



House Point Cup Weekly Winners

This week's winners are...

Avebury	298pts
Silbury	297pts
Ridgeway	295pts
Kennet	288pts



Well done everyone!

Thank you for Donations...

Bag2School

Thank you all so much for all your donations of clothes, belts, shoes, bags etc this week, as part of our Bag2School collection. Together you earned the school £120.80

Summer Fete Bottles Tombola

Another thanks, this time for your kind donations of bottles towards the Summer Fete Bottle Tombola.



Nursery News

We had a fun filled week learning about worms. We loved digging for worms, playing with the spaghetti in class and using worms for measuring. We have been learning to use the mathematical vocabulary 'longer' and 'shorter' to compare length.

We can't believe that next week is the last week of term.



Open Hour Book Look - Returns Next Week

Although this returns next week, we remain aware that because of Covid restrictions, at least two age groups have never attended one!

So here is what happens:

Children from Reception to Year 6 are allowed to bring their parents into class after school - between 3-4pm next Tuesday 24th May. Your child will be able to share some of their work with you and you can have a look around the classroom.

This is not a Parent/Teacher Meeting.

This is a chance for you to come into class and share time with your child.

We do ask parents to use common sense on crowding, and if there appears to be too many people in the classroom, please wait.

Equally, please think of others and if you can see lots waiting outside, don't stay in the classroom for the full hour.

(3-4pm is the drop-in time zone only - you can be 5 mins)



Year 1 Assemblies

Once Upon a Time, Year 1

presented two outstanding assemblies...

Thank you to our Year 1 classes for their amazing class assemblies this morning.

Following our new way of presenting these assemblies, 1Alder went first at 9am followed by 1Birch at 9.45am. Both delivered the same assembly, focussed on the work they have been doing as part of their Fairy Tales Topic.

It was the first opportunity, since starting school, for these children to present a class assembly to their parents and they did it superbly.

The assemblies were filled with songs and poetry and an enormous amount of evidence to demonstrate the children's learning; there was excellent descriptive writing about fairy tale homes and maths work on doubles.

They all looked cool whilst doing their doubles rap and used some advanced vocabulary whilst comparing and contrasting different plants and their growth in Science.

Their plants were very impressive, they obviously have green fingers. We loved the Story Telling version of the Hansel and Gretel story, which involved telling the whole story from memory as well as superb acting, narration and singing.

We all left the hall with a spring in our step after such a wonderful performance. Top Marks!



FAMILY LEARNING EVENT - 29th June

Family Learning events return with an hour of **STORYTELLING**.

Join us after school between **3.15-4.15**

on 29th June to hear from author Neil Griffiths,

Storytelling from Mr Buckley and other story related activities. Save the date now and watch your **weekly newsletter** for more information nearer the time.



Year 6 Cake Sale Next Friday

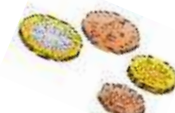
The children in Year 6 always do a few events in the summer terms to raise funds for their end of year celebration day.

They start with a cake sale at 1.30pm next Friday 27th May.

They will hold it on the Astro-pitches.

Please help the Year 6 children raise some funds, by bringing loose change and start your half term holiday with cake!

CAKE SALE



Year 6 Friday Fun!

Y6 had an amazing day last Friday to celebrate the end of a busy week. They enjoyed archery, climbing, games and some treats throughout the day. The children were amazing and threw themselves into everything with enthusiasm and a smile on their faces. The support they gave to each other was outstanding and all staff were very proud of them all.



Well Done Olly!

Olly (4Willow) competed in his first official Quad Kids competition at the weekend, with his running club Swindon Harriers.

He ran 600m, sprinted 70m, threw a vortex and jumped as far as he could.

He did extremely well in his age group (under 11), especially considering he was only 8! He's now got the bug and can't wait to compete again.



**CLASS PHOTOS TAKE PLACE NEXT WEEK
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILDREN
ARE IN SCHOOL AND LOOKING SMART
IN THEIR UNIFORM COLOURS
ON TUESDAY 24TH MAY.**



**WHILST THESE ARE JUST A SCHOOL
CLASS PHOTO TODAY, THEY WILL BE
AMAZING MEMORY JOGGERS, WHEN
YOUR CHILDREN ARE AS OLD AS MR. B!**

Did you see the FOAMS Newsletter this week?

It was emailed to you all and sent to you on paper, yes paper! It is also on our website...

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(abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk)



Discos are Back (3rd Repeat Item)

These are next week! Here is how they work...

The Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 disco starts at 5pm.

Parents bring the children in the foyer, pay £3 and leave them at the school hall.

Please take jackets and coats away with you.

The children will have the chance to have a drink (water or squash) and biscuits.

