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The Avanti Park Post

Dear parents and carers,

I wanted to thank you once again for your incredible support and kindness during and after the OFSTED inspection. I have to say that I have never known a term to feel so long! We are all looking forward to a couple of week off to recharge before the summer term.

I hope you all have a wonderful Easter break and that you are able to spend some time with friends and family. Fingers crossed for some sunshine and warmth.

We return to school on Monday the 15th of April and so will see you bright and early then!

With best wishes Abby Atkins

Staffing Update

After Easter we welcome Sarah West to join our TA team. Sarah is a very experienced TA and she will be working in year 5 initially.

On the 1st May Jackie Foord will join us. Jackie will replace Gemma Smith as our KS3 English maternity cover. We wish Gemma well in her next role.



Safer School Streets -ROAD CLOSURE W AVANTI PARK



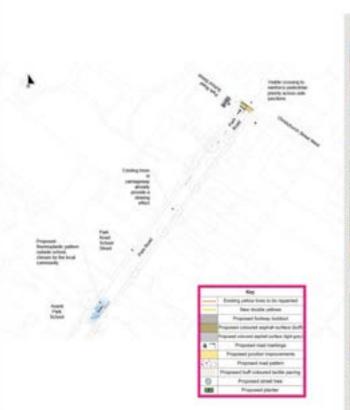
School Streets for Frome - Avanti

The following measures were designed with the community to create more child friendly streets, reduce vehicle speeds and reduce dangerous

Residents will have full access to all areas 34/7. Traffic will be restricted around the school entrance areas at peak school hours (Mon-Fri), 8:25-8:55am and 3:00-3:30pm, to improve

Avanti Park School - Carriageway patterns chosen by residents, from a selection designed by local school children. The patterns will create a child friendly street environment, parent parking on street will be reduced outside the school, and a crossing will make it easier and safer for everyone to cross the street. Planters will green the street and reduce problem parking.

Entry points - New signage at the entry points will alert drivers they are entering the school street zone, and warn of traffic restrictions ahead. Speed limits within the zone will be 20mph.







The Safer School Streets trial starts Monday, 22nd April

Park Road will be closed to traffic: 8:25 - 8:55 & 3:00 - 3:30 Monday - Friday during term time

Exemptions include: blue badge holders, parents/ guardians of pupils with EHC plans, school staff, access to residential properties within the restricted zone. healthcare workers, users of Harry's Hydrotherapy Pool, school and public transport, emergency services, postal services, utilities, highways maintenance, street cleansing and waste collection

For updates and further information, please visit bit.ly/saferschoolstreets













Principals Award





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Aspen Moe B

Walnut Poppy

> Birch Mia L

Hawthorn Max L

Maple lvy

Pine Hudson

Oak Jasmin H

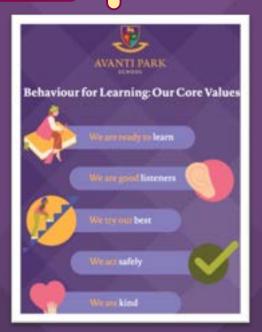
Ash Margot

> Beech Franco

Cherry Arlo D

Chestnut Duke

Awarded each half term to pupils who consistently display Avanti Park's core values and virtues.



Cedar Jasper N

Principals

Sycamore Grace H

Hazel Sunny M

Willow Andrea

Holly Sophie P-B

Rowan Arrietty

Notices





RECRUITMENT:

Additional PE Teacher

About us and the role:
We are seeking to appoint a talented and dedicated Physical Education (PE)
Teacher to join our existing Primary PE department. The ideal candidate will be passionate about teaching and learning as well as understanding the importance of positive relationships have within a school community.

Interview Date - 23rd April 2024

Click below for more info:

Job description and
application.

Comic Relief

The Avanti Park community raised just under £500 for this years comic relief!! This is a fantastic amount of money and a big thank you goes out to each and every one of you who donated and helped raise money.

Also a huge thank you to Xander Woollcombe, a parent at the school, who kindly came to talk to children in assembly about how comic relief money is used

Woodchip needed!

Here at Avanti Park school we are looking for FREE donations of wood/bark chippings for some paths around the outdoor classroom and for the area at the rear of Chantry. Are you able to help with this at all? Please contact the school if you can on – avantipark@avanti.org.uk. THANKS in advance!!

