

# EARLY YEARS EDITORIAL



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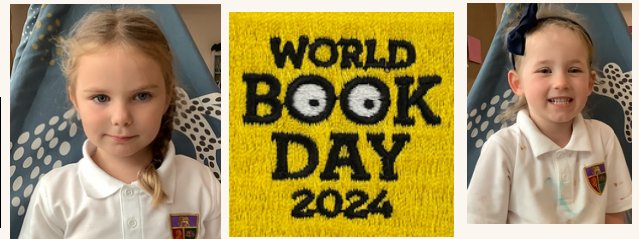
This weeks story has been Luna Loves art. The children have compared feelings and discussed the different reasons why someone might be happy or sad. The children have discovered different artists and explored different types of art from painting to sculpture, impressionists to abstract artists. The children painted pictures of flowers learning about Vincent Van Gogh.

## Reception- Elm Class

The golden award goes to Olivia for working with others to tidy up after themselves once finished with an activity!  
Freya was a little nervous when having a go at her first painting of a flower, but with a little encouragement had a go and made a beautiful picture!



It was World Book day and what wonderful things we enjoyed, from taking part in assembly, sharing vegetable book characters, writing tall tales, taking part in helicopter stories and solving number stories. The children thoughroughly enjoyed exploring stories through art and drama.



The children have really enjoyed taking part in helicopter stories. This is where they come up with their own tales and then act the story with their friends. Albie wrote a number story about an Easter bunny and 9 chocolate eggs and Edel wrote a story about 3 little pigs. If you wish to know more about helicopter stories copy the link... <https://helicopterstories.co.uk>



One day there was a (Bingo), Sney, and +mum and there was a dad. They made pan cakes all day. They played along every day. Then they had a walk because they were going to the beach. Then they went into the water and they were swimming in the wash doughnut. And then they got doughnuts to eat. The end. Genesis



Helicopter Stories

Edel - Once upon a time there were three little hens their mothers name was little Mrs Hen and one of the little ones hopped out to go to church, after church they went to go and have an icecream. And then they went to dinner and then they went to bed and before that they had a secret story.



### Phonics Home Learning

Here are some links to Fred Talk games to play: [Fred's Adventure](#), [Farm](#), [Toybox](#), [Weather](#)

Here are some links to virtual classrooms should you wish to practise sounds: 'sh', 'ng', 'nk', 'ch', 'th'



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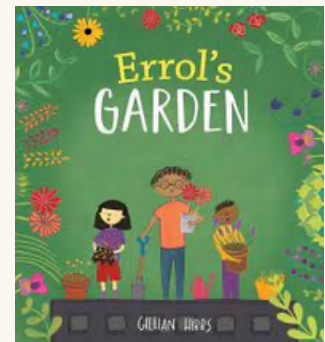
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## Pre-School- Blossom Class

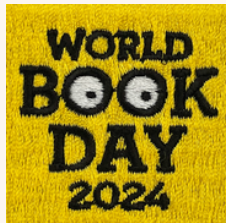


This week's focus book is called 'Enrol's Garden', written by Gillian Hobbs. It is about a boy who longs for a garden of his very own but he lives in a block of flats. He problem solves and creates a clever plan involving the community in creating a roof garden on top of the tower block. Vocabulary discussed was: flats, noticed, growing, dreamed, garden, roof, plan, luckily and changed.

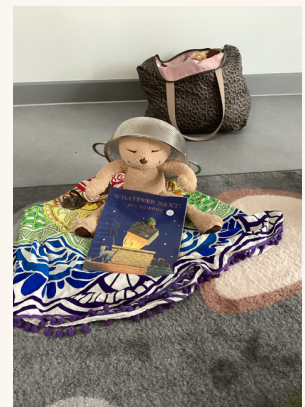


The children have been very busy learning about a very special day on Sunday, of Mothering Sunday/ Mother's Day! The children have been very busy indeed in the craft area, making artwork or cards for you. They have been completed independently and are unique for each special Mummy.

Our Yoga was linked to World Book Day and invited the children to create a noise linking to the story 'Whatever Next'!



On Friday, the children completed a celery challenge. They added food colouring to the water and watched the leaves turn from green to red or blue. This led to conversations about plants needing water to continue to be healthy. The children were VERY excited to see it had changed over lunchtime, then on Monday how bright the colours were. They observed the changes throughout this week.



# School News and Updates

## IMPORTANT DATES/CURRICULUM CHANGES

**PE lessons**– Reception children will have PE in the hall each Tuesday. Please ensure they come to school in their PE kit, wearing their plimsolls or trainers. Reception also take part in field Friday – PE kits are suggested to allow for warm, comfy clothing during this winter weather.

**Pre-School** – children have begun PE lessons in the main school hall on Tuesday mornings. They will continue to be in their normal tracksuit daily uniform.

