



# THE COURT

## The Avanti Court Newsletter

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### Year 1 Visit the Jewish School

#### Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Last week, Year 1 visited the Jewish school to take part in their Sukkot celebrations; they learnt about the history of Sukkot and sat with Jewish friends in the outdoor eating area. As an inclusive school we are interested in understanding everyone's faith tradition and enjoy taking part – the aspect of our ethos, 'Spiritual Insight' invites everyone in our community to explore their spiritual identity.

Tomorrow, the staff are attending conferences to inspire and engage teachers to find even more creative and exciting ways to teach. The teachers are visiting an ecological farm in Kent, where they farm Ahimsa milk, to about the philosophy of Avanti schools and meet colleagues from other Avanti schools. The teaching assistants will visit The Wroxham School in Potters Bar which is an outstanding school. They also will meet other colleagues from Avanti schools and explore the idea of learning without limits!

We really are a learning school! I hope you have a wonderful extended weekend.

With warm regards,  
Mr. James Biddulph  
Head Teacher

**As part of BOOK WEEK, Reception will be going on a special trip to Stratford to watch a film. How exciting!! A letter will follow on Monday. This trip helps children develop independence.**

**Have you forgotten?**

**Book Week is coming soon: 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

**Have you started making your Alien or Space explorer costume? We expect EVERYONE to come dressed up as an Alien or Space explorer on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Prizes for the most ingenious costume design!!**



## Key Dates:

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

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

Half Term: 29<sup>th</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> November

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)



# OPEN DAYS AT Avanti Court PRIMARY SCHOOL

Avanti Court Primary School opened its doors in September 2012 with four Reception classes and one Year 1 class. The school is part of the network of Redbridge state schools but also benefits from a relationship with Avanti Schools Trust. For 2012–13, the school is situated within the Ilford Jewish Primary School site although is a separate school with its own entrance and playground. Avanti Court will refurbish the whole site during 2013.

With a distinctive ethos, based on 7 values of humility, courage, respect, integrity, empathy, self discipline and gratitude, the school enriches the National Curriculum with a unique Philosophy & Ethics programme including meditation, yoga, Sanskrit; all with the intention to engage young people in intellectual and critical thought so that they become confident, articulate and happy learners who contribute positively to their communities.

Open Events are on:

<b>Tues 16th October</b> .....	<b>9.00am–9.30am</b>	(Morning)
<b>Fri 19th October</b> .....	<b>9.00am–9.30am</b>	(Morning)
<b>Weds 24th October</b> .....	<b>2.00pm–2.30pm</b>	(Afternoon)
<b>Weds 24th October</b> .....	<b>5.30pm–6.30pm</b>	(Evening)
<b>Thurs 25th October</b> .....	<b>2.00pm–2.30pm</b>	(Afternoon)

Please call 07845 786 319 to book an appointment. For news of our open days in November and January, please visit our website. We look forward to meeting you and hope that you and your child join us on our journey of self-discovery.



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Thank you for collecting so much food as part of our Harvest week. Jocelyn from Redbridge Foodbank came to receive the food - Arjan, Ema and Viraj gave it to her on behalf of the school.

In case of accidents, please make sure your child has their PE kit in school so they can change

### Attendance Matters:

Prolonged absence from school can lead to loneliness. It can make it harder for your child to get along with other children and make friends.

**WE DO NOT GRANT EXTENDED HOLIDAY. ALL CHILDREN ARE ENTITLED TO 190 DAYS OF SCHOOL LEARNING**

*“How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.”*

— Anne Frank