Back to
School
Of April 2024



<u>Place2Be free online parenting course</u>

Parents/carers of Place2Be schools can access our free online parenting course. It is the final week for parents and carers to sign up for our next course starting after Easter. Please click the following link to register. https://www.place2be.org.uk/family

Notices





Phones and Smart Watches

As you know we have always had a
"See it, Hear it, Lose it" policy on
phones in school.
In order to keep up with the
changing face of technology it has
become important to extend this
policy to Smart Watches.
Please support us in keeping
everyone
safe at school by not letting your
child(ren)
come to school with a Smart Watch
on.

Even if they are not connected to the Internet whilst at school, they can contain messages and photos and be a distraction in the classroom.

Thanks for your understanding!

PE KIT REMINDER!!

Please ensure your child has a full P.E kit next term;

Navy shorts or joggers, white T shirt and trainers (daps for EYFS to year 2). Many children in school don't have a full kit and this is extremely time and labour intensive lending and washing extra kit regularly. P.E kits are to be brought into school and left on their pegs at the beginning of term, ready for each lesson.

Many Thanks. Primary P.E.

Fundraising

A wonderful £134.70 was raised by the year 3 bake sale, with all proceeds going to Lauren May of Cornpop Critter Rescue.

Thank you to all of our bakers!



Order Your School Uniform Online





Orders are placed in a queue until 15th and 30th of each month and delivered into School up to 14 days after.



SUPPLYING SCHOOLS Since 1990

SUMMER HOLIDAY ORDER INFORMATION

Last order date for free delivery into school is **14th June** then service switches to home delivery until **13th September**

(Place your home delivery order by 26th July for delivery before the start of term)

www.brigade.uk.com

Register today to avoid missing out on Brigade promotions or important notifications by logging onto www.brigadeparents.info or scan QR code



SEND Newsletter







We are lucky in Frome to have a wide range of support for parents/carers of children with additional needs. Please see below for further information:

SEND Navigator

Frome Town Council have created the role of SEND Navigator -a person who is there to help families of children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities in Somerset to:

- Access good quality information.
- Signpost to people who can help.
- Support parents to prepare for meetings and appointments.
- Help parent carers understand what help is available.
- Help parent carers by supporting with completion of forms such as DLA, PIP and applications for funding from grants.
- Help parent carers build confidence in understanding and supporting their child's needs.

So, come and meet Tasha our new SEND Navigator at one of the Parent Carer Drop-In session Frome Town Hall 10am -12pm

- Thursday 28th March
- Thursday 25th April
- Thursday 27th June
- Thursday 25th July
- Thursday 26th Sept
- Thursday 28th Nov

Frome Autism & ADHD parent Forum

Information about this group can be found on this FIND link Frome Autism ADHD Parent Forum - Frome Town Council

They run a thriving Facebook support group along with monthly drop in sessions at the Town Hall and activities in the holidays for families. See dates below

fromeautism.adhdparentforum@gmail.com



We are a friendly, welcoming support group for families of children with additional needs.

We offer a monthly group session where we can provide support, advice and signpost to other useful organisations.

Dates for 2024
January 15th 10am -12pm
February 12th 10am -12pm
March 18th 10am -12pm
April 15th 10am -12pm
May 20th 10am -12pm
June 17th 10am -12pm
July 15th 10am -12pm
September 16th 10am -12pm
October 21st 10am -12pm
November 18th 10am -12pm
December 16th 10am -12pm

Venue - Frome Town Hall Cafe

Come along for a cuppa, make new friends and share experiences in a private and safe space.

We look forward to welcoming you!

Any questions please emailfromeautism.adhdparentforum@gmail.com or join us on Facebook.

The Big Walk & Wheel











As part of the recent big walk & wheel event, Students had fun making smoothies using pedal power to blend their ingredients.



The Big Walk & Wheel









As part of the Big Walk and wheel, the wonderful Mojo Moves hosted a walking bus on the 20th March. Families enjoyed an energetic dance in the park before a fun walk to the school gates.

