



## Avanti Gardens School

# PARENTS WEEKLY BULLETIN

13<sup>th</sup> November 2019

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### IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	All day	Wear a Onesie to School for Children In Need.
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	3.15 – 5.00pm	Class 2a 1:1 Parent Meetings
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00 - 4.00pm	Winter Fair

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### Contacting the school with last minute information



If you need to contact the school with last minute information we ask that you do not email the teachers. It is very unlikely that teachers will have an opportunity to check their emails or send any responses during the day.

Please give as much notice as you can if another adult is picking up your child. If there are regular people who you allow to pick up your children then they can be added to our Arbor record. Please email [info@steineracademybristol.org.uk](mailto:info@steineracademybristol.org.uk) with their name and contact details.

If the change of pick up is unavoidable please call through to reception. If reception are unable to get to the class in time your child's teacher may ask that your child come to reception at the end of pick up so that they can verify.

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### ATTENDANCE – Every Day Matters

**Student Attendance last week was 93% up from 92.5% but still below our target of 96%.**

**Student Attendance this year to date is up 91.9%, this is down on our target of 96% and stays the same as last week.**



#### THUMBS UP AWARD

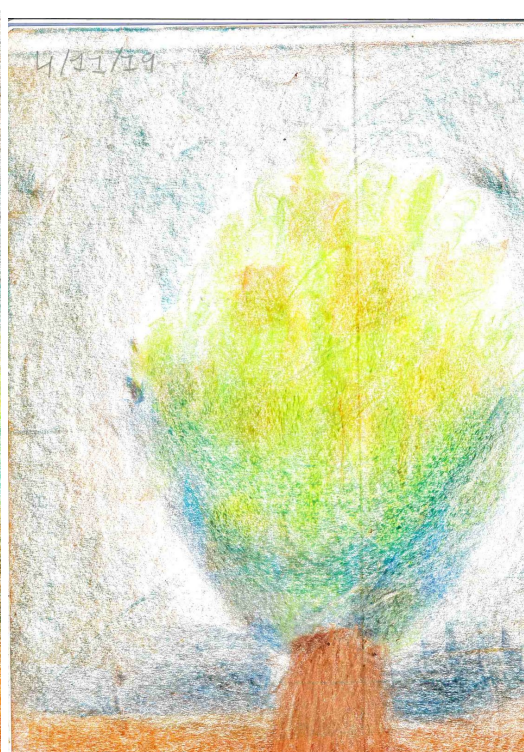
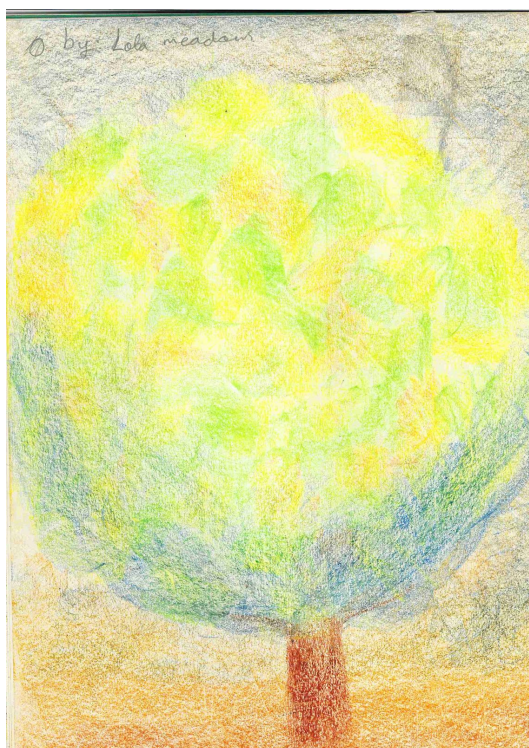
Three classes managed attendance of over 96% last week.

Oak, Class 1B and Class 3

## ART CORNER

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Here is a selection of beautiful drawings that Class 4 have done this term. As the season changes our drawings will reflect this.





