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MESSAGE FROM THE
PRINCIPAL

The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a busy few weeks in the run up to half term. Year 6 and Year 2 deserve a special mention for the way in which they approached the recent SATs tests. They were all treated to a delicious breakfast each morning (thanks to our wonderful kitchen staff) before their tests, and everyone approached the tests with incredible maturity and with a determination to do their best. We are so proud of them all.

We have also had a number of trips out with more to follow after half term. EYFS have visited the steam railway at Cranmore, year 4 have been to Longleat and the whole of KS3 have been to Bath University. A particular thank you to all the staff involved as the work which goes into organising trips is huge and takes a lot of time!

Hopefully the sun will shine throughout the half term and you will have the opportunity to spend time with friends and family.

See you on Monday 5th of June for the final seven weeks of this academic year.

With best wishes

Abby Atkins



Maple:

Merry
Molly
Arlo

Pine:

Ruby
Lilah
Franco

Rowan:

Kuba
Teja
Teddy
&Ayana

Holly:

Dante
Alice
Nancy D

Elder:

Lula
Harvey
Annie

Ash:

Jesse
Gabriel
Zachary

Year 8:

Akyra
Bella
Joe P

Willow:

Matilda
Jude
Tom

Hawthorn

Ellie
Scarlett
Lyra

Oak:

Elliot
Ivy
Atlas

Sycamore:

Marco
Ember
&Yolanda
Bella

Cedar:

Alex S
Cleo
Jayden

Cherry:

Ivy
Beatrice
Daniel &
Tomas

Beech:

Xavi
-
Annabel

Hazel:

Whole
class
Olivia H
Livvy

Chestnut:

Dylan
Arno
Aylin

Birch:

Whole
Class
Luca
Poppy

Star of the Week W/C

08/05/2023

15/05/2023

22/05/2023

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EYFS/KS1 Art:
Bodhi R
Marlo J
Elliot D-J

EYFS/KS1 Yoga:
Etta G
Ruben M-A
Ella N

KS2 Yoga:
Annabel T
Matilda K
Django M

KS2 Art:
Moe B
Rory J
Otto P

EYFS/KS1 PE:
Jasper R
Arlo D
Joe B

KS2 PE:
Bel T &
Herbie L-D
Harriet L
Beau W

**House points so far this
year....**

1st Blackdown 15,454
2nd Thurlbear 14,862
3rd Harptree 14,325
4th Dommett 13,789

Star of the Week W/C
08/05/2023
15/05/2023
22/05/2023

AVANTI PARK SCHOOL

Principals Award



Hawthorn
Iris

Year 8
Ava

Maple
Leo BM

Pine
Marley

Oak
Etta

Elder
Lilly A

Birch
Tove

Hazel
Orla M

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



Ash
Frida

Beech
Lorea

Cherry
Marlo

Willow
Mia

Holly
Nancy

Rowan
Jada

Cedar
Thea C-B

Sycamore
Bella

Chestnut
Aylin

Notices



Inclusion Coffee mornings

The SEN team would like to invite you into school to find out more about the work we do with your children.

- Wednesday 21st June 9.15 – Supporting pupils with ADHD
- Thursday 6th July 2pm – Emotionally based school avoidance

Student newsletter,

18 of us meet in U1 at 15.20 - 16.15 on a Wednesday and write about anything that interests us! Issues roughly every 3,weeks.

UNIFORM

Open toe sandals are not permitted to be worn at school. children are likely to sustain foot/toe injuries at play time.

LABELS!!

We have 420 children at the school. If a jumper/cardi does not have a name, or if the name is illegible due to washing off, we cannot return the items to their owners. These items will end up being donated to the 2nd hand uniform swaps.



Save the date

EYSF and KS1 Sports afternoon is Mon 26th June pm (on site) Reserve date: Wed 28th pm

Ks2 &3 Sports day Thurs 29th July at the field by the park. Reserve Thurs 6th July.

Early Years School Trip



Early Years school trip to East Somerset Railway



Outdoor Classroom Day – KS1



On Thursday 18th May, KS1 took part in Outdoor Classroom Day a global movement to make time outdoors part of every child's day. We spent the day outside doing various activities.

We went on a playground species hunt and explored the microhabitats all over our grounds. We made rainforest scenes using foliage and natural materials collected from our outdoors. We also learnt more about the plants and animals we have outside and made bird feeder balls. Both classes were awarded a certificate for taking part in Outdoor Classroom Day!



Year 4 Longleat Trip



Year 4 spent an amazing day at Longleat this week, on the Jungle Cruise, the safari, the Adventure Castle, holding cockroaches, snakes and more! Nobody was lost forever in the maze either! Thank you to all parent volunteers and staff for their hard work and time given to this wonderful trip.



KS3 PE Lessons



It has been brilliant to use the Mary Bailey playing field for our PE lessons this term. We are coming to the end of our rounders unit, where both year 7 and 8 have been learning the techniques in fielding and batting along with the rules, tactics and strategies of the game. They have all made great progress and we have some very promising players. We will have a rounders game against Oakfield next term to try out their skills. If any student in KS3 is interested in playing and they don't attend the multi sport club on a Thursday please let Mrs Cornish know

After half term, we will continue to use the field for Athletics. Following this, we will be having our tennis lessons with Frome tennis club from Thursday 22nd June.



Congratulations



Well done to our year 6 and year 2 students for completing their SATS! They all did fantastically well. Here is a picture of some of the year 6 students taking a well-deserved break during their SATS week.

A huge congratulations to year 7 student, Orla Osborne who won 1st place in a recent ice-skating competition. Well done Orla!!!



Fundraising

Rory and Rosalie Jones (Willow and Cherry class) are raising money for the National Deaf Children's society by walking 50 kilometres in May. So far they have walked 38 kilometres and raised £178 (on the Facebook page).

