



AVANTI GARDENS
SCHOOL



Weekly News Calendar issue 11

2/12/2022



Our Avanti Pillar Focus This Term Is:

Character Formation

Our 6 Virtues are:

SELF-DISCIPLINE

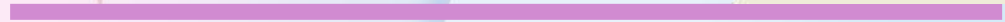
EMPATHY

INTEGRITY

RESPECT

COURAGE

GRATITUDE



DATE & Time	EVENT	LOCATION	MORE DETAILS
Monday 5th December	KS2 Cathedral Trip	Bristol	Any questions please contact Mr Ekers
Monday 5th December	Bristol Parent/Carer Coffee Morning	Conference Room	www.bristolparentcarers.org.uk
Monday 5th December	Year 3 & 4 Swimming		
Monday 5th December	Nasal Flu Vaccinations		
Tuesday 6th December	Christmas Craft Workshop for prospective families		
Tuesday 6th December 10.00am to 11.00am	Year 5 & 6 Visit to Bristol Met	Morning	Matilda Performance
Wednesday 7th December	'Wear Odd Socks' Day – Donate a £1 coin		Young Leader Fundraising for new Friendship Benches

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

a)



DATE & Time	EVENT	LOCATION	MORE DETAILS
Wednesday 7th December	Whole School Pantomime		Goldilocks and the Three Beas
Wednesday 7th December	Year 4 Foxglove Class Children's Arts and Craft Workshop		
Thursday 8th December	Year 3 Iris Class visit to Bristol Museum		Please see Mr Ekers if you have any questions
Thursday 8th December 10.00am to 11.00am	Group Tour for prospective families		
Thursday 8th December	Year 6 Snapdragon Class Children's Arts and Craft Workshop		
Thursday 8th December & Friday 9th December	CIRCOMEDIA Workshops – every class through school		
Friday 9th December	Year 5 Jasmine Class Children's Arts and Craft Workshop		

EVENTS NEXT WEEK b)



*****Teacher Led Clubs Have Now Finished*****

New Clubs Starting Next Term
Spring 2023
More Information In January...

Circomedia

New Art &
Design

Gardening
& Outdoor
projects

Lego
Continues
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Drama Contin
ues...

Mini
Singers
Continues...

Yoga
Continues...



And hopefully more...



Avanti Gardens

Winter Fair

Saturday 3rd December

11am - 3pm

Delicious Food & Refreshments

Christmas Crafts Market

Wreath Making, Craft Workshops & Face Painting

Grotto, Raffle, Bring & Buy Sale

Avanti Gardens Primary School, Oldbury Court Road entrance (**sports hall entrance, at the back**), Fishponds, BS16 2JG

All Welcome!

Free on road parking, Bike racks on-site

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With the rising cost of living, many people may be looking at alternative ways to heat their homes.



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- Avon Fire and Rescue Service is issuing advice to people to help them save safely this winter when trying to cut costs.
- If you're thinking of doing things differently at home to bring down the price of energy bills, it's important to remember to do this safely.
- Here are just a few tips to keep you safe:
 - Set the timer - when you need to use your central heating more regularly, check if your system has a timer function
 - heat individual rooms - turn radiators off in spaces that aren't often used
 - if you use electric heaters make sure they are in good working order, keep them away from furniture, curtains or anything else that could catch fire
 - check your electric blanket for wear and tear, if it is worn, replace it before use
 - if you have a log burner or fireplace make sure your chimneys, fireplaces and log burning stoves are swept and cleaned before use
 - it's vital barbecues and camping stoves are only used outdoors and not brought or used indoors
 - candles should be fitted in a candle holder, placed on a non-flammable surface and don't leave them unattended
- Read the full list of tips on the Avon Fire and Rescue Service website (<https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/safety-advice/seasonal-safety/winter/save-safely#:~:text=This%20Winter%2C%20Avon%20Fire%20%26%20Rescue,remember%20to%20do%20so%20safely.>)



For those who pay their energy bills by direct debit, payments will usually be estimated on the amount of energy used over a year.

