# The Avanti Court Newsletter

### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Year 1 had a lovely time at the Aquarium this week. Its great that we have all these opportunities on our doorsteps in London! As you may know, we are, as with every other school in the country, reviewing our curriculum in light of new changes which become

statutory with the new National Curriculum 2014. We will of course let you know how we will be developing this and send information to you when it is ready. Many thanks for the people who are donating to the Temple Room. If you know anyone who would like to, remembering that this will be our main community space and can be used by many people for different purposes,

please pass on the information. Mrs Dodia is assessing children in her class to see how well they have done. These are not formal tests but give us a baseline for developing them in Keystage 2. All best for a happy weekend, Mr Biddulph

### **Ethos Corner**



After the bloody killing Of the demon Hiranyakasipu, Lord

Nrsinghadeva was still ferociously angry. The demigods had come to witness the fight, but now they wanted to pay their respects to the Lord and they were afraid to approach Him. Only Prahlad was pure in heart enough to go near Him and calm Him. Lord Nrsinghadeva was won by Prahlad's love, and He placed Prahlad on His lap. He offered Prahlad any benediction, but Prahlad wanted none for himself. He was satisfied to engage in devotional service, but he did request that his evil father be forgiven and delivered from his sinful reactions. Lord Nrsinghadeva said that was unnecessary, since anyone directly killed by the Supreme Lord is always already delivered from sinful reactions, just by His touch.

The festival of Lord Nrisnghadeva illustrates the humility of one person, Prahlad and his utter faith in Krishna's protection.

Find out more about the meaning of the festival by going on line: <u>http://www.glimpseofkrishna.com/individual/prahlad.htm</u>



#### **Update on Recruitment**

You will be pleased to know that our recruitment strategy is working. We have been able to recruit energetic and good educators ready to start with us in September.

They will be with us on 30<sup>th</sup> June (during the INSET day). This INSET day is focused on handover meetings, so the new teachers know all they need to know about their new cohort of children.

We have recruited a highly experienced Keystage 2 teacher who was observed teaching the most challenging maths session! And also a fantastic new Year group leader to join our own leaders.

We will be recruiting for Teaching Assistants and Lunch supervisors in the next few weeks...check the website and facebook!

### Safeguarding



You would have seen in the recent press that Michael Gove MP, the Secretary of State for Education has issued information about different forms of child abuse. The most concerning news is the rise of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM). We cannot reiterate enough the responsibility that we all share to safeguard EVERY child. As Mr Gove states, these things could happen anywhere

### **Notice Board**



Avanti Summer Farye!

Dear Parents/Carers

Our Summer Farye will be taking place this year on sat 19th July from 11am to 4pm... so save this date in your diary.

Last year was a roaring success and children, their families & friends all came together to enjoy not only the sunshine but also fabulous dancing and performances from our children and great food and games. Lots of stalls selling fabulous goodies, (there was a chance to throw the wet sponge at the

headteacher!!!) more details regarding what's planned are to follow but for now, we are looking to sell stalls for the event. They cost just £20 each so if you or someone you know may be interested, please get in touch with myself or another FOAC committee member asap to secure your stall before its too late!

'Dont forget Reception is going to be transformed into a Magical Fairy Tale land next week on Friday 23rd May 2014! All children to come dressed up as their favourite

characters! The teachers are dressing up too!!'

## Golden Awards

| Blue Class-Whole Class for the TripNiebieski Class-Whole Class for the tripNeela Class-Whole class for the tripAzul Class-Whole Class for the trip |
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| Blanco Class – Manbir Tania  |
| Balta Class – NItin Aravind Kumar & Hansik<br>Vinoth Kumar<br>Shukla Class – Nithilan Karthikeyan & Aarya<br>Patel                                 |

## Attendance

Green Class – 99.43%

Blue Class – 90.12% Niebieski Class – 95.51% Neela Class – 93.18% Azul Class – 98.46%

Blanco Class – 94.10% Balta Class – 88.76% Shukla Class – 96.91%

## Year 1 Aquarium Trip Excitement



### **Key Dates**

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21<sup>st</sup> May – Rec Fire Station Trip 10<sup>th</sup> June – Open evening for new parents 6-7pm

30<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day (no children in school)

9<sup>th</sup> July – Ratha Yatra Festival (see the chariot & Lord Jagannath Deities)

10<sup>th</sup> July – Parent's Evening – meetings with teachers11<sup>th</sup> July – Sport's Day

14<sup>th</sup> July – All you need is Love Music Event for Year 2 children performing at the Queen Elizabeth Hall – All 4 Avanti Schools coming together!

23<sup>rd</sup> July – End of term School closes at 1.30pm

24<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Break begins

3<sup>rd</sup> September - School starts for children

## Quote of the Week

That which we call the Hindu religion is really the Eternal religion because it embraces all others Aurobindo