

The House Points earned this week were...

Ridgeway 345pts
Kennet 342pts
Silbury 335pts
Avebury 332pts



Well done everyone!

Big Walk and Wheel 2022

Thank you to all who have wheeled or walked to school this week.



Our numbers are much lower than we would like. Please consider making a special effort next week to wheel or walk to school.

Even if you leave the car away from school and walk the last 10 minutes it can count.

Teachers ask the children every morning how they came to school and record it on our class sheets. This data is then added to the Wheel and Walk website for our school.

Please help us improve our Wheel and Walk data as well as helping the environment (and at present, with fuel prices as they are, your wallet).

Nursery News

We had a Giant visit us this week who, luckily, was very friendly.



We were brave and stood next to him to compare heights/size. We thought of lots of different words to describe him.

Later in the week, we recorded a special song for our mums to celebrate Mother's Day. Listen on Tapestry and Twitter.

We hope you all have a wonderful day on Sunday. Parents evening appointments are filling up for next week. We look forward to seeing many of you then. If you have a daytime appointment, please wait in the school reception area and a member of staff will meet you there.

Parent Consultation Meetings NEXT WEEK

Online booking for these appointments is now closed. If you did not manage to book your appointment whilst the system was live, please see your child's class teacher. Parents should have booked either an online video conference OR a face-to-face meeting. Please remember, when you come for your face-to-face meetings, we will need to be as strict on the timing of the appointments as the computer is for those online. To stop crowds developing outside classroom doors we must all stick to the time allocation and not take any longer. You can always ask

to see the teacher at any time.

Year 2 Class Assemblies

Thank you to the children in Year 2 for performing their year group assembly this morning. In class, the children recently immersed themselves in medieval life, and demonstrated this by kick starting their assembly with a Hornbeam vs Chestnut jousting competition.

The children explained how castles were designed to defend the occupants and incorporated drama, dancing, poetry and singing to bring their learning to life.

Following their amazing performances at Christmas, this was their second opportunity this year to deliver performances to their parents and they did a fantastic job - again!

Well done to everyone in Year 2, we are all immensely proud of how hard you are working, and this was epitomised by your assembly this morning.

Thank you to all who came to watch this morning.



Quick updates on School CALENDAR ... Terms 4&5 (Repeat Item)

NO CLUBS NEXT WEEK (week beginning 28th March)

Except Choir – Choir is ON – 30th March and Tennis - Tennis is ON 31st March

Next Week - Parent Meetings - see message on page 1 Easter Egg Trail - see poster below

Discos - We will not be holding discos this term, but we do intend to reintroduce them in Term 6. They will be the first FOAMS Discos since February 2020. We are aware that for our younger children, this would be their first discos at AMCPS. *Make sure you book out 14th July for discos!*

Parent Update will be on – Mr Buckley's Parent Update gets more participation online, so it will stay virtual for now. **27th April at 7pm – details on how you can book your place - out next week.**

Year 1 Assemblies – 9am for Alder and 9.45am for Birch on 20th May

Class Photos – teams as well - are on 24th May 2022.

Two major events return in Term 6

Year 6 Camp Out – We intend to hold our Camp Out for Year 6 this year. We will write to Year 6 next term with information about Camp Out 2022 and a registration form.

Musical Extravaganza – all children will be performing at our annual Musical Extravaganza – School Field - **18**th **July 1.30pm**

Click on the link below to check all events and dates on the school calendar:

https://www.abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk/ files/ugd/64c1c7 7f26307e6c43418fadbb357166654bfc.pdf

TOMORROW







Haydon Wick

The Haydon Wick Parish Council Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday 16th April 2022 10.00am - 11.30am

Voyager Drive, Oakhurst, Swindon, SN25 2HR (What3Words: ///expectant.lamps.develops)





All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult FRFF

> 8 Years and under Meet the Easter Bunny

For more information email Kate at: youthandcommunity@haydonwick.gov.uk Or to book your space visit our Youth Forum:











Easter Egg Trail



Have a look at these different things you can join over the Easter break – Contact the organisers directly for more information.



Join Paul and Jennifer for a fun filled afternoon of tricks, park and flatland bike skills; cycling games,; competitions and much more! Price includes snacks and drinks. All you need is a bike, helmet and a smile on your face!



Monday 11 April 2022 Wroughton Junior School

12.30pm - 3.30pm £20

PLACES ARE LIMITED!!!

TO BOOK A PLACE: Call Paul on 07590 688808

or email paul@paulashmancycling.com

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Year 1 Chicks

The last two weeks have been so egg-citing in Year 1!

Both classes have had ten living eggs arrive and they were thrilled to observe the chicks pip and then crack out of their eggs. Once hatched, the children have taken turns to feed, water and help clean the chicks in their brooder box.

During the chicks stay at Abbey Meads Primary School, the children have also had plenty of opportunities to hold the chicks and to get them out on to the carpet. The children have been lucky to observe how the chicks have grown and how their features have changed in the short time we have them. It has been lovely to see how caring the children have been towards the chicks as they treat them just like any of their other classmates. How egg-cellent is that? The children will miss the chicks when they go back to the farm, but we can all agree we have had a cracking time. That's all yolks! Mr. Edwards









Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby players take runners-up spot!

