

# **AVANTI MEADOWS**

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

Autumn 1 2021

AVANTI MEADOWS NEWSLETTER

### KEY DATES



Friends of Avanti Meadows (FOAM)

Friday 22nd October

Non-uniform day-£,1 donation

Monday 25th October-Friday 5th November

Half term

Monday 8th November

Return to school

Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th November

Parent consultations-Time to look at your child's books and speak with your child's teacher. More information to follow.

Friday 12th November

INSET DAY school closed to children

Monday 15th November 9.30am and 4.30pm

Phonics workshop via Zoom

#### Avanti Meadows Primary Open Events

- Thursday 21st October 2pm
- Friday 19th November 2pm
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2pm
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2pm

Please share with friends/family who are interested in a place at Avanti Meadows for their child.

Book your place here: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/avanti-meadows-primary-">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/avanti-meadows-primary-</a> school-open-afternoons-tickets-189753145767

#### Avanti Grange Secondary Open Events

We are hosting a series of open events for parents to learn about the new school and the application process:

Thursday 21st October - Group Tours & Meet the Principal (9am/11am/2pm/4pm), book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/avanti-grange-secondary-school-tourmeet-the-principal-tickets-189740588207

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Group Tours & Meet the Principal (9am/11am/2pm/4pm), book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/avanti-grange-secondary-school-tourmeet-the-principal-tickets-189740588207

Tuesday 16th November - Open Evening - 6pm-7:30pm, book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/avanti-grange-secondary-school-openevening-16th-nov-tickets-189735452847





#### Communication

The school office send regular communications via arbor as emails. Please ensure that you have marked the sender <a href="mailto:no-reply@mail.arbor-education.com">no-reply@mail.arbor-education.com</a> as safe and check that messages are not being sent to your junk box.

Please contact the school office by phone or email if you would like to arrange a face-to-face appointment or telephone call with your child's teacher.

#### Head of School meetings

From Autumn 2 I will hold fortnightly zoom meetings with parent/carers. This is <u>not</u> to discuss individual children or staff, but an opportunity for you to make suggestions, get updates etc. I will alternate the time of the meeting from during the school day to evening to ensure all parents/carers have an opportunity to attend.

The first meeting is Wednesday 24th November at 10.30am.



## Opening ceremony

Our opening ceremony on Friday 1st October was a huge success.

From the building team, Hertfordshire Council, Avanti Schools Trust, parents and children it was heart-warming to have so many of those who played a huge role in our school opening together.

I'm sure all involved will remember the day, particularly the smiling faces on our children during the balloon release. Each child had written their wish for Avanti meadows on recycled paper.

Please see some of the photos from the day.

























#### Drop off and pick up system

To ease congestion on surrounding roads we encourage parents to walk to and from school. For those that are unable to walk we are pleased to be able to provide a drop off/pick up on the school site. Please be mindful that the school is situated in a residential area and the road leading to the school entrance has restrictions. Please <u>do not</u> arrive before the gates open as cars waiting on the road outside are causing a dangerous obstruction.

Complaints of dangerous queuing traffic have already been made to the police and local council. If you need to arrive before the gates are open please find somewhere safe and legal to wait in your car, such as the car parks at Bat Willow Country Park or Grange Paddocks. Or perhaps park and stride from there. We will monitor the drop off/pick up but if there are too many complaints of dangerous obstruction of the surrounding roads we may be forced to withdraw the facility.

Thank you for your patience, understanding and consideration of our neighbours.

# Please park SAFELY

We need everyone to play their part in keeping the roads near schools safe.

#### **DRIVERS SHOULD NOT:**

- park on yellow zig zag markings.
- park on double yellow lines at any time, or on single yellows during restricted hours.
- park or drive on footpaths.
- park within 10 metres of a junction, as this decreases visibility.
- block driveways or dropped kerbs.

You may be issued with a fixed penalty notice. Thank you for your cooperation.



"I liked the tiger who came to tea book"
Child in Hazel class

"I am working hard and learning so many things" Child in Maple class "I like my teachers and the lunch" Child in Hazel class

## Pupil Voice

"I play in the home corner... I like the lego" Child in Reception class

"I like learning poetry"
Child in Maple class

"I can see that my work is improving."

Child in Oak class

"I paint my mummy and my house" Child in Reception "Spanish and English is fun" Child in Oak class

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Pupil Voice

"Yoga Is good" Child in Reception

"Playing with my friends is fun"
Child in Hazel class

"I'm making lots of friends and getting better at times tables" Child in Maple class