



# THE COURT

## The Avanti Court Newsletter

24 January 2014

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Curriculum:** Year 2 pupils are gearing themselves up for a much awaited trip to Kew Gardens on the 10<sup>th</sup> February. This will consolidate their learning about comparing deserts and rainforests last term. Year 1 will be heading off to Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood as part of their curriculum topic this half on TOYS . Please note your child's trip dates.

Blue and Azul- 10<sup>th</sup> February

Niebieski and Neela- 13<sup>th</sup> February

**Uniform :** The wearing of school uniform increases a sense of belonging and school pride as well as discipline. It has been noted that a few children are wearing items of clothing which is not our school uniform. Please ensure that your child is wearing proper school uniform daily, including appropriate school shoes. No jewelry should be worn except for religious purposes. If your child is wearing earrings , please ensure that on PE days these are taken off as they are a health and safety hazard.

**Reception Morning Entry:** At Avanti Court we aim to start learning on time (8:30am). We have encouraged parents to come into the reception classroom and participate in your child's learning for at least 10 min. This has not been as successful as we had hoped this year and after discussion we have decided to instead have Family Fridays as our Year 1-2 teams have done.

This means that teachers will receive your children in class from 8:30am.

Parents will no longer be allowed into the classroom unless it is a Family Friday.

Classes will be given notice of when their Family Day is. If you wish to talk to your child's teacher about any concerns you might have, please arrange a suitable appointment time as staff **cannot** have these conversations in the mornings when learning begins.

**Governors:** The governors of Avanti Court Primary had a whole day of visiting the Court . They were able to visit classes and talk to pupils and staff about their learning and experiences at the Court. The governors also had an opportunity to sample our school lunches by joining the children for lunch. More about their visit in the next newsletter.

**Nursery:** Our newly renovated nursery is now completed and ready to be filled with amazing children! Thank you to the Nursery Team who have really worked hard to ensure this smooth transition. On Monday **( 27th January )** all nursery parents will bring their children to the main entrance of the school. A side door leading to the new nursery will be opened so that you can come in . Take the opportunity to stay a little longer so that your



child is settled in this new environment. I am sure that they will be absolutely thrilled with the space especially the outdoor area.

**Attendance :** Currently our overall attendance for this academic year stands at **93.3%**. The national target is **96%**. We have had a lot of children not attend school due to coughs, colds and flu type symptoms. Please administer medicine appropriately to your child and ensure that they attend school. Lateness- We have noticed that children are late for school quite regularly. The amount of sessions lost to date is 551. The number of sessions after the registers have closed is 30. All of this brings our attendance levels down. Please contact school if your child is going to be absent, as we have 93 unexplained periods of absence.

The class with highest attendance percentage is awarded the Attendance Cup Trophy and a gold certificate. Classes placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will receive a silver and bronze certificate.

**Best Attendance for this week :**

Gold – Niebieski Class	98.42%
Silver – Azul class	97.37%
Bronze – Blue & Blanco Class	96.47%

**Administering medicines:** As per our policy ,we do not give non-prescription medicines to children. Medicines should be given to children by the parent/carer before or after school or the parent may choose to come to the school to administer the medicine. Lately there has been many requests for the administration of medicine. Please note that if there is prescribed medicine, staff will request written permission. We do hope you understand that we do not have the capacity of staff to undertake these procedures and that you will administer these medications before and immediately after school.

**Golden Awards this week:** A hearty congratulations to the following children who received gold awards this week. Shukla Class – Karenni Bassi Balta Class – Krishiv Vadher Blanco – Purav Sodvadiya Blue Class – Amitesh Seehra Niebieski Class – Darsh Vekaria Neela Class – Zayn Khan, Azul Class – Samiya Ditta Green Class – Ranveer Rehsi

They will have their names put up on our new golden tree in the collective worship room.

I hope you all have a wonderful week-end relaxing with your families.

Yours sincerely  
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## Quote of the Week



No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite. **Nelson Mandela**