



Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

This week, some of our governors attended school to find out what life is really like at Avanti Court. They had different foci during the afternoon, some looking at the maths learning in Reception, some at phonics, tracking a child's experience of learning, looking at how we support children with different needs. They will write a report which will be evidence of how they support and challenge the school.

Lovely to see Year 1s leaving school on Thursday with such enthusiasm and confidence. They visited the Museum of Childhood in Bethnal Green which supports their learning about Toys in their history topic. We will be publishing term dates for next academic year in the coming weeks. Please check these dates now and ensure that you book holidays in the 13 week school breaks and not in term time.

Have a good weekend, James Biddulph

BOOK WORMS NEEDED!!

Our Read to Succeed Reading Strategy aims to instill a love of reading in every child.

Over the next few weeks, the teachers are developing their book and reading areas in their class rooms.

We need some help. Do you have any of the following that you could bring in to make these spaces extra special and perfect for reading?

- Cushions
- Bright fabric and sarees
- Posters of books
- Pictures of people reading at home
- Donate a new book or any good condition books.
- Or come and help make resources one coffee morning...

Free School Meals:

Did you know that if you are eligible for free school meals the school gets more funding? Please find out more to see if you are entitled. Call Dravit or meet him at the school for more information.

**FINANCE
MANAGER**
**Part time 18 hrs
per week**
Scale: PO2
44 weeks per year
Salary £13-14K
Starting ASAP
**2 Yr fixed term
contract**
See online at
avanticourt.org.uk

ATTENDANCE:

Every minute counts!
Our attendance is ONLY 93% which is below our target of 96%.

Pajama Day!

Thank you for your donations. We made £97 which will be spent on gifts for a Ghana School Mrs Bana is visiting over the half term.



Read to Succeed

To raise the profile of reading we are hosting a Breakfast Reading Challenge. Parents and their children are invited to come to school with their child at 8am with a favourite book from home to read together and share with friends. Toast, juice and cereal will be served by Friends of Avanti Court. Each child who attends will receive a special Reading Certificate. Help make reading a fun a memorable experience.

1st March: Year 1 8-8.45am

8th March: White class and Blanco class 8-8.45am

15th March: Balta class and Shukla class 8-8.45am

Filming is taking place at Avanti Court - we are making a promotional video of our school for you to show your friends and family! Watch this space!! Hollywood here we come.



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CALENDAR OF MEETINGS (SPRING TERM)

We hope to achieve our aim to be a "Listening School" and plan a variety of ways for you to engage with us and us with you. There are 3 different opportunities;

1. INFORMAL COFFEE MORNINGS - held every Friday with the Headteacher/Deputy Head. Parents can feel free to address any concerns they have as well as an opportunity to find out more information about the school and how it is run.
2. PARENT WORKSHOP MORNINGS- held every Friday in place of Coffee Mornings with Head/Deputy. Parents need to sign up for these. Sometimes these workshops are run on other days and times. Please always check the website and newsletter.
3. FOAC (Friends of Avanti Court) meet regularly as well. The committee members meet once half termly. The FOAC group meetings are held for any parent who is interested in helping to organise events, fundraising etc.

VolunteersUnite!

We have seen such a positive reaction from our children in reading with our parent volunteers. Your time and commitment is really appreciated. If you want to volunteer please contact the school office.

Date	Time & place	What is happening...?
25/01/13	2:30pm Lunchroom	Friends of Avanti Court - Find out how you can support the school with your energy and enthusiasm!
25/01/13	8:30-9:30am	PARENT WORKSHOP Maths Reception
31/01/13	8.30am	FOAC(Committee members only)
1/02/13	8:30-9:30am	Maths Reception
08/02/13	8.30am	FOAC (Friends of Avanti Court) All invited
14/02/13	8:30-9:30am	Fine Motor Skills (Happy Hands)- all parents
01/03/13	8:30-9:30am	FOAC (Friends of Avanti Court) All invited
08/03/13	8:30-9:30am	INFORMAL COFFEE MORNINGS
12/03/13	8.30am	FOAC(Committee members only)
15/03/13	8:30-9:30am	FOAC (Friends of Avanti Court) All invited
22/03/13	2.30pm	FOAC (Friends of Avanti Court) All invited

Child Protection

If you have any concerns about any child please contact Mrs Bana our CP officer

Quote of the week: "It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are" e.e.cummings