



House Point Cup Weekly Winners

The House Points earned so far from 2nd September to 8th April are...

Avebury	7830pts
Silbury	7814pts
Kennet	7813pts
Ridgeway	7811pts



Well done everyone!

Happy Easter

Wishing you all a Happy Easter Break. We are now closed until 25th April 2022, when we open at 7.30am for Sunshine Breakfast Club and 8.30am for the school and Nursery.

Gates open at 8.20am and close at 8.40am.

There is an important message on page 2 for parents, if you are taking your children near water this Easter. Have a great break, stay safe and we will see you all again in two weeks' time.



REMINDER -Gates now lock at 8.40am.

Please note that from April 25th we will return to the normal opening hours, that were last in place in March 2020. In the morning the gates will open at 8.20am The school day starts at 8.30am, when the classroom doors open. **The gates will be locked at 8.40am.** Children arriving after this time will be marked late and any children arriving after the registers have closed will receive an unauthorised mark. Please be pre-warned and if you currently arrive after 8.40am, please start planning for a slightly earlier arrival after Easter.



Golden Book

Congratulations to the following children for being mentioned in the Golden Book Assembly today for their excellent attitudes and approach.

- Sachi and Jaxson (Beech)
- Rogan and Ryan (Hazel)
- Thea and Eliza (1Birch)
- Azriel and George (1Alder)
- Pixie, Camdynn and Mason (2Chestnut)
- Rory and Dolly (2Hornbeam)
- Yeni and Ella (3Rowan)
- Caitlin and Toby (3Sycamore)
- Logan and Annora (4Juniper)
- Auben and Michael (4Willow)
- Samukelo and Luciano (5Ash)
- Frankie and Oliver (5Oak)
- Lily, Harry T and Charlie (5Maple)
- Keela, Marko, Ella, Ann, Saira, Taiya J (Year 6)



Well done to all of you - keep it up!

Nursery News

We had a busy week in nursery learning about Easter. We tried hot cross buns, went on an Easter egg hunt and made yummy chocolate nests. At the end of the week many children brought in an Easter bonnet they made at home and took part in an Easter parade. We were so impressed with the effort. The children looked fantastic and loved wearing their bonnets. We hope everyone has a wonderful Easter break and don't forget to look out for your school offers that will come out during the Easter holidays.



Year 5 Enjoy Explorer Dome

On Monday morning, all three Year 5 classes met Matt and Annie from the Explorer Dome. We learnt about our solar system and what different star colours mean. We gazed at the constellations before naming a few, including Sirius the dog, Orion the hunter and the Big Dipper. This experience taught us a lot about space and we really enjoyed it. What a great way to end the term!



The Dome filling our hall

Luciano, Georgia, Archie and Alex

Project Me - Swindon Town FC

Well done to Rory, Ossie, Michael, Cameron (Y4), Archie (Y5) and Finley and Tyler (Y6) who attended their Project Me Graduation at Swindon Town FC yesterday. This is the culmination of an 8-week mentoring project promoting healthy mental wellbeing, run by Trailblazers and Swindon Town in the Community. The boys have enjoyed the activities each week and were very excited to tour the County Ground today as a reward for their hard work.



Parent Update (Reminder)

Mr Buckley's Parent Update will be on **Wednesday 27th April at 7pm.**

At the Parent Updates, Mr Buckley speaks about the latest developments in education, plans for future events, updates about the Blue Kite Trust and often the chance to discuss and shape the way the school does things in the future.

This event runs on Zoom - so if you would like to attend, please contact the school office and we will send you the codes after Easter. admin@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk or 01793 723239

If you have a specific question you would like to ask, or an area on which you would like more information, please email the school office on admin@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk

Please put the date in your diary, let the office know and we'll make sure you get the codes.



Girls Football Team win again

AMCPS Girls' Football team came up against tough opposition, in a closely fought encounter last Friday.

The girls had to be patient and wait until late in the first half before Phoebe C broke the deadlock, against a robust St Mary's defence. Loydy tucked away a second from close range just after the interval to seal to the victory for the girls. Well done to Gracie, Oliwia, Macca, Lily, Tigerlily, Hollie, Phoebe C and Phoebe J.



Important information from the Fire Service

With the longer days and hopefully warmer weather we will all be spending more time outside.

In the two counties covered by Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service we are lucky to have many beautiful areas of water including the sea, rivers, lakes and canals.

The most important water safety advice you can help teach your child for water safety is FLOAT to live. Talk to your child and explain if they ever fall into water, or struggle when swimming they need to think "FLOAT." Lie on their back, put their legs and arms out like a star and look up to the sky. Why not check your child knows how to do this by practicing on dry land or next time you are swimming in a pool with them? For more information, including two stories to watch/read by Zoe Wanamaker CBE and Olympic Swimmer Sharron Davies MBE and activities to keep your child entertained during the holidays, please visit Dorset & Wiltshire Fire Service | Be Water Aware (www.dwfire.org.uk) there is also the chance to enter our prize draw to win a VIP trip to a DWFRS fire station!



FREE - Swindon Town Season Tickets!

Well not actually free...

Swindon Town Football in the Community have kindly given AMCPS a Golden Ticket worth 2 season tickets for the 2022-2023 Season.

One adult season ticket and one for a child.

The tickets are worth £440, and we are running a raffle for our families to win this amazing prize.

Raffle Tickets are £4 each and you can buy them by logging in to **ParentPay** and choosing that option.

We will know, from the amount you pay, how many £4 tickets you want to buy (and therefore more chances to win these Season Tickets).

Deadline for buying tickets is 13th May 2022.

Mr Stratton will film the draw, which will take place on 27th May 2022 and be shared on Twitter.

Winners will of course be contacted directly by Mr Stratton following the draw.



Fae receives letter from The Queen!

We have shared so much on Twitter recently; it really is the best place to get to see pictures and things that are happening first. Some make it to the newsletter as well and this one just had to be shared.

Fae was so kind to write to The Queen, when Her Majesty had Covid, wishing her well and inviting her to her birthday party. She was thrilled this week to receive a letter back.

**Well done Fae,
so thoughtful and kind.
Always Paying Forward!**



Purton Cricket Club is offering All Stars (5-8 year olds) from 8th July and Dynamos (8-11 year olds) from 6th May - Come along and join in softball cricket fun at a welcoming , family friendly club



Big Moments
of summer fun!



Sign up today at
allstarscricket.co.uk



Calling all 8-11 year olds!
Sign up today, at
dynamoscricicket.co.uk

This is our game.



stjohnshaydonwick.org.uk



Please join us for a
Family Easter Celebration!



11am Easter Sunday,
17th April 2022,
St John's Church,
Haydon Wick

Easter : There is Hope

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