

House Point Cup Weekly Winners

The House Points earned this week were:

Silbury	336pts
Kennet	331pts
Avebury	327pts
Ridgeway	314pts



Well done ALL!

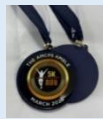
Nursery News

Nursery have been looking for Giants this week. We found Mr Maguire and decided he must be as tall as a giant so measured him! We have been planting beans and learning how to look after them. We can't wait for them to grow, so we can go on some adventures of our own ...



The Abbey Meads Amble

Next Saturday... 1 week to go...
We need your support ...
Please sign up today



Comic Relief - Next Friday

This year Comic Relief is celebrating 40 years of raising money for people across the world to get the basics they deserve. We would like to support this wonderful cause by asking children to come into school on FRIDAY 21ST MARCH dressed in their party clothes to celebrate the 40th birthday. Just non-uniform is fine if party clothes are too much...!
(Please wear sensible shoes!)



If you would like to make a contribution to Comic Relief [click here.](https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Fo c/Default.aspx?shopid=17258)
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Children will be reflecting on the past 40 years and predicting the next 40 years within lessons that day.

Golden Book

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

Aria and Winifred (Juniper)
Marnie and Zach (Willow)
Freddie, Opie and Immanu'el (1Ash)
Amelia and Ethan (1Oak)
Summer and Elisa (2Elm)
Amaarah and Lainy (2Holly)
Nevaeh and Jacob (3Maple)
Tola and Jaxon (3Pine)
Klara and Maisie (4Alder)
Nevaeh and Noah (4Birch)
Natalie and Ava-Mae (5Spruce)
Elliott and Oscar (5Yew)
Kavin and Layla (6Sycamore)
Charlotte and Kyle (6Rowan)



Well done to all of you - keep it up!

Abbey Meads HAS Got Talent!

We had an amazing AMGT final this Morning, where it was clear to see that Abbey Meads really HAS got talent! We were treated to some amazing highly skilled performances by some extremely talented finalists. We had beautiful singing, ridiculously flexible gymnasts, incredible martial arts, enchanting dances, complex piano pieces and magic! It takes not just talent, but courage to stand up in front of an audience of over 400 and all did superbly well. We also need to mention all those children who took part in the heats as well, with each entry counting towards the overall result.



Congratulations go to Ridgeway on winning the *Performance House Cup*, with both the highest number of entries and the highest number of points gained in the final. Special congratulations also go to Rory on being the overall winner with a mesmerising display of magic!



Thanks as always to Head Judge Mr Griffiths and to Olivia and Mohid (Yr6) who managed the music!

Parent Evening Bookings and Parent Survey - Open next week

Please be aware that the opportunity to book your parent/teacher appointments go live on Monday and will stay open for a week. We will also be sending out our Parent Survey next week. This is a quick online form which works on smart phones as well, but we will have some computers available to use during the parent consultation evenings as well.



A few dates to remember for Term 4

17th March - Local Governing Body Meeting
20th March - Year 5 Debate Team at Lethbridge
21st March - Year 2 Assembly for Parents
21st March - Comic Relief
22nd March - THE ABBEY MEADS AMBLE!



25th March - Air Pollution Talks - Yrs4&5
25th & 27th March - Parent/Teacher Meetings
(special other dates set for Miss Hayes and Yr6)

3rd April - School Discos - usual timings etc.
4th April - Kindness Café
4th April - Last day of Term 4 ...
... 1.30pm School and 4.30pm Sunshine Club

TUESDAY 22nd April - First day of Term 5...
... 7.30am Sunshine Club, 8.20am School Gates.

22nd-25th April - Yr4&Yr5 Bikeability - must be booked

Mr Griffiths flies out to The Gambia straight after The Amble – he is so grateful to all who have entered.

PROJECT GAMBIA The Blue Kite Academy Trust

The Abbey Meads Amble 2025

22nd March 2025 - 5K

Walk – Jog – Run – Crawl

When: **22nd March 2025** Time: **11am Start**
Registrations 10-10.45am

Come and join us for our annual **AMCPS Amble**.
One person's sprint is another person's amble. Come and walk, jog, run or even crawl around our specially designed 5K route around Abbey Meads and Seven Fields.

Come and try to set yourself a personal best. Can you beat your time from last year?

Whether a 20-minute dash or a scenic stroll, 5km is 5km (3.1 miles)! Amble, scramble or ramble your way around and **we will celebrate 'finish lines' not 'finish times'...** unless you want to try for one of the fastest child age group times!

£5 per person includes medal, number and a whole lot of fun!
We have introduced a £15 per family option for 2025

There will also be a race village with BBQ, cakes and other refreshments available. All money raised will be going to schools run by Project Gambia Charity.
<https://www.projectgambia200.com/>

ALL WELCOME TO THE RACE VILLAGE FOR REFRESHMENTS

Find out more about the charity, by visiting this link:
<https://www.projectgambia200.com/>

Miguel wins Gold

Congratulations to Miguel who won both Gold and Silver in different events last week at a Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Championship on Sunday 2 March. All his classmates saw a video of his finals and were very impressed.



Year 3 Trip to Avebury

To find out more about our school houses, Year 3 were able to visit the **Avebury** Stone Circle on Wednesday. Through some early rain and snow flurries, the pupils had the opportunity to explore this ancient site, and enjoy the countryside around it. They definitely left with more questions than answers, which they will continue to work on back at school. In addition to this, they saw **Silbury** Hill and the River **Kennet** on their coach journey back, which drove parallel to The **Ridgeway**!



Junior Choir Rock out at The Wyvern

On Wednesday afternoon, a group of children from the school choir attended The Junior Voice Festival at the Wyvern Theatre. They performed a selection of songs including 'The Greatest Show', 'I'm Still Standing' and 'Sweet Caroline'. The children sang beautifully and behaved brilliantly throughout the afternoon. They sang their hearts out and put on a fantastic show! A huge 'Well done' to all the children involved and a big thank you to the parents for their support. Finally, a huge thanks goes to Miss Hayes for being our amazing Choir Leader and also to Mrs Rowe and Mrs Newman for giving up their time to chaperone and to Mr Buckley and Mrs Hume for coming to watch and support the children and staff involved. Without their dedication, we would not be able to give the children such a brilliant opportunity.



Tricky Troll Goes Missing

The children in Reception were shocked recently when they realised Tricky Troll had gone missing. They have been investigating and keeping their incident room evidence board up to date! They had a quick look around outside today, to check how Tricky Troll may have escaped and whilst they were searching, they came across a police car. The police had Tricky Troll with them!



More photos from AMGT



Well done to all who entered - it was wonderful to see so much talent on show. It takes time and commitment and hours of practice to perfect such skills. Keep it up, you all have bright futures!



M&M Theatre Company visits AMCPs

KS2 classes were treated to an amazing theatrical performance of the classic novel, *The Secret Garden* on Monday. We happened to be the right school in the right place and received the performance for free. With 4 actors playing several different roles, incredible scene changes and of course tremendous entertainment, it was an excellent way to start the week. As a studied text in Year 4, it was a perfect opportunity for the children to relate to the content of the musical play. We have already booked *The Wizard of Oz* for a similar time next year, and are extremely grateful to FOAMS for making that possible by paying for the next one!



Swindon Museum and Art

Have you been?

Do you even know where it is?

The Museum and Art moved from Old Town some time ago and has been relocated to the Civic Offices in Euclid Street.

Click on the logo below to be taken to the website where you can find out more.



Mr Buckley said to look out for one of his favourite paintings, *Florestan* by Gillian Ayres. What do you see in it?

