



# Welcome to Reception Children

## Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome to our Reception children and their families! It was lovely to see our building filled with so many smiling faces and once again I am impressed how quickly the children have settled into life at Avanti Court Primary School.

On Wednesday it was the festival of Ganesha Chaturthi, to celebrate Lord Ganesh's birthday. As we start our journey as a new school, we look for wisdom and good fortune, symbolized by Ganesha, so that what we do as teachers and parents helps our young people grow to become confident, happy learners and contributors to society. I want to publically thank all the staff for their exceptional efforts, under difficult situations, in preparing the school.

Please join us for an informal coffee morning on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September** – there was an error in last week's newsletter – not 29<sup>th</sup> but 28<sup>th</sup>! Apologies.

With warm regards,  
Mr. James Biddulph  
Head Teacher



Mmm...eating prasadam – see our website for menus

The Theme for Year 1 is 'Knowing me, Knowing you' where they are exploring their families and their world around them. In Philosophy and Ethics, we are learning about feelings and empathy (one of our key values).

The Theme for Reception is Me, Myself and I! If you have any old saree material or cereal boxes (for junk modeling) please can you speak to your child's teacher.

Everyone welcome...Everyone included

## Key Dates:

Monday 24th September: Full days for reception children

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September: Year 1 'Meet the Teacher' Meeting (to explain Home Learning, Reading Records, the curriculum). 8.30-9.30am

**Friday 12th October:**  
**INSET school closed to children**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October: Year 1 trip to the National Portrait Gallery

Monday 12th November: Diwali Celebration (5-7.00pm)

Tuesday 13th November:  
Closed for Diwali

Week beginning 17th December: The Nativity Play (more information to follow after September)

## Golden Awards:

This week the Year 1 Golden Awards goes to Aryan and Saachi. Aryan did some lovely writing and Saachi just keeps on answering questions!



Diwali & Govardhan Puja  
Celebrations 12<sup>th</sup> November 2012.  
Keep this date for your diary!

## NOTICE FOR YEAR 1

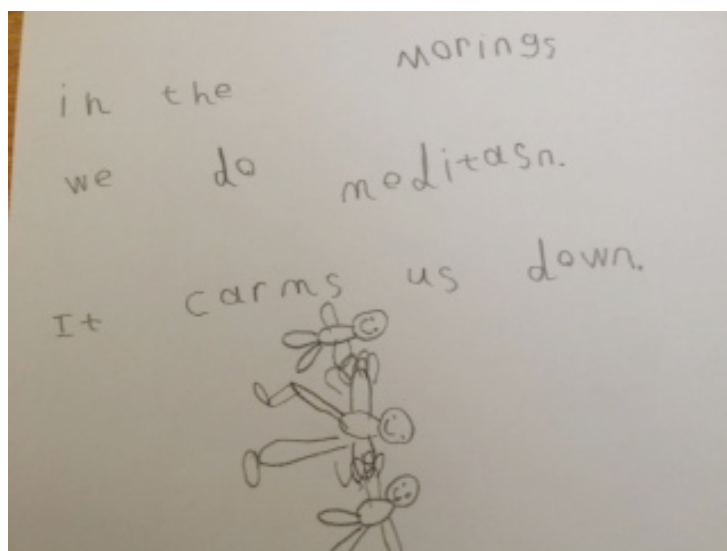
Year 1 Meet the Teacher Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2012 between 8.30 and 9.30.

She will explain what children will be learning over the coming term, talk about reading records and home learning expectations.

## Parking:

We know that it is difficult to park in our locality. Letters have been given to parents for alternative places to park. Please do not park in the Craven Gardens residential car parking. We have had several complaints from our local community about this – and we want to develop a positive relationship with them.

Children learn to meditate each day. Ranveer says...



I am the Avanti Court lion to help us find the courage to read and be brilliant learners. But I need a name. Think of a name and the reason for choosing this name and give it to your teacher next week.

## Quote of the week:

*"He alone sees truly who sees the Lord equal in every creature...seeing the same Lord everywhere, he does not harm himself or others."* Krishna in Bhagavad Gita