Year 4 Longleat trip

















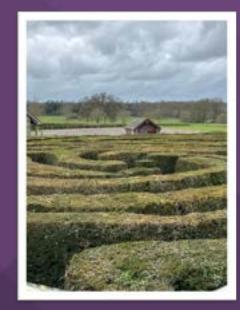
Year 4 Longleat trip

















KS3 Digital Leaders





Our KS3 digital leaders have been working hard to support both children and teachers in the primary phase with their computing knowledge; Mrs Vitellaro said 'It has been invaluable having the support of the older children - their subject knowledge not only helps me but also ensures a deeper understanding for the class I teach.'

Avanti Park Cross Country





Cross Country- that's a wrap!

The cross country team did wonderfully well at Millfield Prep on Tuesday. I almost lost my voice cheering them on! This was their last meet of the year and every competitor tried their best. Well done to Willow Antell, Luna King Evans, Jagoda Swietlik, Murphy Wood, Bella Sturdy, Baxter Hallybone, Harriet Lamb, Ellie Holzer, Rosie Antell, Poppy Redmond, Matilda Kotyrba, Ella Horsfall, Asha Feast and Sasha Burns. Final results, positions will be announced in Friday's assembly, as always.

Here are a few pictures of some of the runners...







Year 2 Interhouse Sports





Well done to Year 2 who took part in different activities to develop their coordination, stamina and team working skills during their multi skills competition which was run by the Year 8 Sports Leaders. They did roll a goal, tennis keepy uppy's with a balloon, collect the treasure, hurdles, shuttle runs and a quoit throw. They all did brilliantly, with the overall winners from both classes being Dommett!

Thanks to Hawthorn Class in Year 8 for running the event!









Netball and Football Match v Oakfield











Year 6,7 & 8 Fixture v Oakfield

On Tuesday 12th March, 20 students from Avanti Park went up to Oakfield to take part in a Football and Netball fixture. It was decided when we arrived that we would combine the year 7 & 8 footballers and play 11 aside. As this was the first time they had played together as a team, the first half was a little frantic. After a motivating team talk from Mrs Webb, the team was more structured in the second half and they were very close to scoring. They lost 6-0 but a great learning experience for them. Massive praise to the following who took part and never gave up despite the score: Max, Will, Jude, Kayden, David, Ricky, Reggie, Zain, Beau, Shalin, Reuben. Adam and Rowan.

The Netball team were very nervous and took a while to warm up and remember the role of their positions, but by halftime they were leading with some super goals from Sophia. They got in their groove and showed excellent passing and moving skills to overcome Oakfield 6-4 by the end of the match. Well done to Sophia and Amelie for scoring all the goals and to all the team for taking part.

Sophia, Amelie, Rosie, Coco, Liberty, Ella and Mercedes

Year of the Recorder Concert





On Wednesday 13th March, pupils from APS joined with pupils from six other schools in Frome under the leadership of Anna Stegman and Tabea Degus from local music hub, Jackdaws, to celebrate the Year of the Recorder & to perform the musical story 'Joshua's Magic Flute'. 45 children from Year 3 & 4 attended, playing glockenspiels & recorder, alongside brass & stringed instruments from other schools.

Back in February, Anna & Tabea led a whole school assembly & then a workshop for Year 4 to introduce the pieces and then it was a matter of hard work & focus in the interim until the Big Night where we performed to a large audience, filling our local venue, the Cheese & Grain.

Well done to all the performers for courage, resilience, perseverance & hard work & a big thank you to Anna & Tabea for masterminding the whole thing.



First Aid at Avanti Park











Five members of staff renewed their Paediatric First Aid certificate this week, staying at school until 7pm for two nights plus they had to complete 6 hours online training.

Great fun was had by all as you can see...