## Music Lessons

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We currently offer one to one tuition in Piano, Guitar and Voice to children from class 1 upwards. We teach all styles and all levels, preparing children for performances and examinations through a variety of recognised grading systems. Our teachers are highly qualified, each of them with at least ten years of teaching experience.

Sadie Wiggin teaches Piano. Sadie has a Masters in music, with 8 years of teaching experience and uses Trinity grades in her teaching

Jimmy Goodrich teaches Guitar. Jimmy has a BA in music with 20 years of teaching experience. He uses The Guitarist's Way series, as well as Trinity and Yamaha Rock School grades.

Sheena Louise teaches Voice. Sheena has a BA in music and has taught for 15 years and uses a variety of age-appropriate exercises to develop a deep love of singing.

Scott Zimmer has been teaching Drums, Guitar and Saxophone. He will be leaving us at the end of term. We are currently seeking a replacement and will keep you informed.

All music staff are DBS checked, and up to date on all current child safeguarding procedures through recognised literature and online courses.

Sessions are 30 minutes, and take place throughout the school day, as well as after school. Sessions are scheduled carefully to avoid main lessons such as literacy and numeracy, so as not to cause any disruption to student's core education.

Lessons are £17 for 30 minutes. Music Teachers invoice parents directly.

**If you are interested in your child having lessons, please contact Jimmy on 07808005903**

## Foodbank

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Thank you to everyone who donated food items before half term, they have been now been collected by East Bristol Foodbank and they have thanked everyone at the school "We are always very grateful for the donations to foodbank as it helps us to provide for the vulnerable in our local community."

## ONION SKINS PLEASE

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Charlotte in Handwork would like your onion skins please. She just needs the papery bits from yellow and white onions.

If you have any donations, please could you bring them in to Reception.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

### SPANISH CLUB

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Mondays for homework and support. Middle School. 3.00 - 3.40

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### ARTS & CRAFT CLUB

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Bethan & Verity are running an arts and crafts after school club on Mondays from 3.00 until 4.10 This is available for children in the lower school.

### WOODWORK CLUB

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Mondays 3:15 until 4:10. Classes 1-8 (currently full)

(If any parents wanted to get involved with helping at the club please contact

[nigel.pearce@steineracademybristol.org.uk](mailto:nigel.pearce@steineracademybristol.org.uk) . )

**If you would like to enquire as to whether there are any spaces in these clubs please email**

**[info@steineracademybristol.org.uk](mailto:info@steineracademybristol.org.uk)**

**Please be there promptly to collect them, or supply a note if they are old enough to walk home.**

## By external providers

### YOGACT CLUB (Drama / Yoga / Mindfulness)

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Tuesday after school in the chapel from 3-4pm.

To request a place please get in touch with Kate on 07989 562926 or Email [katepenningkp@gmail.com](mailto:katepenningkp@gmail.com).

It is £5 per session to be paid at the beginning of the term and will be running to Dec 17th.

### CAPOEIRA

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Thursday after school in the chapel from 3-4pm.

Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian art form, a mix of dance, combat, theatre, music and song. The classes explore the key elements of movement in capoeira, the physical interactions and connection to the music. Capoeira is great for self confidence, physical fitness and learning through play. Unlike many martial arts, capoeira classes are strictly non-aggressive, focusing rather on humour, wit, play and of course sharp reflexes.

The capoeira after school club is £36 per term. Pick up is at Reception at 4pm. Classes are taught by Contra-Mestre Bob from the capoeira group Filhos de Angola.

Email [bob@dmuk.com](mailto:bob@dmuk.com) if you are interested. The link below shows examples of Capoeira.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aOo5iYBcn50>

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

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### Kindergarten

As the weather turns colder, please can you ensure your child has a labelled hat and a pair of gloves in the KG and that spares bags are topped up.

Thank you to all that attended yesterday's beautiful Martinmas festival, it truly was a lovely experience for the children and we hope you enjoyed the gingerbread too.

If you haven't done so already please could you return the plastic tealight candle to class teachers so these can be reused.

## DATE FOR THE DIARY

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