



# AVANTI GARDENS SCHOOL

## Family Bulletin

Dear Families of Avanti Gardens,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back for the summer term and extend a particular thank you from me to you, for the warm welcome you have given me during my first full week. I would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to those families and members of the teaching team that have joined our community for the first time this week.



This week has been an absolute pleasure for me. It has been fantastic walking around the classrooms as I have been blown away by the incredible learning that has been taking place. This week alone children have experienced some truly engaging lessons from learning about the cultural significance of Aboriginal art to the whimsical story lines of Shakespeare's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. Walking around the school, it is so clear that the children at Avanti Gardens are fortunate to have a dedicated and enthusiastic team of people supporting their continued development.

You will I'm sure have noticed the change of format to the previous newsletters. From this term onwards we will be sending out a weekly family bulletin of useful information and then a bumper publication at the end of the term to celebrate all that has taken place that term. I will be working with the children of our School Council to come up with a fitting name for this publication - which will be revealed in our opening issue. Please don't worry, we will still be posting regular weekly updates and pictures on our website, Twitter and Facebook pages for you to see.

During this first week as Principal, the inconsistency in school uniform has become very apparent to me and our visitors. The way in which students wear their school uniform reflects the importance which we place on attention to detail and pride in our school. It is also one way in which we identify ourselves as a community of schools and we believe that it promotes a strong, cohesive identity; supports high standards and expectations; and promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school. As a school we will be bringing a sharper focus to school uniform and if there is anything that I can do to support you with this then please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you to those of you who were able to meet with me at my 'parents/carers meeting' at the end of last term. At the meeting I talked about my background in and passion for Music and how this was an aspect of Avanti Gardens that I hope to develop while I am Principal. Following the huge success of the musical concerts that took place at the end of last term, we are exploring further opportunities for children to perform in the coming terms and next academic year. I personally believe that a great deal of character formation and spiritual insight come from collective performance, which are key pillars of what we teach our children through the Avanti Way.

Thank you again to those of you that have sought me out to introduce themselves, it has been lovely to meet you. I hope you have restful and enjoyable weekend, and we look forward to seeing you bright and early on Monday morning for another exciting week.

Best wishes.  
Mr Penny

Principal

# UPCOMING DATES

DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 25th April and Thursday 4th May	Daffodil Parent Discussions
Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May	Strike Day : Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 – School Closed EYFS, Years 5 & 6 – School Open
Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 4th May	KS1 Bristol Beacon Summer Sing More information to follow
Week starting 9th May	KS2 SATS Week
Monday 22nd May	Inset day

## USEFUL INFORMATION

### DAFFODIL PARENT DISCUSSIONS

Miss Dark will be holding parent discussions for Daffodil Class on the 25th April 3:30 – 5:15 and 4th May 3:45 – 5:15.

You will be able to book an appointment on ARBOR from 8pm this evening until 24th April at 11:59pm. Please come to the main reception for your appointment.

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There are still some spaces on some of the After School clubs. Please check ARBOR or external providers for availability.

	Club	Year groups	End Time	Start date	End date	Led by	for internal clubs please pay via Arbor
Tuesday	<b>Sporting Chance</b>	Years 3-6	4.45	18th April	21st May	Sporting Chance	See Sporting Chance website
	<b>Craft</b>	Years 1-6	4.15	18th April	21st May	Ms Czyn	£37.50
	<b>Cookery</b>	Years 3-4	4.15	18th April	21st May	Ms Colvin	£37.50
	<b>YogaAct</b>	Year 1-2	4.15	18th April	21st May	Ms Penning	£25 (free for FSM students)
	<b>Choir</b>	Years 3-6	4.15	18th April	21st May	Mr Ekers	Free
Wednesday	<b>Sporting Chance</b>	Reception & Year 1-2	4.45	19th April	22nd May	Sporting Chance	See Sporting Chance website
	<b>Kids with bricks</b>	Years 3-6	4.15	19th April	22nd May	Miss Hopkins	See Kids With Bricks website
	<b>Drama</b>	Years 2-6	4.15	19th April	22nd May	Ms Penning	<b>£25</b>
Thursday	<b>Cookery</b>	Years 5-6	4.15	20th April	23rd May	Ms Chmiel	<b>£25 (free for FSM students)</b>
	<b>Football</b>	Years 3-6	4.15	20th April	23rd May	Mr Taylor	<b>Free</b>
	<b>Outdoor Project</b>	All years	4.15	27th April	23rd May	Ms Jones	See Outdoor Project website
	<b>Minisingers</b>	Year 1-2	4.15	20th April	23rd May	Mr Barnett	<b>£20 (free for FSM students)</b>
	<b>Sporting Chance</b>	Year 1-4	4.45	20th April	23rd May	Sporting Chance	See Sporting Chance website

# Job opportunities at Avanti Gardens

As a growing school, we are currently advertising for the following roles for the next academic year: [EYFS Lead](#), [KS2 Lead](#) and [KS1 Teacher](#), so if you have friends or family who would be interested in applying for any of these roles, this and all future roles are on our please signpost them to our [Avanti Gardens School Career site](#)

We will also be advertising for a Midday supervisor shortly, so if you know of anyone interested in this role, please let them know of our upcoming vacancy.

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## Train to Teach - Virtual Information Session

Would you like to inspire minds? Have you ever considered teaching? Well, why not train to Teach with Avanti! #getintoteaching. There will be an online information session on Thursday 27th April from 6-6.45pm. [Click here to book your ticket via Eventbrite](#)

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### Term Dates 2022-2023

	Start	Finish	Inset days
Term 1	1 <sup>st</sup> September 2022	14 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
Autumn Half Term 2022	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	
Term 2	31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022	15 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	14 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
Christmas Break 2022	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
Term 3	9 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	
Spring Half Term 2023	13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	
Term 4	20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	
Easter Break 2023	3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2023	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	
Term 5	17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2023
Summer Half Term 2023	29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023	
Term 6	5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	



# COMMUNITY INFORMATION

TO CELEBRATE THE KING'S CORONATION  
JOIN RGSL & BWIPCC AT OUR

# FAMILY FUN DAY

**MONDAY, 8TH MAY 2023**  
12 noon - 6.30pm

65 Gordon Road, Whitehall, Bristol BS5 7DR

- CHILDREN'S RIDES
- FACE PAINTING
- DOMINO GAMES
- 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL
- QUICK CRICKET
- J & J BOUNCY CASTLES
- MUSIC, FOOD
- LICENCED BAR

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT WILLOW TREE KINDI

### Finance Lead / Office Administrator

15 hours per week initially, increasing to 20 hours per week from September.  
Salary is £22,000-£24,000 per year, pro-rata.

[Finance Lead / Office Administrator](#)

### Setting Manager / Lead Teacher

St. Werburghs, working 34.5 hours per week, 52 weeks per year.  
Salary between £25,500-£27,500 pro-rata based on experience.

[Setting Manager / Lead Teacher](#)

Contact Nicola Tapp for further information.  
nicola@willowtreetkindergarten.org.uk



We hope you have a restful and relaxing weekend and for all of those who are celebrating



We really look forward to seeing you all for the start of a new week.

From the whole Avanti Gardens Team



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