Development session for the remaining of term 4! Our session runs Tuesday 5:00pm - 6:00pm on Selwood Academy's 3G Pitch. Please contact Todd to book:
Todd@igsportscoaching.co.uk


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 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.



Snowy day at school....



Traffic and Pedestrian Management Plan

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.



Special Thanks

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 31 (leisure, play and culture)

Every child has the right to relax, play and join in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.



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