Please see the link below, or the QR code on the right for the Justgiving page.

Many thanks

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sophie-jones124?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=sophie-jones124&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=5805b991ab6b458e99f298d4c1091c0c



Avanti Park Score 100%



We are delighted to announce that Avanti Park School has gained 100% on all of the Gatsby Benchmarks. This is the framework for schools to fulfil in order to deliver a high quality careers programme to all pupils. The current statutory requirement is for only secondary schools to work towards these benchmarks. However, we are one of the only local schools that delivers a career programme across both primary and secondary, from reception upwards. This helps to ensure that younger pupils are able to learn about a wide and diverse range of careers and pathways, and to have career stereotypes challenged early on. So far this academic year, there have been 21 different careers activities delivered across the school. These include university trips, apprenticeship talks, work experience programme, one-to-one careers guidance, careers talks and industry-led workshops, with even more activities planned for the summer term.

Rose Hiron-Grimes, who is the Careers Link Governor at the school says 'This achievement represents a big team effort. Particular thanks should go to the Careers Lead, Brendan Bayew, and also the Personal Development Lead Alison Armstrong, who have put in so much effort to facilitate these activities across all classes. We would also like to thank our Enterprise Adviser, Karen Groot from Wessex Water, who volunteers her time to help support the careers programme. Many parents have also come in to the school to deliver talks and careers activities, especially during National Careers Week in March. This achievement belongs to us all and we are really proud of our careers programme at Avanti Park School.'

For more information about the Gatsby Benchmarks, see the Gatsby Foundation website here: <https://www.gatsby.org.uk/education/focus-areas/good-career-guidance>. The Talking Futures Website also has some useful guidance for parents about how to have careers conversations at home: <https://www.talkingfutures.org.uk/> and for more information about the Avanti Park careers programme, see the website here <https://avanti.org.uk/avantipark/school-life/careers/>



Fundraising Exhibition



The Why Gallery and We Hear You would like to say a big thank you to the Avanti students that contributed their wonderful artwork for the 6x6 fundraising exhibition.



The exhibition raised just over £1700 which will go to help We Hear You (Why) provide free, professional counselling for people affected by cancer and other life threatening diseases. Huge thanks too to Abigail Reed for running the workshops and to all the family members and carers that came down to see the exhibition. If you brought work at the exhibition it's ready to collect from The Why Gallery on Stony Street. For those that missed the exhibition we have a selection of 6x6 pieces in The Why Gallery over half term if you'd like to come down and have a look!



What's on ...Half Term Activities



KIDSPIRATION!
MAY 29TH - JUNE 2ND 2023
MARSTON PARK, FROME, BA11 5BP



HOSTED BY ANNIE BOURNE AND ANASTASIA GRIFFITH

HOLISTIC DRAMA AND SINGING WORKSHOP

USE QR CODE FOR BOOKING OR GO TO:
WWW.THEEMPOWEREDPARENTINGCO.COM/KIDSPIRATION

ROUTE ONE + 

RAMP ANTICS

Free Lesson Info:

If you would like to sign up to Free Skateboard Lessons please get in touch:

bath@routeone.co.uk

Sessions will run from 11-12 and 12-1 on Saturday 27th May with 10 slots per session with 2 Skateboard GB certified coaches. Spaces are filling up fast so please sign up before 22/05.

All equipment (Helmets, Skateboards and Ramps) will be supplied.
Minimum age 8 year old.
Flat footwear recommended.

KIDS Summer HALF TERM CAMP

FROME SPORT & FITNESS



ACTIVITY DATES
1ST JUNE - TEAM GAMES
Dodgeball-Basketball-Football
2ND JUNE - WHACK IT DAY
Cricket-Tennis-Rounders

AGES: 7-11 YEARS
TIMES: 10:00am - 2.00pm

£15 PER DAY



BOOK ONLINE @
WWW.PRO-COACHING.CO.UK

FREE LUNCH PROVIDED

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Summer Activity Sports Partnership

Recorder club – September 2023



We will be running a lunchtime recorder club every Tuesday from September. This will be available to years 3 and 4 and will be free of charge.

This group is ideally suited to children who already have a basic understanding of the recorder, but Ms Brice is happy to take on complete novices, provided they are enthusiastic and willing to learn! It would also be helpful if your child has access to a descant recorder so that they can practice during the week.

My aim in running this club is to encourage ensemble playing, broaden musicality, increase confidence, and to give the children an opportunity to perform at special school events and festivals.

If you would like to reserve a place for your child or have any questions, please get in touch via email: nataliebrice9@gmail.com

There will be 12 spaces available and it will be a first come first served basis
Warmest wishes,



Rocktopus at Frome Festival!



Avanti favourites Rocktopus, co-led by our very own music teacher Andy Hawkings, are taking their family friendly show The Rocktacademy to the Merlin Theatre as part of this year's Frome Festival. Their fully interactive show, taking place at 2pm on Saturday 15th July, will have every child learning the 10 steps to becoming a true rockstar! Having shared the Rocktopus workshop experience with the children earlier in the year, Andy is thrilled at the prospect of showing them the other side of the band and giving them a live music experience they'll never forget!

To book tickets, visit the Frome Festival website by following this link: <https://fromefestival.co.uk/?s=Rocktopus>

Please note - the Frome Festival Brochure has printed an incorrect date for this event. The event is on Saturday 15th July NOT Friday 14th July.



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



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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/>



Stay Safe, Be Well

Right of the week

ARTICLE 22 (refugee children) Children seeking or who have refugee status have the rights set out in the UNCRC. Governments must provide protection and support, and must help children who are separated from their parents to be reunited with their family.



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