

SPECIAL NEEDS ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

The Avenue School

School Year 2016-2017

Term 5

Nurture Garden

A Team of staff have been working on a project within one of the outdoor spaces at the Avenue school. We have been developing a Nurture Garden which will be a place for all our young people to explore, learn and relax. We have painted the inside of the summer house and added a chalk board wall. We have used tree stumps to make seating and decorated them with different insects. The young people have enjoyed playing with the mud tray creating a habitat for dinosaurs, mud kitchen and a miniature village.

We would like to thank the team as well as all the people who have helped grow this project by donating your time, plants, toys as well as making things for the garden. Thank you Mathew and his Grandad for making and donating bird and bug boxes our young people have been keeping a close eye on them and are very excited to see our first visitors.









Nature Garden Team

Ros, Cathrine, Eleanor and Sophie

7B get a visit from the Fire Service

7B had a special visit from the Berkshire Fire Service today. Keith and Nikki came into class and taught us all about Road Safety. We found out the differences between a Zebra, Pelican and Toucan crossing and









practised crossing each of them.

We also learnt why it is so important to wear a seat belt in the car or bus. We all participated in the sessions and joined in with "Yes we can!", when Keith asked us if we could cross. We also got to sing a song about Road Safety- with Keith on the guitar and 7B doing the vocals it was a great performance! Keith and Nikki have created many songs to help keep people on the roads and in the event of the fire. While they were visiting they showed us their popular You tube hit 'Stop, drop and Roll'. This song has been written and recorded by the Berkshire Fire Service and is all about what to do if you are in a fire.





This term 3A have been making lots of things with chocolate!!! We have had great fun mixing, baking and more importantly tasting! We have made everything from chocolate cake to brownies. We have also made chocolate play doh and chocolate gloop for a more sensory purpose. Needless to say, if you're a fan of chocolate, you need to come and visit 3A









School Uniform

From September uniform must be ordered on line with Free delivery into school

FREE DELIVERY INTO SCHOOL

ORDERS ARE PLACED IN A QUEUE UNTIL THE 15th & 30th OF EACH MONTH AND DELIVERED INTO SCHOOL UP TO 14 DAYS AFTER. PLEASE SUBMIT SCHOOL ADDRESS ONLY IN THE DELIVERY FIELDS & INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S NAME INTO SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

To order please got to-

http://www.brigade.uk.com/content.php?page=select_school&for=parents



Charity Stall

As you are probably aware the school has a charity stall situated in its Reception area. We are always pleased to receive donations of items for the stall. We need items in excellent condition please. If you know a company or retail outlet that have any end on line items that they no longer want and are prepared to donate please speak to them on our behalf. We really have had some amazing items Every penny goes into our school fund to help to pay for those extra items to enhance the school lives of our wonderful pupils.

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School Terms & Holidays 2016 - 2017

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Term 1 2016 Monday 5 September 2016 - Friday 21 October 2016

* Teachers' In Service Training day: Monday 5 September (school closed for pupils)

Total days: 35

Term 2 2016 Monday 31 October 2016 - Wednesday 21 December 2016

* Teachers' In Service Training day: Monday 31 October and Tuesday 1 November (school closed for pupi

Total days 38

Term 3 2017 Wednesday 4 January 2017 - Friday 10 February 2017

* Teachers' In Service Training day: Wednesday 4 January (school closed for pupils)

Total days: 28

Term 4 2017 Monday 20 February 2017 - Friday 7 April 2017

Total days: 35

Term 5 2017 Monday 24 April 2017 - Friday 26 May 2017

Total days: 24

Term 6 2017 Monday 5 June 2017 - Friday 21 July 2017

* Teachers' In Service Training day: Friday 21 July (school closed for pupils)

Total days 35

Total days in school year: 195 (Including 6 in-service training days)

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Term 4 2018 Monday 19 February 2018 - Thursday 29 March 2018

Total days: 29

Term 5 2018 Monday 16 April 2018 - Friday 25 May 2018

Total days: 29

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Please make a note of these dates

EVENT	DATE
Last day of Term 5	Friday 26 th May 2017
First Day of Term 6	Monday 5 th June 2017
Cbeebies Visit	Friday 16 th June
Presentation of new minibus	Tuesday 27 th June 2017
Sports Day	Wednesday 28 th June 2017
Early years award Assembly	Friday 30 th June 2017
Selected classes to visit Child Beale	Monday 3 rd July 2017
Leavers Assembly & Prom	Friday 7 th July
Sue's Leaving celebration	Friday 14 th July
Secondary awards Assembly	Wednesday 19 th July 2017
Last day of Term	Thursday 20 th July 2017

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