



A WEEK AT AVANTI HOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Thought of the Week

‘Have the courage to say no. Have the courage to face the truth. Do the right thing because it is right. These are magic keys to living your life with integrity.’

W- Clement Stone, author.

Pupil at AHPS will be reflecting on this quote and unpick its true meaning. This week we discussed the terms honesty and integrity and their distinct meanings. Children shared their personal experiences around the question ‘are there times when it’s difficult for you to be honest or show integrity?’

Children have the opportunity to discuss our Avanti Values on a daily basis and demonstrate them with pride; however it becomes more and more disheartening when some parents interact with school staff in a very disrespectful manner. Our school team work hard to ensure our children enjoy their time at school, amongst other things we ensure that children’s voices are heard and changes made to make the school a better place to learn. We become saddened when members of staff are not treated with the same respect they show others. We understand that you might have had a bad day but with the same high behavioural expectation we have for our children we have the same high behavioural expectation for the wider school community. Please endeavour to uphold the Avanti Values at all times **by doing the right thing because it’s right!**

School Council

School Council have been focussing on food wastage and have been working with the school Chef to encourage children to eat all the food on their plate. Children know that once they have finished their first serving and have had some salad they can have a second helping of rice and daal, however we have noticed that some children are in a hurry to play and will make the wrong choice of throwing their food. Rohan from 5SS felt very strongly about this subject that he put a power point presentation together and delivered it to the whole school on Monday. His message was extremely powerful, he said that when throwing your food you should think about what you are wasting, water, time, effort but most importantly love. Please see attached for more details

FOAH donations

A very big thank you goes out to Hiren Bhimjani and the rest of the FOAH team for donating the chocolate surprise to end off our Easter Egg Hunt. We also extend our appreciation to the families who donated £1, the school raised slightly over £100, which we have used to buy seeds and other resources for the Sensory Garden; unfortunately we did not manage to raise enough funds to extend our Maths resources

The FOAH team also donated, child sized, gardening equipment which will enable our budding gardeners to look after the newly planted plants in the Sensory Garden. A lovely shed will follow in which to store our new equipment.

Attendance Update



Well done to two classes for 100% attendance last week.

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Year 4 visit to the Henry Moore Museum



On Friday 26th April, I really enjoyed seeing some sculptures because some drawings were really fascinating. Some sculptures were smooth, rough and steady. We also drew some sketches of these sculptures. From this visit, I learnt that drawings and sculptures don't have to be perfect. I would recommend this trip to next year's Year 4 as they can see, feel and draw the sculptures they see in the pictures that are shown to us.
Dheer Shah, 4RR

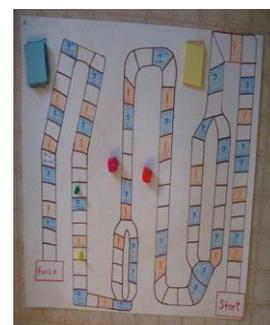
Ratha Yatra

This year we will be celebrating Ratha Yatra on Thursday 4th July 2019. This is a festival where Lord Jaganath makes His appearance and will be pulled along a procession on our custom built chariot. This year we would like our parent community to have the opportunity to receive Lord Jaganath's blessings by sponsoring vegetarian/nut free cupcakes for the children. The cupcakes will be offered and then given to the children to enjoy.

If you would like to sponsor cupcakes please see attached leaflet for more information.

Fun Maths!

Last week, during Maths Week, we wanted to focus on cross curricular links. In P.E. we looked at creating games with different scoring. This way, we could practice differentiated calculations and begin to look at the distributive law whilst also looking to practice our different skill sets; we're not quite Olympic ready but we're close! In computing, we took our scores and used them to create gaps using Microsoft Excel. We channelled our inner Richard Osman and Picasso to create a board game with links to maths. We played dominoes, a pairs game, and a number line to help us to understand the processes to make different type of games, we then got busy to make our own. English was not forgotten; we looked at rewriting a book with maths themes. If you visit you'll see them on display boards around the school but make sure you have plenty of time in your day because you won't be able to leave until you've seen them all!



Every little helps!

At AHPS, we know our parents are caring and supportive. Often, we are surprised by the generosity and kindness shown from our community of parents. We have experienced this time and time again, be it through the sacrifice of your time to support classroom teaching through to valuable parental support groups. We know you give us this support because you passionately believe in investing in the future, just as we do. It is this spirit which drives us!

We write to you today to remind you of a voluntary parental contribution scheme called Avanti Giving which we hope will be of immense value to all pupils at our school, helping the school to become not just a great school, but a world class school.

If you feel that you can further support the school please see the link below:

<https://avanti.org.uk/giving/>

Thank you.