



**AVANTI COURT**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Excellence Virtue Devotion**



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## Dear Families,

What a fantastic and busy half term it has been. I have received an incredible welcome from the whole community, which reminds me of the privileged position I am in.

I would like to congratulate our Year 2 pupils who are busy working towards their Year 2 SATs. All pupils have worked extremely hard and we are all so very proud of them.

May I thank the group of parents who attended the open forum on: Wednesday 20th May. Your feedback was most valuable and really shows the power of parental and school partnerships. I look forward to meeting more parents in the future so we can make Avanti even better!

Please note that school resumes on: Monday 1st June. Have a truly wonderful break.

Regards,

## CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

Are you a keen gardener who would be happy to help look after our plants? If you can volunteer some of your time on a fortnightly basis please do contact the school as we need you!



## VALUES...

“If you want to see the brave, look at those who can forgive. If you want to see the heroic,

look at those who can love in return for hatred.”

“Meet this transient world with neither grasping nor fear, trust the unfolding of life, and you will attain true serenity.”

Two inspirational quotes from the Bhagvad Gita

## EVERY SECOND COUNTS!

Unfortunately, I will be meeting a number of families who now fall into the “Persistent Absentees” category with pupil attendance regularly below 85%. This may mean our Educational Welfare Officer will get involved with the families. Please make sure your children attend school every day and arrive on time at 8.25am for 8.30am.

**Every second counts...**

## A THANK YOU from Mrs. Poonam Parry

The Parent Community kindly rallied together to help Khalsa Aid with vital items desperately needed for the Nepal Disaster Relief Fund (NDRF). Not only was this project a success in helping with the relief effort, but also gave the opportunity for parents to teach children the grace of donating and helping others in less fortunate circumstance and at their greatest time of need.

We would like to say a very BIG thank you to all parents and children for donating the requested items for the NDRF; we were very much overwhelmed by your generosity and appreciate everything you have done.



## A WARM WELCOME

I would like to welcome Dimple Pandya as an Associate Governor onto the Governing body. Dimple will be responsible for sourcing various grants and possible funding opportunities for our school, which is fantastic!

## GOOD LUCK MAYUR-VERDI CLASS

I had a lovely email from Mayur’s mother in Verdi class informing me that he will be swimming 10 plus widths to raise money for Nepal following the recent earthquake. His sponsored swim will take place during half term.

If you would like to sponsor Mayur please speak to his mum, who like us is very, very proud of his kindness-good luck Mayur!



## CLASS ASSEMBLIES-SUMMER TERM

**Please do come and watch your child’s class assembly this term!**

- Blue Class** 5.06.15 at 8:40am
- Niebieski Class** 12.06.15 at 8:40am
- Shukla and White Class** 19.06.15 at 8:40am
- Harit and Zieolony Class** 30.06.15 at 8:40am
- Blanco and Balta Class** 3.07.15 at 8:40am
- Green and Verdi Class** 10.07.15 at 8:40am

# THE DAY THE FARM CAME TO VISIT....



What a wonderful day it was for our Reception and Nursery classes who paid a visit to our very own farm on: Friday 24th April 2015. Geese, a donkey, a rabbit and even goats all came to say hello!

A huge thank you to Ms Sahota for arranging such a spectacular event for our pupils to enjoy.



## WELL DONE!

Eesha Ruparelia, a reception pupil at Avanti Court won a borough-wide poster competition in a bid to encourage children and parents to walk to school.

Eesha's fantastic winning banner now takes pride of place near our entrance and will soon be displayed outside other Redbridge schools which is a fantastic achievement.



## PE AWARD WINNERS FOR THIS MONTH

Mr Eaton, our Sports Coach from J and C Academy, has identified the following pupils because of their enthusiasm, dedication and teamwork skills. I am sure you would want to congratulate them all with me!

