



AVANTI COURT
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,
Thank you to all parents, pupils and staff for such a wonderful Summer 1!

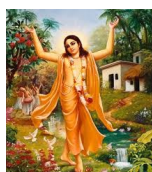
I am delighted to inform you that our school has been accredited with two more awards this term. We have been awarded the Silver Award in recognition for being a healthy school and also awarded the Basic Skills Award for Literacy and Numeracy. The Early Years team will also be submitting evidence for the Early Years Quality Mark in September 2019.

I hope you all had a restful half term and I look forward to a super summer 2.

Mrs Walters

LORD CHAITANYA

‘Be more humble than a blade of grass; more tolerant than a tree. Offer respect to all and expect none in return. In doing so chant the Holy names of God always’



Class	Percentage attendance since April 1 st 2019 to June 3 rd 2019
Mayur	92%
Peacock	91%
Balta	95%
Blanco	97%
Shukla	95%
Blue	96%
Azul	93%
Neela	94%
Niebieski	97%
Verdi	98%
Harit	98%
Green	96%
Zielony	97%
Purple	95%
Purpura	97%
Fioletowy	96%
Dhumalah	95%
Kamsya	96%
Bronze	96%
Bronce	97%
Braz	96%
Plata	98%
Srebro	97%
Rajat	95%
Silver	96%
Gold	98%
Oro	97%
Suvanam	98%
Zloto	98%

HEALTHY SCHOOL'S AWARD– SILVER

Mrs Dodia *scooped* another award for Avanti in less than a Year! Mrs Dodia was awarded the Healthy School's Silver Award for her work in ensuring the pupils at Avanti lead a healthy life style.

In addition to holding the Bronze Award, the school needed to undertake an analysis of pupils' needs, and identify new actions that will help pupils achieve and maintain good health and wellbeing. This included one targeted and one school-wide target. The school needed to make plans and show how the changes will be delivered and measured. Mrs Dodia was also asked to present her work to Headteacher's across the borough in recognition of her commitment to Healthy Schools! Well done Mrs

Dodia.



SO WHAT DID THE BASIC SKILLS AWARD ASSESSORS SAY ABOUT AVANTI?

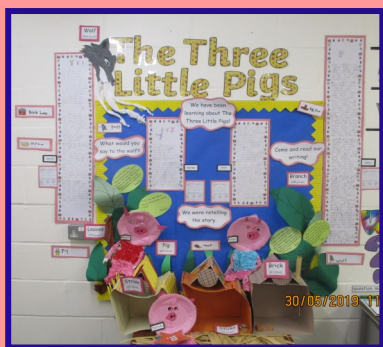
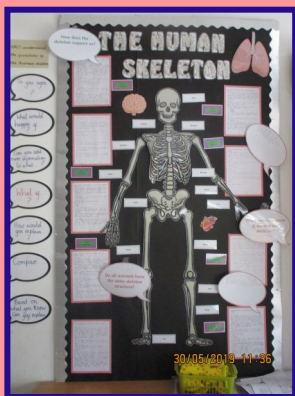
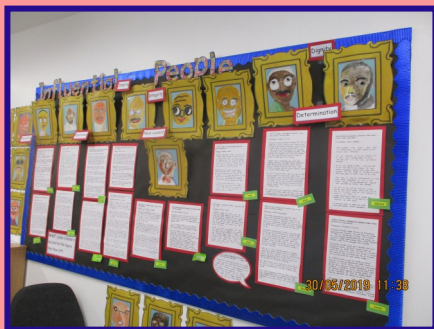
Tribal's Quality Mark is an internationally acknowledged accreditation recognising improving standards in the provision, practice and performance of English and mathematics, and providing evidence of high-quality education in April. The Quality Mark assessors gave the Leadership Team an independent evaluation of Avanti Court, its procedures, curriculum and ethos. It not only celebrated the work that we have done as a school over the last three years but also gave us an opportunity to reflect on what we now need to do so that we continue on our journey towards excellence. Assessors wrote in their report:

*‘Avanti has a very strong, **perceptive and experienced leadership team**, well balanced in terms of skills. All leaders are held to account and report regularly to the School Stakeholders Committee. Leaders' reviews and action plans are very detailed. Quality assurance ensures that planning folders are in place, books are being monitored, observations are carried out and specific focus is given to writing, reading and maths. The quality of teachers' marking **has improved beyond recognition** when compared with a sample of pupils' books from 2015. The whole-school focus on Talk for Writing has had a **major impact on the pupils' attainment**. Corridor displays provide additional evidence of the pupils' **high attainment in writing**. The range of evidence provided was **outstanding**. The current state of documentation is excellent.*



April– May 2019

LEARNING AT AVANTI



THE FARM VISITS AVANTI!

