AVANTI COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Families,

Thank you to all parents, pupils and staff for a fantastic Spring 1!

I am delighted to inform you that the school has recently been awarded the Health and Safety Mark for 2016-2017 and has been recognised for being one of the safest places in the country – well done to Avanti!

The school has been awarded the ECO Bronze award led by Mrs Erile and her team of dedicated Ambassadors-very well done!

Please note that school ends on: Friday 10th February 2017 and children and staff are back at school on: Monday 20th February 2017. Mrs Walters



Class Attendance	Week of 3rd January	Week of 9th January		Week of the 23rd January
Reception				
White	93.75%	95.00%	97.78%	90.56%
Blanco	89.77%	85.35%	87.37%	88.38%
Balta	84.62%	86.11%	87.22%	90.00%
Shukla	95.10%	95.20%	98.26%	95.22%
Year 1				
Azul	86.21%	90.74%	100.00%	96.93%
Neela	91.38%	90.42%	82.22%	90.37%
Niebieski	87.50%	88.89%	84.29%	94.25%
Blue	90.00%	96.37%	96.76%	97.17%
Year 2				
Harit	93.33%	95.93%	96.30%	99.26%
Zielony	94.58%	86.67%	94.44%	94.44%
Green	99.58%	99.26%	100.00%	98.52%
Verdi	89.17%	88.52%	85.56%	92.22%
Year 3				
Fioletowy	93.52%	93.42%	93.00%	97.12%
Dhumalah	88.12%	89.78%	83.64%	89.35%
Purpura	94.79%	99.07%	96.93%	93.59%
Purple	96.43%	95.24%	95.63%	93.25%
Year 4				
Kamsya	94.58%	98.52%	95.40%	86.51%
Bronce	90.52%	93.10%	94.64%	91.95%
Braz	97.41%	93.10%	82.58%	83.33%
Bronze	95.42%	90.74%	81.11%	79.63%
Year 5				
Silver	98.33%	98.89%	99.63%	95.93%
Number of classes with	3	4	5	4-We must do better!
97% or more				

YEAR 5 PUPILS SHINE AT THE SOUTHBANK

I was delighted to watch our Year 5 pupils perform at the Southbank on Saturday 21st January 2017 as part of the Creation Celebration. They performed with flair and grace, which amazed the audience!

The aim of the performance was to share our pupil's understanding of the creation story with an audience.

The Southbank event organisers were very impressed and said the children looked stunning and acted with amazing professionalism.



DRUMMERS AMAZE AVANTI!

Drummers from across Key Stage 1 and 2 performed amazingly to an enthusiastic and excited audience at Avanti on Wednesday 25th January 2017. Mr Tim, their dedicated teacher was amazed at their confident performances as soloists and in groups-well done! Mr Tim has informed me that he has had over 100 children interested in having drumming lessons since the performance - wow!









Inspirational Learning at Avanti...













PARENT POWER AT AVANTI

A huge thank you to Mrs Husain who delivered a fantastic interactive Healthy Eating workshop for the pupils in Year 2.



Well done to our parents who completed a maths workshop with the Redbridge Institute at Avanti Court. I was delighted to award them with their certificates!



Thank you to all our parent helpers who have supported teachers across the school to create wonderful displays!



ATTENDANCE-WELL DONE!

As a school we aim to achieve 97% attendance over the Spring term and I am very pleased to announce that for the Autumn term our attendance was 96%.

Unfortunately, a number of parents decided to take their children on holiday during the last two weeks of term which has impacted on our whole school attendance data.

However, 96% is a <u>huge</u> achievement for Avanti, so please do keep up the good work and thank you to all families who have helped to raise attendance.

Parents we need your help!

PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP

PARENT VIEW





The next Headteacher's Forum will be on: Thursday 2nd February at 8:45am. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to share your views and to hear the positive developments the school is making to achieve the school priorities for 2016-2017. Please do come! Parents evening is on:

17th March 3:30-7pm for <u>Kamsya only</u> 30th March 3:30-7pm for the whole school including Nursery

31st March 8:30-3:30pm for Nursery parents

WELL DONE TO AVANTI FOR ACHIEIVNG THE BRONZE AWARD 2016-2017



To achieve the award we had to show as a school that we have:

An Eco-Committee/ Ambassadors, made up of a mixed group of pupils and adults who meet to discuss environmental action for the school and form an Eco-Committee.