Payments will increase if more energy is used than the supplier has estimated. Suppliers may also have recently increased their prices, although there is a limit to how much they can do this. If someone's direct debits have increased, suppliers must let you know before it happens. If they don't, a complaint can be made to the supplier.

To ensure people are paying the right amount of direct debit it's important that monthly meter readings are submitted. This means you'll be less likely to owe them extra money.

If anyone is struggling to pay their energy bills there are steps that can be taken to make sure they don't end up in debt. More information is available on the Citizens Advice website.

[\(https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/energy-supply/get-help-paying-your-bills/struggling-to-pay-your-energy-bills/\)](https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/energy-supply/get-help-paying-your-bills/struggling-to-pay-your-energy-bills/)

For more cost of living advice and support, visit the Bristol City Council website (www.bristol.gov.uk/costofliving) or call the We Are Bristol helpline for free on 0800 694 0184, Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm.



Dear families and children of Avanti Gardens,

Children are telling us that the benches around our sunken lawn are not very comfortable or inspiring. As friendship buddies, we have recognised that it is time to brighten our play area up and ensure all children have a nice place to sit so they can chat, think quietly or just take a rest between play. We would also like to have benches that as friendship buddies we can use to help children resolve any friendship squabbles and find peace.

Therefore, we would like to raise money for some jazzy new benches.

We are proposing a **'wear odd socks to school'** day on **Wednesday 7th December**. We also ask that children **donate £1 coin** to our Young Leader fundraiser so that we can raise enough money to purchase at least one bench.

Thank you for your support,

Tashi, Olivia, Wren & Orla

Avanti Gardens Friendship Buddies (Young Leaders)





AVANTI GARDENS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2022

MAIN COURSE

**FESTIVE VEGETABLE WELLINGTON, ROAST POTATOES, CAULIFLOWER CHEESE
(vegan alternative available), SPROUTS, SWEET ROASTED PARSNIPS AND
CARROTS WITH GRAVY**

OR

JACKET POTATO WITH VARIOUS TOPPINGS

DESSERTS

FESTIVE VEGAN CHOCOLATE SLICE

OR

MERRY BERRY FRUIT SALAD

PLEASE ORDER VIA YOUR PARENT PORTAL



Our Weekly
Attendance is:

90.0%

South-West average

this week was

92.5%



Our Target
is: **96.5%**

Attendance

If your child is absent, please call the school office and leave your child's full name, class name and reason for absence, or email

absence.agb@avanti.org.uk

Please use this email address for absence reporting only,
Please contact us on every day of absence before 8:45am

Please click on the link below for useful advice from the NHS as to whether your child may attend school if suffering from a variety of illnesses.

[IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL](#)

Request for absence during term time forms must be accompanied by evidence documentation, e.g appointment letter, flight booking etc, whenever possible.

There were lots of Attendance Certificates sent out this week.
Your children were thrilled to receive them!

LETS SEE IF WE CAN REACH OUR SCHOOL TARGET NEXT WEEK.



Learning Highlights

This week we celebrated the beginning of advent by making Christingles. We have also had lots of fun decorating our classrooms and getting all Christmassy!



ORCHID CLASS
LAVENDER CLASS





Learning Highlights

We have had a great week in Year 1, learning our show, practicing our songs and our wonderful walk to Oldbury Court. We are looking forward to using our new playground on Monday!



