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# The Avonmore newsletter



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# SPRING 2017

## **Message from Mrs Standing**

Dear Parents/Carers

We have reached the end of a very exciting Spring Term at Avonmore, the children have enjoyed a number of trips and special visitors and events at school as you will have read about in our weekly bulletins - please see the photos contributed by each class as evidence of the wonderful time we have had!

It has also been a special time for everyone as our governors shared the news of our forthcoming partnership with the Fox/Ashburnham Federation which will be starting in September 2017. We were pleased to welcome a large number of you to our meetings when we were able to meet with Paul Cotter (Executive Headteacher) and to discuss this in more detail. Everyone is looking forward to this new phase in Avonmore's development and the wonderful opportunities which the partnership will bring. Please remember the question box in the school foyer where you are welcome to ask any questions you may have. So far, we have been asked if there will be a school bus when the partnership is in place; please put in any other questions or speak to me when you see me in the playground before or after school.

Finally, we hope you all have a relaxing, well-deserved break over the half-term holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

Yours Sincerely

Marion Standing

Headteacher

## **Staff News**

This term we are sadly saying goodbye to Janet McMullen who has been part of Avonmore for many years and a valuable member of our team. I am sure you will all join me in wishing her all the best for the future.

We are also welcoming back Touria Chaouki from maternity leave. She will be teaching Year 4 for the Summer Term. However, this means that we are also sadly saying goodbye to Manuela Florescu who has been teaching Year 4 since Christmas. We wish to thank her for all her hard work while she has been teaching at Avonmore and wish her all the best as she moves on to pastures new.



## **STARS OF THE WEEK**



Reception : **Said Mammadov**

Year 1 : **Viktor Fapom**

Year 2 : **Lara Al-Azzawi**

Year 3 : **Elizabete Kuduma**

Year 4 : **Ben Hurtig-Isaac**

Year 5 : **Anwar Harrak**

Year 6 : **Masar Sarour**

## ATTENDANCE

<b>CLASS</b>	<b>Attendance this week</b>	<b>Lates this week</b>	<b>Attendance since Sept</b>	<b>Lates since Sept</b>
Nursery	<b>83.6</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>92.9</b>	<b>147</b>
Reception	<b>83.2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>92.9</b>	<b>161</b>
Year 1	<b>88.3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>93.4</b>	<b>200</b>
Year 2	<b>92.3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>151</b>
Year 3	<b>90.7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>95.3</b>	<b>149</b>
Year 4	<b>90.4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>95.6</b>	<b>100</b>
Year 5	<b>93.3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>95.3</b>	<b>161</b>
Year 6	<b>95.7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>95.8</b>	<b>79</b>
Whole school	<b>90.1</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>94.8</b>	<b>1148</b>

We have had another action-packed term. Here is a taste of some of the activities the children have been enjoying.

### **Nursery**



Nursery has been learning about new life and new growth.



### **Reception**





We have our first chick in Reception! The children have named it Chicky. He's a very chatty chick and is not shy of a camera!

## Year 1



Year 1 enjoying reading in the early spring sunshine.

## Year 2



Year 2 learning all about forces in a Silly Science workshop. How far can we shoot the rocket?

### Year 3



Year 3 made pinch pots

### Year 4





On Friday, March 10th Year 4 went to Bute House for a fun filled Samba lesson! Please look at our pictures to see how much we enjoyed ourselves.



## Year 5



Year 5 had a 'splashing' time creating, making and testing their own boat designs!

## Year 6



Year 6 practising for their charity performance of 'Express Yourself' at the Polish Theatre on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.  
Tickets available soon!

## Report from School Council

Hollywood comes to Avonmore!



Year 2 in front of the cameras



Year 1 enjoyed being filmed

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March, the whole school starred in a film for our website. The film crew filmed first in the KS1 playground and then they went in the classrooms. Some pupils had to speak about inspirational people or read books aloud and they also filmed some children doing their learning as well. The film will be on the website soon so everyone can see what we are trying to know about and how wonderful our school is. It was really fun and a big thank you to Dana Trometer who organised it.

By Mia (Year 3) and Rozafa (Year 4) School Council



## **NEXT TERM'S SHARING ASSEMBLIES**

**ALL AT 9.10AM IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 2
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 5
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4

### **Nursery's Sharing Assembly – date to be confirmed**

#### **OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	First day of Summer Term
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April, 3.30pm	Meeting for Year 6 parents - SATs
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April, 3.30pm	Meeting for Year 2 parents – SATs
8 <sup>th</sup> May – 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs
29 <sup>th</sup> May to 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2017	Half Term
24 <sup>th</sup> June – 28 <sup>th</sup> June	School Journey for Years 5 and 6
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Sports Day
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Show
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Last day of Summer Term
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	First day of Autumn Term