



AVANTI GARDENS
SCHOOL
Family Bulletin

DATE	EVENT
Friday 26th January	PTA Café 3:15pm – 3:45pm
Friday 9th February	Last day of Term 3
Monday 19th February	First day of Term 4
Monday 4th March	Inset Day
Thursday 7th March	World Book day
Monday 18th March	Inclusion Coffee Morning 2pm - 3pm

UPDATES

School Office

The school office is open from 8:00am until 4:00pm on Mondays and Fridays and 8:00am until 4:25pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

If you are reporting your child's absence due to illness, please email absence.agb@avanti.org.uk

If you are requesting absence for other reasons, such as appointments, please complete a request for absence form and provide proof of appointment. We can email you a form, or paper copies are available at reception.

We aim to respond to emails within four working days.

This week's Big Question

“Are there any different sorts of love?” Can you think of examples?

Inclusion Coffee Morning

Thank you to those who came to the Inclusion Coffee morning this week to meet with other parents and carers, to hear about how we identify Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and to enjoy freshly baked vegan muffins!

We know that work and other commitments mean that not everyone can attend, so we would like to share some of the information with you here.

What is a Special Educational Need?

We use the government guidance set out in the Code of Practice to identify whether a pupil may have a SEND in one or more of the four areas:

- 1 – Communication and Interaction
- 2 – Cognition and Learning
- 3 – Social, Emotional and Mental Health
- 4 – Sensory and Physical

It is not unusual for a pupil to have needs in more than one area of SEND.

The Code of Practice defines SEND as ‘A child or young person has SEN if they have a learning difficulty or disability which calls for special education provision to be made for him or her.’ A learning difficulty or disability is “when a child has significantly greater difficulty than the majority of others of the same age” or their disability prevents or hinders them from accessing the same general provision as those of the same age in mainstream school.

How do we identify SEND?

Some of the ways we identify SEND are:

- Listening to your views or concerns
- Listening to your child’s views or concerns
- Feedback from staff
- Regular assessments

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Assessment of SEND

We use the Graduated Approach to SEND which means we Assess, Plan, Do then Review. (APDR cycle). We use a Quick Checker to assess and identify specific needs. If we believe there to be a special educational need then we will discuss this with you and your child's name will be added to our SEND Register. This allows us to monitor their progress more closely. We will then plan how we will support your child and this may be in the form of an Individual Learning Plan (ILP).

What should you do if you are concerned?

The first person you should speak to is your child's class teacher. If appropriate, they will then talk to the SEND Team.

The SEND Team

Mrs Rogers – Assistant Principal for Inclusions
Miss Penberthy – SENCo and Attendance Assistant

Where can you find further information?

- SEND Information Report on the Avanti Gardens Website
- Avanti Schools Trust SEND Policy on the Avanti Gardens Website
- FLORA Bristol City Council SEND Local Offer
- SEND and You SAY – an information, advice and support service for children and young people with SEND and their families.

Further dates for Inclusion Coffee Mornings / Afternoons

Monday 18th March 2.00-3.00pm

Tuesday 23rd April 9.00-10.30am Bristol Parent Carer Forum attending
Term 6 Date TBC

ATTENDANCE

[NHS : Is my child too ill for school?](#)

SECONDHAND UNIFORM

<https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/avanti-gardens-school>

Wishing you all a fun weekend. We really look forward to seeing you all next week.

From the whole Avanti Gardens Team



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