

## House Point Cup Weekly Winners

The House Points earned this week were...

<b>Kennet</b>	<b>266pts</b>
<b>Silbury</b>	<b>262pts</b>
<b>Avebury</b>	<b>258pts</b>
<b>Ridgeway</b>	<b>250pts</b>



**Well done everyone!**

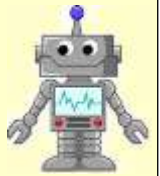
## Yellow Line WARNING!

Please take note that Swindon Borough Council will be issuing fines now, to people parking on the double yellow lines outside school. It has been noticed that some parents still park on these lines, so we wanted to make it clear that the lines are managed by Swindon Borough Council, and they have informed us that they will start patrolling the areas around schools, issuing fixed penalty notices to anyone parking illegally. It is frustrating for all concerned, two times a day for around 15minutes, but please follow the rules of the road. Please remember if you don't let people out, you can't get in! **Please also respect our local residents and stay away from their driveways.**



## Year 3 Curriculum Assembly for Parents

Thank you so much to everyone in Year 3 for presenting their Robots Assembly twice this morning.



It was clear from the assemblies that you have been working incredibly hard in Year 3 and have enjoyed such a rich and varied curriculum. We opened with incredibly well-timed robotic dancing and moved smoothly into all the areas of the curriculum you might imagine. An excellent example, using 'The Iron Man', of how to develop reading skills (*from a future teacher?*) was followed by some lovely examples of art and craft, with robot collages, charcoal pictures and models. The classes have really enjoyed their work with Mr Bicknell, and they recited two poems. 'It was Long Ago' by Eleanor Farjeon was followed by 'Mr Moore' by David Harmer; the children delivered their lines beautifully and it was no small task to remember your place in the recitals of quite complex poetry. When you add in drama freeze frames and singing in French, the children truly demonstrated that, not only are they offered a wide and balanced curriculum in Yr 3, but they are taking full advantage of what life at AMCPS has to offer. Well done all - you are a superb advert for our school and the applause from the audience says just how proud we all are of you *Keep it up!*

## Nursery News

We have been very busy planting sunflowers and beans this week in Nursery. We are hoping to grow some impressive sunflowers and beanstalks. We certainly have some green fingers amongst us. We continue this work next week as we begin to read 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.



## Well done Ruben - Drummer of the Month!

Ruben enjoys attending drum lessons at **The Alternative Drum School in Cricklade.** All his hard work and progress was celebrated this week when he was awarded 'Drummer of the Month' receiving a certificate and new drum sticks as recognition of his 'very impressive growth' and ability to play *Centuries* by *Fall Out Boy*.

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## Red Nose Day - Next Friday

Comic Relief (Red Nose Day) is Next Friday - March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

The theme this year is Superheroes, and we will be allowing children to come dressed as a superhero. Or they can come in non-uniform, dressed as themselves, since they are all superheroes!

We will be holding Relay Red Nose and Spoon races around the Trim Trail, with each class trying to get the highest number of laps for their age group. We will not be selling Red Noses this year, so advance warning here that you can buy them now, in the usual places like supermarkets etc.

## Challenge

*Make Mr Buckley and Mrs Cunningham laugh at the gate - get practising your favourite joke!*



### Football v Oakhurst

The footballers lost 6-1 against Oakhurst this week but showed amazing resilience against an outstanding Oakhurst team. Despite a dominant performance from their opponents, Abbey Meads persevered and eventually scored a well-deserved goal. They are really playing well for each other and demonstrating excellent sporting behaviour whether winning or losing. Next week the team have two matches, including a cup game on Thursday.



### Netball v Swindon Academy

It was a fantastic team effort from our Abbey Meads Netball team on Wednesday evening. They played some fantastic netball and, even though they didn't come away with the win, they showed some fantastic teamwork and skills.



The final score was 5-2 to Swindon Academy.

Our Team:

Gracie, Jess, Frankie, Harvey,  
Jovan, Chelsey, Imogen

### Parents Evenings (29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> March)

**There is a change to the original calendar.**

**This information is also being sent home as a paper letter to all children**

Originally advertised as virtual meetings on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March and face-to-face meetings on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March, we have decided to change things to reduce the number of adults on site at any one time. We plan to have the following arrangements.

- Nursery - Mrs Wright will inform you separately
- Reception, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 will be Face-to-Face Tuesday (29<sup>th</sup>) and Virtual Thursday (31<sup>st</sup>)
- Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 will be Virtual on Tuesday (29<sup>th</sup>) and Face-to-Face on Thursday (31<sup>st</sup>)

This means that on each day, half the classes will be online while the other half are in school face to face. When you are asked to book your appointments, please remember to book early as both online and face to face appointments will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

It is expected that we will have a balance of parents wanted each of the options.

We are aware that many parents liked the certainty of virtual appointments, whilst others found their technology unreliable. We hope the offering of this hybrid version of our parent evenings will be successful.

If there is a higher demand for one style over another, some people may well be disappointed.

So, please watch out for the email from our office about booking your parent evening appointments and log in early to book the style of meeting you prefer. **You will receive an email and a paper copy.**

We will constantly review how we organise these meetings and consider all options available to us as we move forward, adapting to demand as much as possible.



## Mother's Day Cream Tea boxes

Small: 2 scones, 1 cupcake £3.50

Large option one: 4 scones, 2 cupcakes £6

Large option two: 2 scones, 4 cupcakes £6.50

Each box comes with jam, cream, coffee and tea

Scones and cupcakes from a local business

Pay via parent pay and order via email to:

foams@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk

Children will walk out with the pre-ordered boxes on Fri 25th March



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