Clubs after Easter





Enrichment Provision 2023-24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School (Wraparound Care)	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 7.45 - 8.45	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 7.45 - 8.45	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 7.45 - 8.45	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 7.45 - 8.45	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 7.45 - 8.45
Lunchtime Clubs					
After School (Wraparound Care)	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 15.15 - 17.00	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 15.15 - 17.00	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 15.15 - 17.00	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 15.15 - 17.00	Wraparound Care Club – Bookable via the Parent Arbor App: 15.15 - 17.00
After School Clubs	Craft Club: Years 6, 7 & 8 15.15 - 16.15 £10 helenmepham@gmail.com Lego Club: all ages 15.15 - 16.15 £5 https://www.golego.club/ Dance Fusion: Years 2, 3 & 4 15.15 - 16.15 £6 lucygoldsack2001@yahoo.co. uk Forest School Club: Yrs 4 - 6 15.15 ~ 17.00 £11.25 https://www.getearthwise.co. uk/after-school-forest-school Tiger Martial Arts Tae Kwon-Do Infants (Yr 1-3): 18.35 - 19.15 Juniors (Yr 4-8): 19.15 - 20.00 £32 a month www.tigermartialarts.club/mo nthfree	Battle Cats ~ Ages 5 - 7 Freestyle Wrestling Club for kids! 15.15 - 16.15 £6 https://www.battlecats-wrestling.co.uk/book-now-1 Drumming Club: All ages 15.15 to 16.15 £7 mikemcelya76@gmail.com Forest School Club: Yrs 1, 2 & 3 15.15 - 17.00 £11.25 https://www.getearthwise.co.uk/after-school-forest-school Creative Makers: Years 1-5 15.15 - 17.00 £11 Creative-makers.co.uk Multi Sport Club: Years 6, 7 & 8 15.15 - 16.15 Free - book on Arbor	Football Club: Yrs 3 – 7 15.15–16.15 £4.50 https://igsportscoaching.co.uk /avanti-park-school-clubs/ Children's Yoga - Year 1, 2 and 3 15.15–16.30 £6 Kidsyogawithsophie@gmail.co m. Lego and Pokemon Club: All ages 15.15 – 16.15 £5 https://www.golego.club/ Adventures in Dance: Years 4/5/6 15.15 – 16.15 £6 To book: adventuresindance.co.uk	Battle Cats ~ Yrs 3 + up Freestyle Wrestling Club for kids! 15.15 – 16.15 £6 https://www.battlecats- wrestling.co.uk/book-now-1 School Choir ~ Yrs 3 – 6 Free 15.15 – 16.15 Book via school office Forest School Club: Yrs 1, 2 & 3 15.15 ~ 17.00 £11.25 https://www.getearthwise.co.uk/after-school-forest- school Creative Makers: Years 1- 5 15.15 – 17.00 £11 Creative-makers.co.uk	Lego STEM: All ages 15.15 – 16.15 £6 https://www.golego.club/ Circomedia ~ Circus Skills: 16.00 – 17.00 (5 - 7 yrs) 17.00 – 18.00 (8 - 11 yrs) 18.00 – 19.15 & 19.15 – 20.30 (11 - 18 yrs) £7/h Youth Circus – Circomedia Art Club: Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 15.15 – 16.15 £8 abigailreed@hotmail.co.uk

Here is the link to the clubs flyer with the full details for all clubs: <u>Clubs flyer</u>

<u>SAFEGUARDING:</u> If your child is unable to attend a club after school other than it is essential that you let the club leader know that they won't be attending that day – if you cannot get hold of the club leader, please ensure you have contacted the school office.

Co-Parenting Course





Having a straightforward co-parenting relationship with your ex-partner can be fraught with difficulties. This is where we can help.

5th June: 9.30am-11.30am @ Frome Town Hall https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/872370783497?aff=oddtdtcreator 25th June: 6pm-8pm @ Frome Town Hall https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/872367313117?aff=oddtdtcreator

If you are a separated parent, or a parent who are experiencing relationship difficulties are welcome to sign up. come and join us for a relaxed and supportive Cafe where we chat about how to successfully navigate co-parenting challenges. Whether you are newly separated, have been separated and co-parenting for a while, or experiencing relationship difficulties, this Cafe is designed to give you practical tips on dealing with the challenges, putting the well-being of your children at the centre. Ruth James, will be running the Cafe and will share top tips and advice to help you:

1.Develop a successful co-parenting relationship and reduce conflict.

2.Understand how you can stay connected with your children and support them with smooth handovers and transitions.

3.Find out more about practical tools to reduce conflict in co-parenting communications.

4.How to manage different styles of parenting in different homes.

There will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have.

Please note that this Cafe is not appropriate if there is currently domestic abuse in your relationship. If you are in an abusive relationship, please go to <u>Somerset Domestic Abuse</u> for the support you need.

This is what a couple of parents said about a Cafe:

"Worth going to. Feels supportive – come out of hiding and speak with others."

"Safe space to talk, no judgements."

