

**Thought of the Week** 

"When we find joy in respecting others, nothing can interfere with our happiness" – HH Radhanath swami

## **Eco-Warriors in action!**

Storm Ciara graced us with her presence earlier this week, making a little mess in our outdoor environment. Thanks to the Eco-Warriors from across the school and Dale who (together) cleared the area of any unwanted objects or debris, it's business as usual again. Thank you!







# School WhatsApp

You will all now have seen the email sent by the Trust solicitors on behalf of the School, sharing our concern about a social media group that has been using the Avanti name and where many posts are derogatory about the school, school staff and the Trust.

I would advise parents not to take part in communicating messages that could be deemed defamatory and/or harassing. Groups using the Avanti School name are not approved by the School or Trust.

I have set up an official school WhatsApp group called AHPS Official PCC where all messages will be sent on my behalf and will provide parents with accurate information relating to school. This communication system will not be used to share other information but will provide accurate information relating to the school.

If as a result you have any questions, please direct them to the school for further clarification.

Please contact SSC Rep Shruti Bhimjiyani on 07952 636586 with the following information if you wish to join: your name, your child's name, child's class teacher name (please provide the above details if you have more than one child at the school)

#### **Online Safety**

This week we had discussions about keeping safe online, we talked about the types of information we could share online and the types of information we must never share. Children thought carefully as to why they would not share their name when playing an online game or any other personal information. Miss Hirani also delivered an E-Safety workshop for parents, where the discussions were on the same topic, Miss Hirani also talked about the age restrictions for certain social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram and even WhatsApp. Thank you to the parents who attended.

#### Alien Invasion

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020 at 8:30 am, the adults and children of Avanti House Primary School were startled by the fire alarm and swiftly gathered to the fire point. Suddenly, they heard a terrifying BANG! As they were drawn to the deafening noise, a large UFO appeared, and two extra-terrestrial Aliens emerged from a midst of smoke. The children wondered, where did they come and why were they here? They spent a week investigating this mystery by analysing pictures and strange slimy objects that were left behind. Pupils from Reception to Year 6 used their imagination to write fascinating stories based on the alien invasion and what they witnessed. Here are a few quotes by the children:

"The aliens were coming out of their UFO and knocked on our window! It was so scary!". Year 1 child "The alien investigation helped us to develop our English skills and work with children from other classes." Year 6 child

### **Library Monitors**

Our three Library Ambassadors, Freya, Aashi and Krisha are working incredibly hard to ensure that our library remains a wonderful place to be for our children. They have now collected application forms for the role of Class Library Monitors, they received a total of 35 applications from KS2, they had the difficult job to go through the job description and short list. They had intense discussions around each application and were able to shortlist 9. All nine are now their class library monitor. The girls have led an assembly about their expectations when using the library and have also met with the Library Monitors.

This is a great example of how our children can follow their passion and where they are given a platform to grow and not only enhance their leadership skills but also help shape their character.

# Football News! Avanti House Primary School Vs. Pinner Wood L 1-0

'Hard work and a positive attitude were not quite enough to steal the show, however the boys worked together and defended really well – Aaron in particular putting in a strong performance – and for a matter of inches, nearly scored an equaliser. Overall, no one can fault the effort of the boys, who demonstrated perseverance from the first whistle to the last and should not be disappointed that their effort was not rewarded by a point. All I can say is keep going. We're getting better game by game and the payoff is just around the corner!' Mr Smart

#### When Cinderella came to visit.

On Monday 20th January, reception classes were lucky enough to have a visit from West End in Schools theatre company. Pupils watched and participated in a fantastic pantomime of the Cinderella fairy tale to support their in-class learning based on the same story. Children enjoyed chanting responses to the actors as they met some original and hilarious characters, including a Fairy Dog Father who helped Cinderella get ready for the ball. Of course, in true fairy tale style, the story ended with a 'happily ever after' and all our pupils left with smiles on their faces, ready to respond to what they'd seen through role play, writing and creative work back in the classroom.