This term, EYFS were visited by the farm! Pupils loved seeing all of the animals and demonstrated the Avanti values of respect and empathy as they stroked them gently. Pupils learnt how



sheep help us particularly through the winter as their coats are used to help



keep us warm.

Children were able to understand that their actions impact on the well-being of animals: *'If I stroke the guinea pig gently it feels happy and that makes me smile!'*



To understand how our actions impact on animals and our friends is such an important life skill at Avanti.

ATTENDANCE!

As a school we wanted to achieve 97% attendance for Summer 1. We managed to reach 96.4%, which is below our target but above the National target. **Please** do keep up the good work and remember that your child's attendance has a huge impact on their progress and attainment.

If your child receives a red letter the week of the 3rd June their attendance will be closely monitored by the Senior Leadership Team and you may be referred to the Educational Welfare Officer.

Parents we need your help- we can reach 97% but only by working in partnership with you!

LINE OF COMMUNICATION IS A THING OF THE PAST FOR AVANTI PUPILS!

Avanti has joined the borough with a new and exciting video conferencing kit, providing fantastic experiences that can be had without having to leave school! Children in Reception and Year 1 had the wonderful opportunity video conferencing with Santa in his grotto as he prepares for Christmas 2019! They were able to ask him some questions and then sang the song Jingle Bells.

"We had fun meeting Santa and we got to ask him lots of questions about how he delivers our toys and what he does when Christmas is over." – Year 1



We also had the fantastic opportunity to connect to New York with Rene Carver (Distance Learning Coordinator). His session started with a look at Google Earth and where each school is located on the planet. The story was the main part of the VC session, but this then ended with a question and answer session where children could find out more about each other and discuss what it is like to live in England or the USA and compare the schools that they go to.



HOW HAS AVANTI SUPPORTED OTHER SCHOOLS THIS TERM?

Mrs Walters and Mrs Dodia were invited by the Head of Redbridge School Improvement to discuss the impact of the Healthy School's Award at Avanti Court and the initiatives Mrs Dodia has led to ensure the school was awarded the silver award.

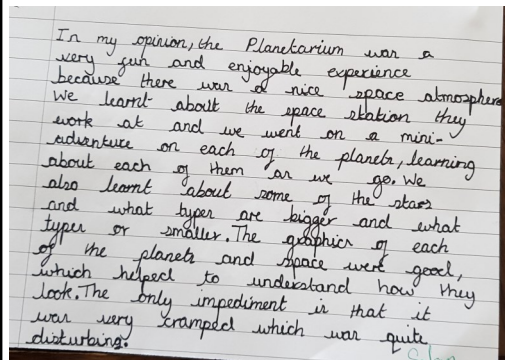
Mrs Sivadasan, as Lead English Moderator for the London Borough of Redbridge has supported schools within the borough to assess writing accurately.

Ms Sahota, as Lead Early Years Moderator has supported schools within Redbridge to assess teaching, learning and assessment in the Early Years.

Avanti Court has been asked by Plymouth University to share what makes Avanti unique in June. The focus of the visit will be the curriculum, pupil voice and school ethos.

REACH FOR THE STARS!

Pupils at Avanti had a visit from a mobile Planetarium to deepen their knowledge of the solar system, phases of the moon, seasons, the night sky and Orbits. This education experience ensured that pupils were immersed in a creative educational experience.



THE SOUND OF MUSIC AT AVANTI!

Our school has been echoing with the beautiful sound of live orchestral music! Our friends at Redbridge Music service delivered workshops where children learned all about the brass family of musical instruments including the trumpet, French Horn, Trombone and tuba. It was very exciting for the children to experience brass, as many of our younger children were exploring these instruments for the first time. One child in Reception said: 'I like the trumpet because it is a joyful sound. It sounds like a celebration.'

The older children were curious about how the sounds were made and asked lots of interesting questions, such as: 'How can you make so many different pitches with only three valves?'

