The Avanti Court Newsletter

Dear Parents/carers, (Autumn 2014: Issue 2)

In line with the example of democracy at play with the Scottish referendum, our school community has been voting as part of our work to establish strong British values within our own distinctive Hindu ethos. Children voted for their ambassadors, the parent body voted for their parent governor and children voted for the project they wanted to spend FOAC's fundraising money. Pupil voice is a key aspect of our school and we want to find opportunities for children to take a lead in *their* school. With kind regards, James Biddulph Head Teacher

Inspired Learning

Headteacher's

Message



Congratulations to the children Chosen to be the school ambassadors

Year 3: Ranveer& Shushumna

Year 2 Zielony - Pranathi & Caiden Year 2 Harit: Kanimoli & Jenika Year2 Green: Balaram & Priya Year 2 Verdi: Joshan & Fiza

Year 1 Niebiski: Solan & Shrudda Year 1 Kam: Thanisha & Ishanth Year 1 Azul: Tanishi & Ammar Year 1 Neela: Faith & Siddarth

'All reception children are all on GOLD for settling into their new reception life! Their teachers we are ever so proud of them because of how they have settled in and for trying their best at lunchtime'. PARENT VOTE I am delighted to announce that Mrs Tank was voted in a parent governor. She will be joining Mr Chet Patel as the parent contribution to the Governing Body. Thanks to Mrs Pandya and Mrs Nassa for putting their names forward.

Lateness is on the increase.

The governors and I have noticed an increase in the number of children arriving late. We have documented such lateness and will be in discussion with the local authority Educational Welfare Officer to find ways to improve this.

For clarity:

8.20-8.30 Arrive at school and wait with your child in the playground until the teachers take them inside. You are responsible for your child until 8.30.

The doors in Year 2 will be locked as soon as the class has entered. Any children not in line will be marked in late and parents will need to take them to the main office to do this. This will ensure we can account for every child.

Please do not ask members of staff to take children into school when they late – they will now politely refuse.

The main reason is that children are missing out on the first vital moments of the day and will start falling behind their peers, which I hope you agree is unacceptable.

Children vote with their stars!

All our children voted for their favourite project to improve the school. There was an overwhelming agreement to refurbish the gym! The second project voted was to add to the library with more books. The Headteacher will be in discussion with FOAC and contractors to get the work started!

Safeguarding



PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY A NEED FOR SAFETY FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Parking in Carlton Drive is dangerous to children. Last week Mr Darren tried to explain the reason for not coming down the drive to one parent, but the parents refused to listen and drove into him resulting in the police being called and Mr Darren attending A&E and having time off work. This type of attitude will never be tolerated at our school and I am sure you agree that despite the inconvenience, the safety of children is our main concern and always will be.





29th Sep @ 9am for Reading Volunteer Training

Calling all parents! Do you have any old musical instruments collecting dust in your loft? Perhaps an old guitar or violin? If so we would very much like it if you could donate your instruments to Avanti Court so that our lovely learners can explore music! Get looking and Get Donating! Please ensure all instruments are clean and safe for children to explore.

PAYMENT PAYMENT PAYMENT !!!! (to make your life easier) We are in the process of organising online payments for your ease – for lunch money, school trip and any other voluntary donations. This has been requested by many parents and as a listening school we are committed to investing in this area. Until 17th October please continue paying in cash or cheque to the school. We will inform you how to logon and create an account for after half term.

Golden Awards

Purple Class – Vikram Katechia Harit Class – Shivani Patel Zielony Class – Radha Lale Green Class – Vaanya Tripathi & Ayan Hirani Verdi Class – Emilija Iakobchuk Neela Class – Hansika Vinoth Kumar Blue Class – Ansh Niebieski Class- Ananya Kajekar Azul Class – Neil Golchha

Attendance

Purple Class – 98.46%

Harit Class – 95.33% Zielony Class – 93.50% Green Class – 85.17% Verdi Class – 98.58%

Neela Class – 88.13% Niebieski Class – 91.36 Blue Class – 93.24 Azul Class – 96.05





Navaratri is a festival dedicated to the worship of the Hindu deity Durga. The word *Navaratri* means 'nine nights' in Sanskrit, *nava* meaning nine and *ratri* meaning nights.[2] During these nine nights and ten days, nine forms of Shakti/Devi are worshiped. The tenth day is commonly referred to as Vijayadashami or "Dussehra" (also spelled Dasara). Navratri is an important major festival and is celebrated all over India. It's about to begin

October brings the time of Kartik, a time when we can offer to Krishna and be closer to Him. Damodar is when Krishna was tied by Mother Yashoda with a rope signifying our everlasting loving relationship with Krishna and the effort needed to find Him and the mercy given by Him to be found.

Key Dates



10th October: School Closed to children INSET day Diwali 15th Oct – tickets soon! Half Term Holiday 18th October to 2nd November (2 weeks so please book your holiday during this time – you may find a deal because other schools only have 1 week!)

Christmas Holiday starts on 19th Dec (school closes at 1.30)

Quote of the Week



It is better to live your own destiny imperfectly than to live an imitation of somebody else's life with perfection – Bhagavad Gita 3.35