

## House Point Cup Weekly Winners

The House Points earned this week were...

Avebury	333pts
Kennet	324pts
Silbury	319pts
Ridgeway	309pts



Well done to all really close this week!

## Odd Sock Day on MONDAY

It is Antibullying Week next week and to start the week we are taking part in **odd sock day**. Again, there is nothing special or expensive to do - just wear odd socks on Monday. The socks do not have to be any specific design or colours - just odd.



## Nursery News

What a wonderful week learning about Diwali, making diva lamps and creating rangoli patterns. Alongside this, we have given the children their parts for the Christmas nativity. We are busy learning the songs and now know the Christmas story. We will send out more information about the tickets for the performance soon.



Mrs Wright

## BAG2SCHOOL Thanks

Thank you all so much for your donations to Bag2School. Together you raised another £115.20 for the school.



## Cricket Success for Jaisal

Congratulations to Jaisal on being selected for the Gloucester County Cricket Under 10s winter training squad. This is a great achievement and we all wish him the best of luck in progressing to the playing squad for next season.



Good luck Jaisal and well done!

## Year 5 Assemblies a huge hit!

Thank you to all in Year 5 for three amazing Tropical Terrors assemblies today.



We learned an awful lot about Rain Forests and the animals and insects that live in that habitat. In all three assemblies we were treated to some amazing poetry writing, inspired by *The Tyger* by William Blake, including some excellent performance poetry of that classic. The children performed their drama and dance elements with wonderful expression. They projected their voices really well and even those who were less confident performed superbly and should be really proud.



Some children showed us their artwork, and demonstrated their art techniques whilst others showed their videos on their artwork taking place. With internet safety and branching databases in computing, geographical terminology around the Tropics and deforestation, historical work on the Mayans, water filtering systems science, expressive arts with singing, dancing, art & craft, performance poetry and recorders alongside research skills demonstrate an incredibly diverse curriculum with breadth and depth being experienced in Year 5.

The children also demonstrated their engagement in their class novel *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell, with excellent retelling or dramatic interpretations. What an excellent morning of assemblies - Well done all.

## School Councillors elected!

Congratulations to the following children on being elected by their classmates to be School Councillors for 2021-2022.



1Alder	Jackson	Liliana
1Birch	Ilinca	Ashton
2Hornbeam	Freddie	Imogen
2Chestnut	Amelia	Mason
3Rowan	Eniola	Sophie
3Sycamore	Olivia	Evelyn
4Juniper	Mustafa	Emily
4Willow	Aya	Arthur
5Oak	Jamie	Kristina
5Ash	Jan	Niyah-Anne
5Maple	Alicia	Casey
6Holly	Owen	Jessica
6Elm	Albie	Phoebe C
Chairperson	Ella P	

Badges will be awarded in assembly soon.



See page 2 for our first challenge!

Thank you to everyone who made posters and stood to be a school councillor this year.

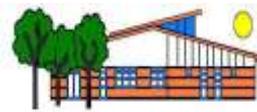
We are very grateful for your efforts and hard work as a candidate.

You will all be receiving a thank you from Mrs Healy and Mrs Jordan like this one here.



Thank you for your hard work as a candidate for the School Council From Mrs Healy and Mrs Jordan





## Swindon Christmas Toy Appeal

We are supporting the Swindon Christmas Toy Appeal again to spread a little festive cheer to families around Swindon. This is the newly elected School Council's first initiative of the year! If you would like to donate, we will be collecting donations in class from Monday November 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Donations should be new gifts** suitable for children from 0-16 years old. Suggestions can be found below:

**0-3:** Dolls, teddy bears, baby clothes, bath toys, CDs of suitable music and nursery rhymes, puzzles, educational toys (sorting) and role play items.

**3-5:** Dolls and action figures, cars and lorries, DVDs and CDs (music and nursery rhymes), colouring sets, pencils, crayons, books, puzzles, Play-Doh sets and role play items.

**5-9:** Educational games and toys, stationery (colouring sets, pencils, crayons, school sets), CDs and family-friendly DVDs, books, puzzles, wordsearch, crosswords, craft sets, annuals and novelty back packs.