Abbey Meads tag rugby team enjoyed a really successful outing to the Swindon Y3 and Y4 tag rugby tournament. For some, this was their first taste of competitive sport. In their first game, Abbey Meads showed their skills as well as their compassion against King William Street, who had never played tag rugby before. Winning by an impressive 10 - 1, Abbey Meads were off to a flying start with Kieran showing his ability to run some great lines

and Kiara making many try saving tags. Next up, the team were forced to use all their skills, including some impressive speed from Riley H and some great dodging from Riley P. Abbey Meads drew against a competitive Greenmeadow side. In our third match, we played against a team of all Y4s from Peatmoor. We rose to the challenge, with some excellent forward runs from Sienna and some flashes of speed from Samuel. The Peatmoor team, who went on to be winners, were strong and we lost out to them.

Keen to show their resilience, Abbey Meads bounced back. Despite being tired, Kenzo got the ball in hand and made great forward progress. Thanks to great passing by Aya, Jacob was able to find space and set up a last minute try to secure the draw. Abbey Meads came a proud second.

My player of the tournament goes to all-rounder Brian. Great job, team!

Mrs Wickens

Thursday Talented Artists Club







WARNING!

After Easter we return to our normal gate times of 8.20-8.40am.

Gates will lock at 8.40am.

Children arriving after this time will be marked as late arrivals. Children arriving after registers have been completed will be marked unauthorised. Please note this return to March 2020 timings.

Extract from Calendar (note changes) - Repeat Item

11 th	9am	Year 3 Curriculum Assembly	Year 3 Parents
14-18 th	Various	British Science Week (11th - 20th March 2022)	Children
14 th	6.15pm	Local Governing Body	Governors
25 th	9am	Year 2 Curriculum Assembly	Year 2 Parents
29 th	4.30-8pm	Parent, Child, Teacher Consultations - Virtual	Parent/child
31 st	3.30-6pm	Parent, Child, Teacher Consultations - Face to Face	Parent/child
APRIL 2022			
1 st	1.30pm onwards	FOAMS Easter Trail	Parent/child
7 th	5pm and 6.15pm	Spring Discos (5-6pm FS2&KS1 - 6.15-7.30pm KS2) Cancelle	d 📥
8 th	1.30pm	Last Day of Term 4 (Easter) (Sunshine Club at 4.30pm)	
25 th	8.30am	First Day of Term 5 (Sunshine Club at 7.30am)	
27 th	7 _{pm}	Parent Update - Updates from Mr. B on anything linked to school.	Parents only
MAY 2022			
2 nd	All day	MAY DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	CLOSED
All Month		KS1 Teacher Assessments Activities	
9-12 th	Mon-Thurs	KS2 SATs (Statutory Assessment Tests)	Y6 Children
9 th	<mark>7pm</mark>	FOAMS Meeting - all welcome	<u>Parents</u>
16 th	6.15pm	Local Governing Body	Governors
18 th	8.30am	BAG2SCHOOL	
20 th	9am	Year 1 Curriculum Assembly	Year 1 Parents
24 th	3-4pm	Book Look - (parents to spend time in class with their child)	Parents TBC
24 th	8.45am	Class Photographs	Children 👗
27 th	1.30pm	Last Day of Term 5 (Sunshine Club 4.30pm)	
JUNE 2022		•	
6 th	Closed	Teacher Development Day - SCHOOL CLOSED	Closed
7 th	8.30am	First Day of Term 4 (Sunshine Club at 7.30am)	
7-10 th	4 days	Phonics Check Period - National Phonics Check - Yr1	
7-21 ^{s†}	3 weeks	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check - National Tables Check	
7-10 th	Tue-Fri	Curriculum Enrichment 3 - The Platinum Jubilee - Whole School Histori	cal Timeline
8 th	<mark>7.00pm</mark>	Meeting for Parents of children joining Reception Sept 2022	Parents only
10 th & 11 th	6.30pm-9am	CAMP OUT - Year 6 only - Forest School activities and Camp	Yr6 ONLY
16 th	<mark>6pm</mark>	Year 3 Meeting about their Year 4 Residential Trip	Families -
17 th	9am	Reception Curriculum Assembly	FS2 Parents
21 st	Sports Day	FS2/KS1-9.30am - Yrs 3&4-11am - Yrs5&6 1.45pm	(back up 28 th)
<mark>22nd</mark>	6.30pm	Meeting for Parents of children joining Nursery September 2022	Parents only
27 th	<mark>7pm</mark>	FOAMS Meeting - all welcome	<mark>Parents</mark>
28 th	9.30am & 11am	Back up for Sports Morning if wet on 21st	parents
JULY 2022			
5 th , 6 th , 7 th	11.30am-12.15pm	Acorn's Teddy Bears Picnics - Nursery children starting in Sept 2022	Families
11 th	1.45pm	Year 6 Production	Parents
11 th	6.15pm	Local Governing Body AGM	Governors
12 th	6pm	Year 6 Production	Parents
13 th	4.30-5.30pm	Open Afternoon (reports handed out to those who attend)	Families
14 th	5pm and 6.15pm	Discos - Shorts and Shades (5-6pm FS2&KS1 - 6.15-7.30pm H	<mark>(52)</mark>
15 th	All day	FOAMS BREAK THE RULES - NON-Uniform Day - donation to FOA	
18 th	1.30pm	Musical Extravaganza - (Back up 10.15am on Wed 20 th July)	Families
18 th	6pm	Year 5 Isle of Wight & Curriculum Meeting ready for Year 6	Year 5 Parents
19 th	In school day	Class Swap - Children Meet their new teachers	Children
20 th	10.15am	Back up for Musical Presentation if wet on 18 th	
20 th	3pm	Last Day of School Year (Sunshine Club at 6pm)	
21st and 22nd	Closed	Teacher Development Days - SCHOOL CLOSED	CLOSED