



**AVANTI COURT**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Excellence Virtue Devotion**



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Dear Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a very Merry Christmas.

Thank you to all who attended the Winter Wonderland Event, the Early Years Nativity and to those parents who supported the choir recently. Another thank you to the families who donated festive food to Springfield Residential Home last week!



May I remind all families that pupils return to school on: Monday 4th January 2016!

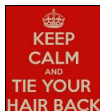
Regards,  
Mrs Walters



### Health and Safety!

Please do not leave your children unaccompanied in the playground before 8:30am. To keep your child safe please remain with them until they go into the school building!

For your child's safety please would you kindly ensure that if your child has long hair it is tied back.



### WELL DONE!

Congratulations to Yajna in Year 1 who is the winner of the 'Sherpa' Design a Christmas Card' competition.



**A THANK YOU...** A huge thank you to FOAC who organised a fantastic Winter Wonderland for our school community-it was amazing!



### GOOD LUCK...

Our School Choir were asked to sing a variety of Christmas carols at Springfield Centre for the elderly on: Wednesday 16th December 2015, which was a real honour. The residents were so happy to see the children and of course join in with the singing! Thank you to all our parent helpers!



### DANCE FEVER...

Pupils from Years 2-4 from Krishna Club. Performed their wordless performance of Ravana at Oaks Park Secondary School on: Wednesday 9th December 2015. They were absolutely super and definitely filled the theatre with Avanti magic during their heartfelt rendition of the Ramayan!





# Christmas at Avanti



## CRISTMAS!

Our Nativity celebrations took place on: Tuesday 10th November 2015. The performance led by the Early Years team was very professional and absolutely stunning. The children worked extremely hard to learn such wonderful music and watching their faces as they performed was very magical indeed!



## PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP

### PARENT VIEW

Remember to add your views!

<http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>



### Head and Deputy Open Forum

The next forum will be on: 28th January at 3:30pm in the main hall.

The following meeting will be on 16th March at 3:30pm. Please come along so that you can discuss how we can make Avanti even better!

## THE AMBASSADORS UPDATE...

The Ambassadors have been really busy at work this month! They have delivered inspirational speeches to their classes, encouraging all children to come to school every day! They have been busy at work, organising the 'Cinema Afternoon' for all those children who attended school everyday this Half Term.



One of the issues that the Ambassadors discussed, was that children felt that some lessons were not as interesting as they could be. So the Ambassadors went on a learning walk across the school on the hunt for fun lessons and I am pleased to say that they found lots of interesting learning taking place!



## SAFEGUARDING!

### Staying Safe

#### Remember parents to:

Parents please be mindful with what you share online particularly through social media. If you take photographs at school social events please make sure that these photographs are not shared on social media particularly on WhatsApp groups or on You Tube.

Please ensure if your child is absent from school that you inform the school on the first morning of their absence, this is so we know where your child is. The school office spends a considerable amount of time each day phoning parents to find out the reason for absence.

Please also let the school office know if you change your address and telephone number- this is very important should we need to contact you in an emergency.

#### TERM DATES 2015-2016

Spring terms 1 begins on: Monday 4th January 2016

Spring term 1 ends: Friday 12th February 2016

Spring term 2 begins on: Monday February 22nd 2016

Spring term 2 ends on: Thursday 24th March 2016

Summer term 1 begins on: Monday 11th April 2016

Summer term 1 ends on: Friday 27th May 2016

Summer term 2 begins on: Monday 6th June 2016

Summer term 2 ends on: Wednesday 27th July 2016



#### 100% ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Congratulations to those pupils who received their 100% attendance certificates for the Autumn term yesterday.



Can I congratulate Gold Class again for winning the weekly attendance trophy for the highest attendance this week!



#### COMPUTING UPDATE BY MR PATEL-YEAR 3 LEAD AND COMPUTING LEAD



Thanks to a generous donation by Rahul Oza via the Royal Bank of Scotland, each one of our classes in Early Years now have their very own set of bee-bots complete with a docking station. The easy-to-operate robots are perfect for teaching sequencing, estimation skills and problem solving.

E-safety is very important at Avanti Court. Thank you to all those parents who attended the e-safety workshop in Autumn 1. If you could not attend, the power-point is available on our school website.

[http://www.avanti.org.uk/avanticourt/sub\\_section.php?section=140&sub=580](http://www.avanti.org.uk/avanticourt/sub_section.php?section=140&sub=580) – e-safety guidance

Children across the school have also been learning about the importance of staying safe online. Every class discussed the possible dangers online and created colourful and eye catching e-safety posters to remind us of how to stay safe. Children also discussed how to differentiate between friends and strangers online, remembering never to share personal information such as: their full name, date of birth and personal address.

Spam, unwanted messages on social media and chat-rooms were also discussed in Key Stage 2. Using the website below, pupils learnt how to action any dangers they come across online. Please surf safely over the festive period and perhaps you can share the websites below with your children.

[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5\\_7/LeeandKim/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/LeeandKim/) for Ages 5-7  
[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8\\_10/cybercafe/Cyber-Cafe-Base/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/cybercafe/Cyber-Cafe-Base/) for ages 8-10

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