**9-12:** Games and toys, gadgets and novelty toys, stationery, DVDs, books, hair accessories, annuals, novelty back packs.

**13-16:** Books, make-up and toiletries (please try to ensure non-allergenic ingredients if possible), hair accessories, gift vouchers, gadgets and novelty items.

Thank you for your help!



*Thank you for helping in so many ways...*

## CHILDREN IN NEED Next Friday!

We will be joining in with the Children in Need celebrations day On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021.



As you already know, children can come to school in non-uniform or PE /Sports kit - anyone wanting to wear Pudsey things are welcome, but there is no need to do anything special.

We will be taking part in a Joe Wicks fitness session and making even more effort than ever to carry out acts of kindness.

**No need to send money to school, just make donations direct via this ParentPay link:**

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=4263>

## Traffic Consultations - (repeat item)

You can make comments to the consultation by following the links provided.

A copy of the documents for the Order may be inspected online at [www.swindon.gov.uk/trafficregulationorders](http://www.swindon.gov.uk/trafficregulationorders)

Objections or representations to the proposed Order should be made by completing the consultation form which can be found at [www.swindon.gov.uk/trafficregulationorders](http://www.swindon.gov.uk/trafficregulationorders) under 'Stage 2 - Formal consultation' with reference (ST&I/TRO/Hugo Drive) by no later than 25 November 2021.



## No Loading and No Waiting at any time

The orders are as a consequence of parking and visibility difficulties encountered around the turning circle, junctions and the entrance of Abbey meads Community Primary School

The reason for making this order is as follow;

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road, or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising; or
- For facilitating the passage on the road, or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), or
- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs, or
- to assist with the free flow of traffic, or
- to improve the environment for local residents

## Applying for School places

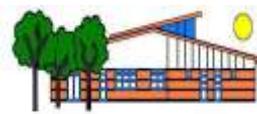
**Every child in our Nursery Acorn class needs to apply for a Primary School place – even if they are already in the school.** Attending our nursery class **does NOT** give an automatic passage to our Reception classes.

The Primary School application deadline is 15th January 2022

Here is the link to apply from the SBC website:

[https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20071/school\\_places\\_and\\_admissions](https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20071/school_places_and_admissions) **Please remember to apply.**





Please send in next week!



We are a Santa-gram School

Home Instead.  
*To us, it's personal.*

Get creative, embrace your inner artist, crafter, poet, or writer, and get involved

Could you be a Santa-gram Elf?

## BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR

**CAN YOU HELP US BRIGHTEN AN OLDER PERSON'S DAY AT CHRISTMAS WITH A 'SANTA-GRAM'?**

We are looking for pictures, drawings, puzzles, crosswords, cards, crafts, letters, craft kits, gifts, bookmarks ...

ANYTHING hand-made, printed or purchased that will fit in an A4 sized envelope and will help raise a smile and brighten someone's day ... and it doesn't have to be festive!

Deadline for contributions 20 November 2021

For more information, speak to our Chief Santa-gram Elf: Tracy Balguy, School Office

FRIENDS OF ABBEY MEADS SCHOOL INVITE YOU TO OUR

# CHRISTMAS MARKET NIGHT

Crafts \* Gifts \* Treats \* Refreshments \* Raffle

**FRIDAY 26TH NOVEMBER**  
**17:30-20:30**  
**ABBEY MEADS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Admission £2 per adult includes 1 raffle entry  
Treasure Hunt 50p per child  
Social distancing measures will be in place.

MINI XMAS PHOTOSHOOTS £30  
In a digital image

## 7 WAYS TO START MAKING KINDNESS THE NORM IN YOUR DAILY LIFE:

- 1 Send an uplifting text to a friend or family member.
- 2 Let that guy merge into traffic with a wave and a smile.
- 3 Include intentional moments of kindness, laughter and delight in your daily routine.
- 4 Go *slightly* outside of our comfort zone at least once a day to make someone smile.
- 5 Share a compliment with a co-worker or friend.
- 6 Reach out to a family member you haven't spoken to in awhile.
- 7 Treat someone to a cup of coffee (a friend, stranger, or even yourself).

Being kind gives others

# STRENGTH