



THE COURT

The Avanti Court Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

How lovely to see so many children out and about in London this week. Our Year 1s went to visit the National Portrait Gallery as part of their work on their families and expressing 'All about me!' These trips can not take place unless parents volunteer to attend and I ask that you offer your time – it's a great (and tiring) experience but the children gain so much.

We had a good Eid event last week. Thanks to the Al Noor Pupils who taught us about the story. I would like to send my best wishes to all our Muslim families who celebrated Eid this week.

As a Hindu-based school, we are thinking now towards our big festival of Diwali. As all our children were involved in learning about Eid, I hope that every child will be part of our Diwali Event, which will take place on 25th October. This will include art activities, singing, story telling, a special lunch and dressing in traditional clothes.

With kind wishes James Biddulph, Head Teacher

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Children In Need EVERY LITTLE HELPS!

On Friday 15th November 2013 it will be a very spotty day around the UK- its **Children In Need** Day! The time has come to show your spots and raise lots! We want to see and make sure every child in the UK are:

- Safe
- Happy and secure
- able to reach their full potential

At Avanti Court this is how we can contribute to help achieve the best for the children of tomorrow!

Everyone to bring a teddy in and to donate £1 each (includes **ALL** staff!)

School Photographs will be on 21st October. Children will have individual and sibling portrait photos and a leaflet will be sent home so you can purchase the magic moment of their first steps in school. A great present for grandparents and distant aunties!

"Mr Hinds and Mr Sattani play with us at lunchtime. We play football and cricket"

"I love my school because you get to do playing and I play with my cousin at lunch time"

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Donations to the School

We will be collecting dry and tinned food as part of our Autumn Harvest collection. Food will be given to Redbridge Food Bank who will distribute it to local people in need. Only tins, dry food, cereal, pasta, rice, tinned beans etc and not fresh fruit or veg and milk. Anything that can last sometime

This models to children how we can act with empathy. Please give donations to your child's class teacher by Thursday.

Key Dates:

25th Oct: Diwali Celebration
(for children in school only)

28th Oct – 1st November: Half Term

4th Nov: Book Week (8th Nov: Dressing up as book character day!)

4th Nov: Fun clubs start

22nd Nov: Guru Nanak Festival Day

5th Dec: Hannukkah

17th Dec: Winter Festival of Light - Nativity

Dress up on 25th October in traditional clothes (cheap clothes can be bought at <http://www.suitsmeonline.com>)

Safeguarding

All Parents...

Being on time is very important. Children miss out on so much in the first 10 mins of the day. We record all children who are late and are required to report parents who bring their children late to school.

Please be on time. It sends the right message to children. And doesn't waste staff's time – we want all staff impacting on children's learning not waiting for children who are late.

Pupil Leadership:

We have sent applications to children inviting them to become a school Ambassador. This job is democratically appointed with a vote in each class. There are two ambassadors per KS1 class (not in Reception).

There will also be playground buddy positions – children will need to apply to explain how they could help make the school a safe and happy place to play.

DIWALI DISCO

FOAC's first event is taking place on Friday 25 October! It's a Diwali Disco for all pupils of Avanti Court from 3.15pm till 4.30pm. Tickets are £2 per child (includes snacks and a drink) and can be purchased from all members of the FOAC Committee. Please note that if your child will be attending this event, you should only come to pick up your child at 4.30pm when the disco ends (not 3.10pm). Children going to the disco will be escorted to the Gym Hall by teachers straight after school. The children will have fun and funds raised will go to FOAC to use for the benefit of our children and school!

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD!!

Please check our facebook and Avanti Court website for step by step instructions about how to pay for lunch online. This is such a good system and will help you understand what your child eats, how much you have paid. Forget the stress of collecting an envelope on a Monday morning. This is the future!!