- Harit: Jackson Chukwu-Nsofor**
- Green: Ayan Hirani**
- Purple: Justin Nwachukwu**
- Zielony: Aarush Panwar**
- Verdi: Naim Mudhar**



Very well done children!

## SAFETY FOR OUR PUPILS

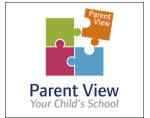
As from Monday 19th May extra staff will be on duty by the main gates and the Reception entrance to ensure the safety of all pupils. Staff will take up their positions from 8:15-8:30am.

## 100% ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Pupils who receive 100% attendance for every half term will be awarded an exclusive 100% attendance badge and a certificate. Names of these pupils will be placed in our very own attendance box and at the end of each term a name will be pulled out! If your child's name is pulled out they will receive a £10 Waterstones voucher to spend on books of their choice!



## PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP



### PARENT VIEW

Remember to add your views!  
<http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

### OPEN FOAC PARENT FORUM

Open FOAC Forum– 5th June 2015 from 4:15-5:15pm. Meet the Head teacher and Deputy to discuss school improvement

Open FOAC Forum– 2nd July from 8:30-9am  
Meet with the Head teacher to discuss school improvements

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

I thought it would be useful for all parents to know what the themes for our assemblies are for the summer term. Every day the assemblies are linked to the value for the half term. This half term the value was : courage. Next half term the value will be: Gratitude.

- Week 1-Bullying
- Week 2– What makes Britain Great?
- Week 3-Father's Day/Ramadan
- Week 4-RATHA Yatra-Spiritual Journeys
- Week 5-E-Safety
- Week 6– Moving on/ Saints Peter and Paul's Day
- Week 7– Eid Al-Fitr/ Birthday of Emperor Halle Selassie
- Week 8-Celebrations

## CAKE AND BAKE

A huge thank you to FOAC who transformed the hall into a spectacle of colour for our cake and bake sale on: Tuesday 19th May. In twenty years of teaching in Redbridge I have never seen such an array of cakes and snacks donated by families and the local community.



FOAC, you really are an amazing group of dedicated parents who work tirelessly to raise money for our school which we all thank you for!





## WELL DONE!

A very well done to the 20 pupils from Avanti Court who recently took part in their taekwondo gradings. I have been informed that all twenty students passed which is such an achievement and one which we should all be proud of.



## HOLIDAY DURING TERM TIME REQUESTS

A gentle reminder that as a school, holidays during term time are not permitted. As our policy clearly states I will not authorise pupil absence to go on holiday during term time.

## AWESOME ATTENDANCE!

Each week we celebrate the three classes with the highest attendance. **Purple** class seem to be leading the way, which of course makes Mr Patel very proud! Remember, we want every class to have over 95% attendance each week...you can do it!

### Week of 20.04.15

Gold – Purple Class 99.2%  
Silver- White Class 99%  
Bronze-Neela Class 97%

### Week of 24.04.15

Gold-Purple 98.7%  
Silver-Zielony 97.2%  
Bronze-Green 95.7%

### Week of 1.05.15

Gold- Harit 99.1%  
Silver-Verdi 98.2%  
Bronze-Blanco 97.1%

### Week of 8.05.15

Gold-Purple 99.3%  
Silver-Zielony 97.9%



## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

This half term as a school we have been looking at how teachers can use next step marking to move children's learning on and I am pleased to say that next step marking is more evident in books across Key Stage 1 and 2. We will continue looking at this area for the next eight weeks to ensure maximum impact. As a Senior team we have also monitored high expectations in books across the curriculum, ensuring that presentation, subject specific skills and pupil outcomes are high.

## AHOY RECEPTION!

A fantastic ship will be sailing into the Reception playground this summer, which will make a huge difference to our outdoor learning environment. The ground will be covered by a much softer surface making outdoor play safer and a canopy will shelter children from the rain so they can learn outside in all weathers!