At 6pm please queue up outside to be let in the front door, where you will be guided round a one-way system through the hall to collect your child.

The Year 3,4,5,6 disco starts at 6.15pm.

Parents bring the children in the Community Room fire door (next to the Nursery Gate), pay £3 and leave them with the staff there. **Please take jackets and coats away with you.** The children will have the opportunity to buy snacks while at the disco, so they will need some extra money if they want to do this. Squash, water and biscuits will be available free of charge.

At 7.30pm please queue up outside to be let in the front door, where you will be guided round a one-way system through the hall to collect your child.



ALL children of ALL ages MUST be dropped off and picked up by an adult.

Dates - reminder.... Most dates published July 2021

Dates are already on the [school calendar](#) so please check this again using the hyperlink.

Some highlights (all live and face to face in school...) as reminders are:

24th May - Book Look returns - come and see your child's work- 3-4pm - more details in future news...

25th May - **DISCOS RETURN** - see poster on page 2 (or last week's news) for timings - or see calendar

27th May - **END OF TERM 5**

6th June - School Closed TDD

7th June - **First day of term 6 for children**

7-10 June - Special Week - Platinum Jubilee - includes researching the decades and a street party.

9th June - St Andrews Parish Council by-election - Butterflies will be the Polling Station again.

10th & 11th June - Year 6 Camp Out

16th June - Year 3 Meeting about the Year 4 Residential Trip next year - face to face in school.

17th June - Reception Class Assemblies

17th June - **Non-Uniform Day** - Bring chocolate as a donation to FOAMS for the Fete Chocolate Tombola

21st June - Sports Day

29th June - **FAMILY LEARNING EVENT STORY TELLING - 3.15-4.15pm - not on calendar**

1st July - **SUMMER FETE** - 2pm-5pm - **this is not on the calendar but reintroduced!**

5th July - **Year 5 Meeting** about Year 6 next year (Isle of Wight/Curriculum/Classes) 6.30pm

Note this meeting is a change and was originally 18th July please note this change and keep the date

11th & 12th July - Year 6 Production for parents. (11th at 1.45pm and 12th at 6pm - more details to follow)

13th July - Reports handed out to parents - come to school and collect them - 4.30pm

14th July - School Discos - times are always confirmed in Newsletters and on the calendar.

15th July - Break The Rules Non-Uniform Day (donations to FOAMS)

18th July - Musical Extravaganza - School Field at 1.30pm

20th July Last day of term.

There are more dates not included above - [see the calendar](#) for all meetings etc.



FATHER'S DAY TREATS

PLACE YOUR ORDERS BY FRI 10TH JUNE

1 PASTY & 1 CUPCAKE: £5

4 CUPCAKES: £6

2 PASTIES & 2 CUPCAKES: £8

Cupcakes and pasties made locally



PLEASE PAY VIA PARENT PAY
PREPAID BOXES WILL COME OUT WITH THE
CHILDREN ON FRI 17TH JUNE

Get playing

#GetPlaying

Help young people begin an amazing journey into the wide world of music



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SWINDON, GET READY FOR...



TAGTAP AR

Now in Swindon, TAGTAP AR is a brand new Augmented Reality game that lets you explore an exciting virtual world for FREE, using just your smartphone!

Discover 3D characters at checkpoints across the town, including dinosaurs, and earn points to climb the leader board to become a TagTap AR Boss!

TO PLAY:

- Download the TagTapAR app for free at: TAGTAPAR.CO.UK
- Create a username and password
- Select the 'Swindon' game from the menu
- Click the 'show map' button to find TagTaps
- Find a Tagtap and click the 'AR' button to open the AR viewer
- Uncover your 3D model and click to collect points!



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**This is information sharing only...
It remains the parent's responsibility to
assess the suitability of such offers and to
monitor their safe use.**

TagTap AR launched in Swindon on the 1st of April and ends runs until December. Throughout the game, players can expect exciting new characters and events to get involved in.

Stuart Arthur, Project Officer at Wilshire and Swindon Sport (WASP) who worked on Beat the Street said: "Tag Tap is a fantastic way to add a bit of fun to the daily routine. Catching a dinosaur on the way to school or hunting a crocodile whilst at Coate Water, is a unique experience and something we are excited to support. Swindon has a large cycling and walking network, and this is a way to help people explore the town. Having another free family activity that gets people out and about is a great way to get Swindon active."

Steve Maddern, Director of Public Health at Swindon Borough Council, said: "Any initiative which aims to get people out and about in their local area and getting active is welcome. Physical activity not only brings benefits for our physical health, but also for our mental health too, so I'd really encourage people to get involved!"

To get involved, visit www.tagtapar.co.uk to download the FREE TagTap AR app.