Children were able to listen to and appraise a range of pieces from different styles and use key musical terms to describe the music: 'This has a quick pulse. It is like what you would hear at Buckingham Palace - I can imagine soldiers marching along to the music!'

The children were also able to draw on our school ethos as well as British values by respecting the broad and diverse range of music they were hearing: 'This piece of music is calm and reflective because it remembers the war.'

Every child at Avanti Court is a budding musician, with many opportunities to learn an instrument or to develop their singing and performance skills. It is so important for our children to meet with accomplished musicians in the community because they are reminded that they can achieve a high standard of musicianship if they apply dedication and commitment. One of our pianists in Year Six said: 'It takes a lot of years to learn an instrument and if you never keep up you will get better every day.'



PUPIL VOICE AND THE CURRICULUM

Pupils from Year 5 and 6 met with a parent representative on the 24th April 2019 to talk about the curriculum and the impact it has on their learning.



Jovan said: 'My favourite part of the school's curriculum is learning about PRE because we get to discuss the soul in detail. Learning about the soul helps me to reflect on my actions and this helps me to ensure my life journey is a constant learning process.'

Prince said: 'Science is my favourite part of the curriculum as we learn through a hands on approach. For example, I learnt about blood cells and white blood cells through the use of Ribena and marshmallows- this sounds really strange but I can remember the components of blood through this activity!'

Sriram said: 'We watched the solar system by visiting a dome in our gym. I learnt about the temperatures of all the planets. Learning for me was deep as you could see the planet above you. It is much easier to learn about new things if you are immersed in the subject in a creative way.'

Shraddha said: 'Learning through educational visits is a great opportunity to learn about others. I have visited Al Noor and a synagogue and both have given me a deeper insight into the lives of others. This is so important because not everyone at the moment is living peacefully together in our world, but at Avanti we learn that we are all equal, no one is greater than anyone else and we all have a place on earth.'

Riya said: 'I can still remember all the facts about mummification because I visited the British Museum. Even today, I know why about mummification and why it is so important. Mummification ensures the soul is prepared for the afterlife. You may not agree with this, but it is important to respect the beliefs of others.'

Jovan said: 'The Avanti values help us to become better people through learning about integrity and respect. Assemblies about prominent people like Anne Frank help us to understand values such as courage. The Avanti values are linked into all the subjects we learn and values are not a separate subject.'

Prince: 'The Avanti values are so important and even when learning about World War II we use our values to question why people behaved in such a terrible way towards other human beings. The Avanti values help us to question the behaviour of others so that we don't repeat their actions.'



Jenika said: 'During World War II what was missing was values, even though the concentration camps were terrible, as young people we must learn about what went wrong during that time so we can learn from the mistakes many people made during the war.'

FAREWELL BUT NOT GOODBYE...

Mr Koorichh who has been at Avanti since 2012 is leaving to take up a Senior position at Avanti House Primary for September 2019. Mr Koorichh has taught across both key stages and will be dearly missed. However, as a school Avanti is dedicated to growing leaders and our success as a school is that Mr Koorichh who began his teaching career at Avanti as a Newly Qualified Teacher is now ready for Assistant Headship. Well done Mr Koorichh, we are very proud of you but will miss you dreadfully. Mrs Cooper, an experienced Senior Leader will take over from Mr Koorichh as Year 6 Lead. Mr Koorichh has a special place in all of our hearts and will always be part of what makes Avanti Court great.

We also say goodbye to Ms Abbott who will be leaving Avanti at the end of July to take up a teaching position at Park Hill Junior school. We wish Ms Abbott well and would like to thank her for her commitment to Avanti Court. Ms Abbott came to Avanti four years ago as a class teacher and has since worked her way up to Maths Lead and Year Lead. Once again, she is testimony to how well Avanti grows great leaders. Miss Abbott will be missed for so many reasons but above all for being such a wonderful person.

WELCOME BACK

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Janab who has been on maternity leave will be returning to Avanti in the Autumn term.

May I also welcome back Mrs Esat who has returned to Year 3 after the birth of her little boy.

CONGRATULATIONS

May I take this opportunity to congratulate Mrs Elavia who is now a Higher Learning Assistant at the school. She will begin her new post on June 3rd 2018 and we know that she will be amazing.

May I also congratulate Ms Vincent who has been accepted on a Masters Course to complete her masters **qualification in music education**.