**Yoga sessions** – Reception are on Wednesday. Please ensure Reception children come to school in their PE kit, wearing their plimsolls or trainers. **Pre-School** Yoga sessions are on a Thursday afternoon.

**Wednesday 13 March** – EYFS Parent Consultations in person

**Wednesday 13 – Tuesday 19 March** – Book Fair (all parents and children after school each day)

**Friday 15 March** – Red Nose Day – please can the children come into school wearing their uniform and something red, for example a red hair accessory, red socks, a red nose, a red t-shirt or sweatshirt over their uniform. We kindly request a donation of £1 and this can be made by clicking [here](#) ParentPay Donations Page.

**Tuesday 26th March** – Reception Class educational visit to Church Farm, Ardeley

**Thursday 21 March** – EYFS Parent Consultations online

**Thursday 28 March** – End of term – Reception finish at 1.30pm with Pre-School finishing at 3.00pm (No Late Play provision provided)

## REMINDERS AND MESSAGES

**Junk Modelling**– We are using all your junk modelling materials each day so please do keep them coming! We are still in need of large sheets or material so if you could have a look around the house for any old sheets, we would greatly appreciate it! Thank you for your help.

**Spring & Summer Menu 2024** – Please be advised that our new Spring & Summer menu has been issued and is live in ParentPay for your meal bookings. Please kindly make your meal selections for the week ahead by Wednesday evening.

**Updates to our Late Play Provision** – Our catering suppliers Govinda's is now providing the meals at our Late Play sessions. We request that your sessions are pre-booked, 2 weeks in advance and we have a 2 week notice period for any changes to your child's Late Play sessions with notification made via email: [avantibrook@avanti.org.uk](mailto:avantibrook@avanti.org.uk) Failure to cancel within the notice period will result in charges for care still applying. If you are interested in a Late Play place please contact the school office.

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## Golden Expectations

1. Be kind: think of others and help them
2. Be safe: look after yourself and others
3. Be respectful: listen carefully and act politely
4. Be honest: think before you speak or act
5. Be courageous: keep on trying your best
6. Be grateful: say 'thank you'

## Golden Certificate Award:

Pre-school: Hugo  
Reception: Kimayah and Amalie



## School News and Updates from the PTA

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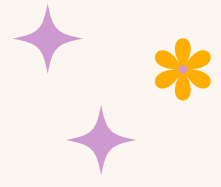
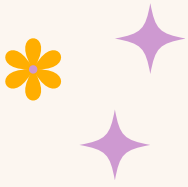
**EASTER  
EGGSTRAVAGANZA**

**SATURDAY 23RD MARCH  
12-3PM  
AT AVANTI MEADOWS SCHOOL**

**FEATURING  
EGG HUNT, EASTER CRAFTS, COOKIE  
DECORATING, GAMES, BOUNCY  
CASTLE, EASTER TREATS SALE & RAFFLE**  
\*\*\* MUST BE PRE-BOOKED TO TAKE PART \*\*\*

<b>EGG HUNT</b> <b>£7 PP</b> SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE	<b>BOUNCY CASTLE</b> <b>£4</b> UNLIMITED JUMP
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# *Updates from the PTA*

## **EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA – Saturday 23 March, 12–3pm**

We are hosting our first ever easter event, packed full with lots of fun and creative activities for you and your family to enjoy! Non-avanti siblings are welcome to attend under 2s are free but will not be able to claim an egg and only the children attending will require a ticket this will give them access to all the games and activities and our exclusive egg hunt! We shall also be holding a RAFFLE at the event with prizes such as:

Easter goodies

Basket of McMullen beer

Giftboxes

£15 voucher for Little Monsters soft-play

Escape room voucher

And much more...

Raffle tickets may only be purchased at the event!

**YOU MUST PRE-BOOK** your tickets on our PTA EVENTS WEBSITE! SALES OPEN TODAY AT 3pm! We are closing sales at 23:55 on Monday 18 March in order to organise the egg purchases. We cannot take bookings after this date or accept on the day arrivals. If you have trouble booking please do contact us for assistance by emailing [avantimeadowspta@gmail.com](mailto:avantimeadowspta@gmail.com)

To ensure this event goes ahead safely and smoothly we will require a large number of volunteers at least 12 so if you can help out please contact us.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

# Updates from the PTA

## Our Funding support

Since our last update we have been able to fund:

- £600 cost of Leavers Hoodies for our wonderful Yr6 pupils, who will be leaving Avanti Meadows in July.
- £50 in book vouchers for the World Book Day Competition.

We have also established a savings pot. So far we have raised £500 towards a whole new book collection to support Read Write Inc for Phonics. This will be a large contribution, so the more successful our events are, the more we raise to support our school. Thank you.

### EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA QR CODE ✕

Here's a QR Code for your Easter eggstravaganza event.



Event URL:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/avantimeadowspta/?event=event&eventId=78011>