Children had to carry out an environmental **review** and plan some activities that would change and improve the environmental performance of the school

An Action Plan: The Eco-Team produced a basic Action Plan influenced by their informal Environmental Review. Actions were agreed by the Eco-Committee.

The Eco Team involved the whole school and wider community by encouraging pupils and staff to recycle batteries and of course paper which as you can imagine we use rather a lot of! The school now has a prominent and designated Eco-Board in the main entrance outside the office.

HOW IS AVANTI SUPPORTING OTHER SCHOOLS THIS TERM?

Mrs Makwana will be supporting Grove Primary in Redbirdge next half term to present assemblies on Holi and support teachers with their knowledge of the faith.

Mrs Makwana has shared assessments in PRE with all Avanti schools this half term.

Mrs Bana is leading on assessment across the Avanti Schools in the Trust.

Avanti Court Primary School will open its doors to primary schools in Redbridge inviting them to come into Avanti in March to be a part of our spiritual whole school assemblies, which involve children thinking and articulating deeply about the world around them and then observe a highly interactive PRE (Philosophy, Ethics and Religion) session.

Colleagues will be able to look through pupil's books to see how next step responses are helping our children become deeper thinkers.

WELL DONE!

A huge congratulations to Mrs Bana for successfully completing the Professional Qualification for Headship! This is a fantastic achievement for Mrs Bana who as I am sure you will agree is a real asset to the school. We are proud of everything you do Mrs Bana NPQH.

HEALTHY BIKE!

Urban Smoothie came to Avanti to share the importance of eating healthy fruits and vegetables. Using pedal power, pupils impressively turned a range of fruit into fruit smoothies enjoyed by all!



YOU ASKED FOR...AND AS A RESULT WE...

Extra playground equipment in the upper playground—we have purchased £600 worth of new equipment which definitely encourages pupils to be more active!

A school bus-the Trust and the school are working in partnership to support families living in neighbouring boroughs. We will update you on our progress shortly.

Later closing times for Sherpa Club— The School and Sherpa are in discussions to enable a later closing time to happen.

THE PREVENT STRATEGY – WORK-ING TOGETHER

An element of Avanti Court Primary School's Safeguarding and Child Protection is the Government's **Prevent Strategy**. Here at Avanti Court Primary we build our pupils' resilience to radicalisation by supporting integral British Values. We do this by exploring various cultures, religions and promoting diversity, challenging prejudices and racist comments and by promoting spiritual, moral and social development of our pupils'.

As parent's, you play a key role in preventing radicalisation and extremism. You know your child better than anyone else and, therefore, are more likely to notice changes in their behaviour.

There are many methods that can be adopted to keep your child safe. One way is to encourage positive channels for your child's energies. Activities such as clubs, sports and hobbies all provide children with an identity and a sense of community. Another method is to openly and honestly have discussions with your children. Encourage your child to learn about and understand alternative points of view. If you have any concerns about your child relating to extremism and radicalisation, talk to someone. We, at Avanti Court Primary, have trained Child Protection Officers who understand these issues, and are more than willing to help. You can also contact your local police on 101, in confidence, who can then provide you with support and advice.

Helpful links include: The Official Prevent Strategy Document - https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/ attachment data/file/97976/prevent-

NON UNIFORM DAY FOR CHIL-DREN ACHIEIVNG 100% ATTEND-ANCE!

Please note the non– uniform day for pupils who have achieved 100% for Spring 1 will be on: Friday 10th February 2017!









Avanti at the Southbank...

OUR SCHOOL PRIORITIES 2016-2017

Priority 1: To further embed assessment procedures to plan for children's learning needs, including the identification of pupils, or groups of pupils, falling behind in their learning or who need additional support thus enabling pupils to continue to make outstanding progress and to achieve well.

Priority 2: To further develop and improve the accountability and effectiveness of the leadership team so all leaders have a good understanding of the school's strengths and weaknesses.

Priority 3: Teachers use well-judged and often inspirational teaching strategies, including setting appropriate homework, that, together with sharply focused and timely support and intervention, match individual needs accurately and accelerate progress. The effective deployment of additional adults is effective so that teaching is of a consistently high quality, which ensures high quality progression for all learners.

Priority 4: To raise attendance to 97%

Priority 5: To raise the attainment of writing across the school particularly for the higher attainers/ vulnerable groups.

Priority 6: To develop the outdoor area in the EYFS so it is vibrant and used creatively to support different aspects of the curriculum and promotes rich talk and learning opportunities.

Priority 7: To ensure the school is ready for 2018 when the school is at full capacity.