The Cafe has been organised by Melody Hunter Evans, Children and Young People's Project Officer, Frome Town Council and will be run by Ruth James, the Reducing Parental Conflict Coordinator at Somerset Council. Ruth has many years' experience of working with parents and is now working with parents to reduce parental conflict.

We will be serving tea, coffee, and cake as this is a Cafe! Places are limited so please book early to guarantee your place.

We look forward to meeting you.

Melody and Ruth

For more information about relationship support for parents please go to:

Somerset children & young people: Health & Wellbeing: Somerset Parents And Carers Managing Relationship Conflict (cypsomersethealth.org)

Events





CREATIVE MAKERS





Great news! Creative Makers is running art camp for children aged 5-10 during the at Avanti park school. The sessions will be run by a qualified and experienced Art and Design teacher.

the sessions, students will explore the work of various artists and create works that are inspired by them. They will also work in groups and use a range of materials to create paintings, prints, sculptures and large installations pieces. At the end of each day, all students will have creative work to take home. Each day is a fresh project, so you can attend one or all days and still have a unique experience.

All materials needed for the Art camp will be provided. The camp will run from 9am -3pm each day

Places are limited, it is recommend that you sign up as soon as possible by heading to creative-makers.co.uk The art camp is a great opportunity for your child to explore their creative side and fun during the holidays



Dates: 2nd and 3rd April





Charity Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday 30th March 2024 11am-2pm in Nunney

E5 per child

All money raised goes to Purple Elephant Family Support charity



Can you follow the clues around Nunney to find your egg?

> To book your place please contact rebeccapurpleelephant@gmail.com

For more information about Purple Elephant please visit www.purplestephant.org.uk



Dear Parents & Carery,

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admin@tige-martislants slab or by phone between 10am for 0711181988.

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scrapstore@thepodcharity.org.uk 07724315600

The Pod is a registered charity in England + Wales. Charity no 16/042.

Traffic and Pedestrian Management Plan

Please see below a copy of the school Traffic and Pedestrian Management Plan details of which have been in place since the school first opened in Frome in September 2014. Please can we ask all parents to read this carefully. Many thanks, the Avanti Park Health & Safety Team.

TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN MANAGEMENT PLAN

Pedestrian Movement:

We ask all parents to ensure their children walk, cycle or scoot to school where possible.

Parents, pupils, and staff are asked to use the pavements and to be thoughtful

about other pedestrians' using Park Road.

Pupils on scooters and bikes are requested to walk their bikes once they reach the boundaries of the school, at the main school entrance and down the school road

to the pond gate.

There are several stone and brick walls bordering the school grounds including a

low wall on the edge of the neighbouring Christchurch Parish Hall. We request

that parents do not let their children walk along these walls as we cannot guarantee their safety.

No pedestrians to walk to or from the pond gate through the car park

Vehicle Movement:

As a school community our aim is to limit vehicles entering Park Road as it is a no through road and there is very limited parking on the road. We request that

parents driving from a distance to the school park in one of the local car parks or

in the surrounding area and walk their children into school.

Limiting vehicle movement is important for:

- Safety of pupils and parents
- Safety of other pedestrians and Park users
- Being good neighbours to people who live and work on Park Road
- Vehicle use of the Car Park:

There is no drop off parking at the school site for parents except by special arrangement.

There are four drop off spaces and three disabled spaces that are for the use of pupils with access needs and these spaces need to be arranged with either the School Business Manager or the school SENDCo

There is a one-way system in place in the car park and all vehicles will enter via the top entrance and anyone wishing to use this entrance will need to complete the 'Use of Car Park Form' available from the office.

All vehicles to drive at a maximum speed of 5mph

The car park will be assessed for safety in conditions of ice and snow and may on occasion be closed by the Health & Safety team in order to keep staff, pupils, and parents safe.

No vehicles will be allowed on site during the school day unless accompanied by two members of the Site and Health & Safety Team.

Special Thanks

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We are continuing our "Special Thanks" scheme in to the new year whereby parents, guardians, and carers are able to nominate and recognise staff for their efforts for supporting members in our Avanti community. This scheme was piloted at Avanti Park last year and made a real difference to our staff and their wellbeing.

To nominate a member of staff, please click on the following link:

https://avanti.org.uk/avantipark/parents/staffnominations-for-special-thanks/



Stay Safe, Be Well