Daffodil Class

Lily Class

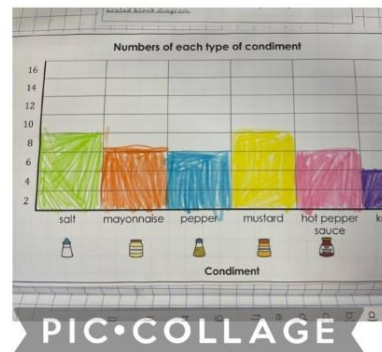
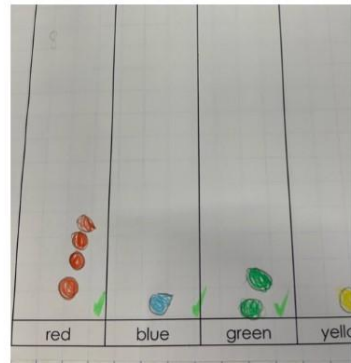
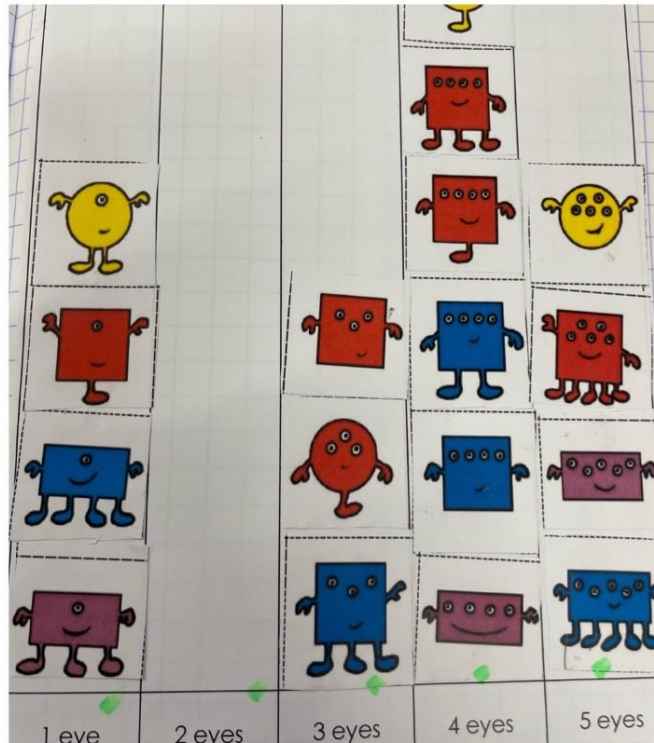
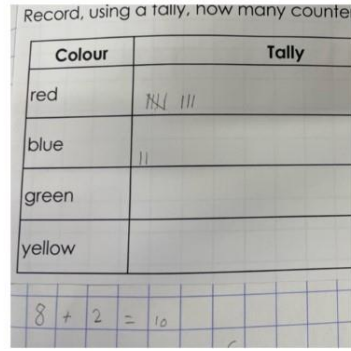
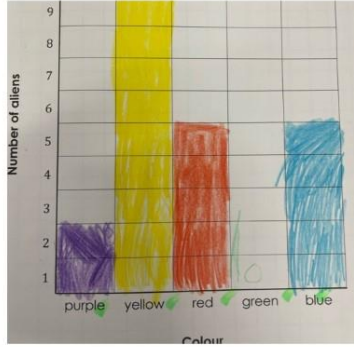
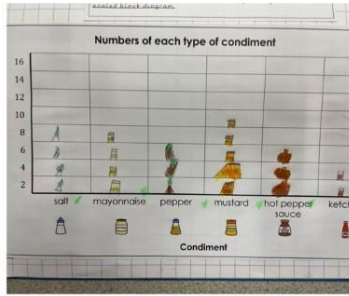




Learning Highlights

We have had lots of fun being mathematicians this week. We have collected, represented and interpreted data in many different ways! Can you spot the tally chart? Or the pictogram? Or even the block diagram?

Sunflower Class





Learning Highlights

This week we have been making Iron Age style clay pots. The children used natural items to create patterns in the clay. We have also worked hard in preparation for our Cathedral carol performance next week!

Iris Class





Learning Highlights

The festivities have begun in Foxglove class this week! We have been spending time practicing our singing for our carol concert at Bristol Cathedral on Monday and have also started making decorations for home and our classroom.

Foxglove Class





LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS

We loved performing our class assembly and Miss Charles was so proud of us. It was such a success. Thank you to those parents who were able to come.

I'm English this week we have been learning about direct and indirect speech. In Maths we have been challenged with finding the area of compound shapes.

We have really enjoyed a craft afternoon, we used felt, beads, wool and scrap paper to make decorations! Wonderful!



Jasmine Class





Learning Highlights

In Snapdragon we have been studying trail blazing artists from History. We have then modelled our work on their pieces. Can you see the similarities?

Snapdragon Class



*Have a nice
weekend*

