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Dear Parents and Carers,

RATH YATRA - WEDNESDAY 21st JUNE

This was a beautiful festival full of joyful devotion. It was wonderful to see parents, carers join in the parade of Lord Jagannath, Lord Baladev and Lady Subhadra on their wonderfully decorated chariot as we paraded them around the school grounds.



A collection of photographs has been created that will be put onto the school website shortly.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

**VALUES of the Paralympic -
determination, inspiration, courage
and equality**

Celebrating the achievements of people
with disabilities

Many professional athletes entertain us with their strength and competitive spirit. Then, there are those who inspire us with their ability to overcome adversity. We are especially touched by those who are physically struggling, yet use everything else they have to become the best at what they do.



Today, our Year 1 to Year 6 children completed their FOKAS Sponsored Walk. They had an exciting time, as they walked along Camrose Avenue.

Well done children for your efforts and thank you so much to our parent volunteers.

Can you please ensure that all funds raised for the sponsored walk are returned to the school office by **Wednesday 28th June 2017** in a sealed envelope marked for the attention of 'FOKAS sponsored walk' with your child's name and class.



EYFS fundraiser for Great Ormond Street Hospital Baked Cake Sale: Last week, Nursery and Reception children worked hard to create stalls of tempting cakes and cookies to eat. By advertising, baking and making enterprising stalls, the **children raised just over £400.00 for GOSH!**

Thank you to our fantastic parents, staff and children for doing an amazing job!

Again, a collection of photographs of the event can be found on the school website.



SPORTS DAY 2017: It is Summer Time and that can only mean one thing - Sports Day is here again! We thought it would be useful to remind you of some key information about this. When does it take place? This year's Sports Day will take place on **Wednesday 12th July or Wednesday 19th July commencing at 8.30am.**

What should children bring? Children are allowed to wear their P.E kit all day. They will need a bottle of water in school to take out with them and should also have a hat and sunscreen, which they can apply if the weather is particularly hot.

What if it rains or is too hot? Should Sports Day be cancelled due to rain or extremely hot weather, we will send a message to you. We hope that there will be lots of support for this event and that it is an enjoyable morning for the children.

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING (Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!

Not being punctual to school reduces your child's chance of success. Your child's progress could drop across ALL subjects!

Your child will be missing learning opportunities if they are not in school or are late to school. We work closely with our Education Welfare Officer and unauthorised absences could result in fixed penalty fine. Please work with us to provide your child with the best chances of learning, by ensuring they are in school every day and on time.

Attendance week ending 23rd June 2017 was 98.1% for the school. The current school attendance for the academic year to date is 96.8%. Your support would be appreciated for us to reach our academic target of 97%

49 children were late from the w/c 19th June 2017



Sherpa Kids - After careful consideration, John Geers (club leader) has decided to no longer host Sherpa Kids at KAPS. Therefore, come the Autumn Term (September 2017) this club will no longer be available and parents will have to look for an alternative arrangement. We are looking at options of hosting a new club and will inform parents if this does take effect.

Parents may wish to note that the government has introduced an additional 30 hours per week of free childcare over 38 weeks. Although this is aimed at children between the ages of 2-4 years, there are other childcare options that parents may be eligible to apply for and parents can check whether they are eligible for a range of government childcare offers, including 30 hours, via Childcare Choices at: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk> or the Childcare Calculator at: <https://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator>

If parents are eligible for 30 hours per week of free childcare (over 38 weeks) or other childcare options you may wish to visit Harrow Council website that has a list of registered child-minders. For ease of reference I've attached the necessary link below. This will allow working parents to make the necessary arrangements for the collection of their children. http://www.harrow.gov.uk/info/200214/childcare_options/265/registered_childminders_in_harrow

PMX - Parentmail - <https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk> - We have moved across to the parent-mail PMX system and parents have been sent a number of emails for registration. If you are experiencing problems in registering, please do email Mrs Natha bhakti.natha@avanti.org.uk or come in to see her in the school office between 8.15am-10.30am – Mrs Natha would be happy to assist.

2017/18 Academic Year School Calendar/Term Dates - Please see link below for the school term dates 2017-2018 academic year. Can parents please note that any holidays or travel arrangements should only be booked during the school holiday period. There are sufficient holidays within academic year for you to make travel arrangements.

We would also like to highlight that the Christmas period is only two weeks. The school monitors attendance closely to ensure that all our children can achieve their full potential and would be grateful for your support.

[Please click here to download the 2017/18 academic year school calendar for Krishna Avanti Primary school.](#)

Pupil Premium: The Pupil Premium is funding from the Department for Education which is additional to the main school funding. It is allocated according to the number of pupils on-roll who are eligible for free school meals (FSM), a smaller amount is allocated according to the number of children of service families, and an allocation for each pupil who has been, Looked After" (in care) for 6 months or more or a pupil who was adopted in the UK. In our school funds are allocated, for example, to support parents in purchasing school uniform, to support children's achievement and their participation in extra- curricular activities including school trips.


To find out if you qualify for the Pupil Premium Grant, please use the Free School Meals eligibility checker by visiting <http://fsm.lgfl.net> . Once you have accessed the website, you will be able to quickly and easily check if you are entitled. It gives you an immediate "yes" or "no" response and may notify the school. IF YOUR CHILD WAS ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS LAST YEAR, YOU MUST STILL RE –APPLY USING THE ABOVE WEBSITE. It's quick and easy to find out if you are eligible and it only takes a moment! If you are eligible for FSM please inform the school office by email. Please visit the school's website www.avanti.org.uk/kapsharrow to find out further inform

Yours sincerely,
Bindu Rai, Principal



DIARY DATES

Please kindly note the additions made

26/06/17	Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 FOKAS SPONSORED WALK - for registered children only at 9.30am.
27/06/17	Reception Classes Singing Performance to Parents at 8.30am
27/06/17	Nursery Picnic – now cancelled due to the forecast of rain. A new date will be rescheduled.
28/06/17	Tabla classes commence for children who have signed up and paid – separate letter to follow
30/06/17	Science Museum Year 4 trip
Sunday 02/07/17	Gita Classes 10am – 1.00pm – You are warmly invited to attend a lively session of a presentation and discussion at the school- further details to follow
06/07/17	Reception Teddy Bear Picnic at Chandos Park
07/07/17	School Council Class Book Bay Competition winners to a BOOK MAKING TRIP
09/07/17	SUNDAY FOKAS SUMMER FAIR – save the date, support and help out.
11/07/17	Year 3 Trip to Verulamium Museum
12/07/17	Bikeability Lessons commence for Year 6
12/07/17	Sports Day choice 1 weather permitting TBC
14/07/17	Annual Pupil Reports go home
17/07/17	Year 5 to visit Wembley Stadium and to meet friends of Sinai Primary School
17/07/17	Parent Open Evening 2.30pm – 5.00pm – a chance to wander around the classrooms to view the learning that has been showcased. A chance to talk to your child's current class teacher and to meet your child's new teachers
19/07/17	Sports Day choice 2 weather permitting TBC
20/07/17	Year 1 trip to Willows Farm (payment to be made via parent by 3 rd July)
20/07/17	Year 6 Leavers Graduation and Performance followed by Leavers party
24/07/17	Children spend time with their new teacher
25/07/17	 Celebration and Goodbye assembly. Break up for the summer holiday