



## Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Courage, dear friends!

A warm welcome back to you all. We hope you had a good break. I had a lovely time in India – thank you to all those parents who were my personal tour operators giving good advice where to go and what to see.

This term's value is Courage. When Mahatma Ghandi wrote, "*Courage has never been known to be a matter of muscle; it is a matter of the heart*" he was talking about the internal courage needed to overcome obstacles in life, to move beyond fear of failure, of trying new things, of accepting and embracing difference in others and to find the courage to be strong in your heart.

This term we will engage children to try their very best, to know that learning is meant to be difficult and that overcoming fear is part of the journey to understanding the Divine, to know that there is a stronger and ultimate energy and to trust and believe in this, whatever name we choose to call it; Krishna, Christ, Allah or Yahweh.

Please model risk taking with your children - show them how to fail without losing confidence - challenge them to do something different and new, talk about when you found something difficult. Show them how you behave when something goes wrong...like when the cake you were making didn't rise...

Have a good weekend, James Biddulph



**Arun Patel, business man and founder of Polio Child charity visited our school with the original Torch! He was a torch bearer at the London Paralympics – What a great role model of courage for our children**



Four boys took over Mr Biddulph's office with their great green shark which they worked on together. It is wonderful to see children collaborating together, sharing and learning with each other. So much better than creating a competitive culture in learning!

### FOAC Facebook group is now live!

#### FOAC Objectives for Facebook Groups:

- To promote positive, 2-way communications.
- To act as a notice board.
- The FOAC group on Facebook is where information is shared about school activities, upcoming FOAC events, reminders & announcements. It's a forum for connecting with other current Avanti Court families in order to share information, ideas, friendship and fun!
- Requests for volunteers, charity fund raising ideas, carry-out surveys, to promote parent and school partnerships, to encourage parental involvement in school life & establishing strong links between Home and School.

To be added to the group, please visit and request to join on:

[www.facebook.com/groups/avantifriends](http://www.facebook.com/groups/avantifriends)

Welcome to Mr Rohit who is our new Finance Manager. He will be working 2.5 days each week with a focus on finances of the school.



So if you want to donate...he's the man to approach!!

**'Not long now til the Ladies Pamper Event@Avanti Court on Sat 27th April from 12-4pm! Tell your mums, sisters, aunts etc!!**

Tickets on sale for £2 and will be available in the playground next week. If you'd like to help please contact Dimple on 07739 743559!!  
**IT WILL BE A GREAT DAY!!**

Rohit reveals all...

What's your favourite book? **'Harry Potter'**  
 What's your favourite food? **Chow Mein**  
 Who would play you in a movie of your life? **Tom Cruise**  
 Where's your favourite holiday destination? **Egypt, good weather, good food and nice people!!!!**  
 What's your most embarrassing moment? **When I moved into my new house and introduced myself to two people who that I thought lived next door but turned out to be tourists!**

**Key Dates:**

24<sup>th</sup> April – Communication Workshop for parents from 5.30pm to 7.00pm

22<sup>nd</sup> April – 'Pirate Day' for Year 1 Children

27<sup>th</sup> April – Ladies Pamper Event run by FOAC 12.00pm – 4.00pm @ Avanti Court

1<sup>st</sup> May – Year 1 School trip to Cutty's Ark

Bank Holiday – 6<sup>th</sup> May

**Golden Book Achievers**

White: Magdelana  
 Blanco: Devanshi  
 Balta: Cezary  
 Shukla: Suchir  
 Blue: Dhanvin

**Attendance**

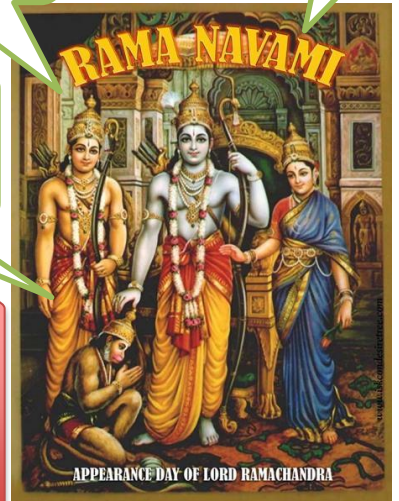
**Full School: 95.79%**

White: 100%      Blanco: 98.75%  
 Balta: 81.82%      Shukla: 98.80%  
 Blue: 99.17%

Lord Rama represents 'Goodness prevailing over Evil'

Lord Rama taught about being 'truthful'

**Happy Birthday to Lord Rama 19<sup>th</sup> April 2013**



**Next Week's Menu**

WEEK 2	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
<b>MAIN DISH</b>	Rice & Daal (Green Moong)	Cheese & Salad Baguette	Spinach with Curd Cheese & Naan Bread	Margharita Pizza	Spaghetti (Soya Mince in Tomato Sauce)
<b>VEGETABLES</b>	Green Beans	Sweetcorn	Cabbage or Peas	Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad
<b>DESSERT</b>	Halva	Jelly & Ice Cream	Peach Crumble & Custard	Fruit Salad or Honey Yoghurt	Fruit Shortbread

**Help us develop our communication strategy** by coming to a workshop on 24 April between 530 and 630. We want to ensure that your voice and opinions are included in our strategy.

How can you communicate with the school?

How does the school communicate to home?

What are the protocols?

**Quote of the week:**

*"It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are"*  
 EE Cummings