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School Stakeholder Committee report – February 2020

Dear Avanti Court Community,

Governing Body changes

This is my third annual letter to you as Chair of the School Stakeholder Committee (previously known as the Local Governing Body).

Sanjay Patel continues as Vice-Chair. Ashish Patel has resigned, to follow other voluntary commitments and we would like to thank him for his service including his particular contributions Chairing the Finance working group under the previous governance scheme before responsibility for financial matters was transferred to the Multi Academy Trust board. Darpna Tank continues to Chair our Curriculum & Standards working group and has moved from being a Parent Member to an appointed Member, replacing Ashish. The vacancy for Parent Governor has been filled by Shane Jayprakash who was recently elected by the parent body. Other than that, the Committee continues to remain remarkably stable, giving continuity and encouragement that has allowed the school to continue its excellent development in priority areas.

Partnerships

Avanti Court continues to support numerous schools both in Redbridge and outside of Redbridge.

Our pupils represented the school at a number of events, often linking to the Avanti Way in order to *Make the World a Better Place* such as

- Performing at the London Law Society
- Speaking at adult-led faith forums about their own faith
- The choir performing for vulnerable members of the community
- Ambassadors starting a food bank at the school
- Presenting at the Holocaust memorial event in Redbridge

Awards

We are delighted that the school has achieved the following awards during the last year:

- EYFS Quality Mark
- Primary Quality Mark

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- Gold Travel Award
- Healthy Schools Silver Award (upgraded from Bronze last year)
- Artsmark Award
- Tribal Quality Award

We also have aspirational staff, some of whom are undertaking second degrees and/or masters degrees, as well as two teachers who are on the Chartered Teacher Accredited Programme. We are pleased this demonstrates driven teachers who are using their learning to deliver educational excellence. A number of staff are currently involved in research projects linked to the pedagogy of reading and closing the gender gap between boys and girls.

Inspections

Visits by the Borough and moderations by the Trust continue to be overwhelmingly positive. We continue to await a full Ofsted inspection which is due by September of this year at the latest.

Results and destinations

Our Key Stage 1 phonics results (tested at end of Year 1) were in the top 3% of the country.

Our End of Key Stage Data for all phases continue to be above local authority area and national averages.

Currently, the school is placed in the top 20% of schools in the country for:

EYFS Reading, Writing and Maths at the Expected Standard in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

EYFS Good Level of Development in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

KS1 Reading, Writing and Maths at Greater Depth in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

KS1 Maths at the Expected Standard in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

KS2 Writing and Maths for Progress in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

KS2 Writing and Maths at Greater Depth in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

KS2 Higher Standard in Reading, Writing and Maths combined in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

KS2 Higher Standard in Spelling Grammar and Punctuation in 2019 was in the highest 20% of all schools

Year 6 leavers secured places at some excellent schools, as the previous cohort did last year, with almost 40% accepting a place at selective Grammar Schools or renowned Independent schools.

Fundraising

Part of our role as a School Stakeholder Committee is to support the regular fundraising efforts of the school. This is something we often have to rely on the school community to assist us with where they are able to. You can help us in various ways by:

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1. Making regular donations through our voluntary-contributions scheme on Charities Aid Foundation –see schools website.
2. Getting involved with our parent, teacher and friend's association known as Friend's Of Avanti Court (FOAC).
3. Donating to specific projects at the school which are advertised for support.

Secondary School

Community members may be interested in an update on the potential Avanti Secondary school in Redbridge. I can report the following:

- An application was submitted to the Department for Education. The Government has made no decisions as yet due to General Election, Brexit etc. and the Avanti Schools Trust are still awaiting their response.
- Pledges received at around £425k were short of £2m target and the Trust remains keen to receive additional pledges.
- The Trust continues to be committed to secondary school in Redbridge – all options will be considered going forward.

Finally

We would like to thank pupils, staff, parents/guardians, volunteers, the Avanti Schools Trust, London Borough of Redbridge and other partners for all the input and support they give to the school.

Yours faithfully,



Cllr Dhruv Patel OBE
For and on behalf of the School Stakeholder Committee

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