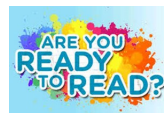


## REDBRIDGE LIBRARY SERVICE

Redbridge Library Service will be visiting Avanti Court next half term to share this summer's reading challenge! The reading challenge is an excellent way to encourage children to read over the summer break and it would be wonderful if every child attending Avanti Court took part!

Please remember our local library: Fullwell Cross has an excellent range of books which will keep your children entertained for hours. Please support your local library!

Research shows that taking part in the challenge improves children's confidence and helps to prevent a dip in their reading skills over the summer. Studies have also found that reading for pleasure and literacy skills are a key influence on children's later success and quality of life.



## TERM DATES

### Summer Term 2015

20th April-24th July  
HALF TERM  
25th-29th May

School resumes on: Monday June 1st 2015.

School closes on: Friday 24th July

# AVANTI COURT GALLERY



Images from the Cake and Bake Sale!



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## OUR SCHOOL AMBASSADORS

It has been a very busy time for the school ambassadors who have visited classrooms across the school to find out how to improve standards of teaching and learning, which I am sure you agree is a fantastic achievement!

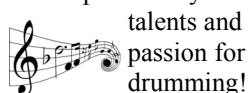
I asked Pranathi in class Zielony about what she hopes to achieve as a school ambassador and she said: "I want to make a difference to the school so that children are taught really well. I want to raise money by perhaps selling children's art work to help others. I also want to be a role model to other children across the school."

As you can see, our ambassadors have very high expectations and I look forward to discussing how we can work together to make teaching even better!

AMBASSADOR

## A DRUMMING SUCCESS!

Mr Tim, our drumming teacher hosted a wonderful drumming event on: Thursday 7th May. Children from across the school performed exciting, rhythmic solo pieces as well as part of a rhythmic ensemble. Children, parents and staff were captivated by their



talents and  
passion for  
drumming!

## AN EVENING AT AVANTI COURT

Avanti Court is launching a new series of events based around the wisdom and lessons from the Bhagavad Gita and how we can apply them in our day to day activities for a fulfilling, happy life. These sessions are open to anyone from any background and provide universal spiritual principles grounded in the philosophical masterpiece known as the Bhagavad Gita.

**When:** Friday 5th June 2015 at 7.00pm

**Where:** Avanti Court School,  
Carlton Drive, Barkingside, IG6 1LZ

**Who:** It will be a family friendly event, for anyone interested in learning some wisdom from the Bhagavad Gita.

**What:** Interactive Seminar, Mantra Meditation and an opportunity to meet new people from the community and enjoy a free vegetarian meal.



## PARKING AND SAFETY

Please refrain from parking near our main gates. We need to keep these areas clear at all times in-case of an emergency.

It has been brought to my attention that some parents are leaving their children alone in the playground before 8:30am. This is a gentle reminder that all children should be supervised by a parent/carer until 8:30am.



Let's work together to keep our children safe.

## REMINDER

If you have a concern about your child it is really important that you speak to the **class teacher first**. If you would like further advice please speak to the year group leader who will be more than happy to assist. Failing this, please speak to the Deputy Headteacher Mrs Bana and then of course if you are still not happy with the outcome please do come and see me. If we follow this course of action we can solve issues effectively and quickly.

### Year Group Leaders are:

Nursery/Reception– Ms Sahota  
Year 1–Mrs Makwana  
Year 2/3– Mrs Sivadasan

Please do not rely on **emailing staff directly** as there may be a time delay in dealing with any concerns you may have.

## VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

Could you spare even an hour or so a week supporting learning at Avanti Court?

We have some fantastic volunteers at the moment, who support all aspects of learning at the school. We appreciate their commitment and hard work.

If you would like to volunteer and commit to at least one term of regular support we would really appreciate it.

A DBS check would be made on your behalf. Please remember that it takes **time** and **money** to train every volunteer, so please ensure you can commit before undergoing training-thank you.

Please could I thank all volunteers who have supported children with their learning this half term.