

House Point Cup Weekly Winners

The House Points earned this week were...

Silbury	322pts
Kennet	319pts
Avebury	318pts
Ridgeway	309pts



Well done to all!

Nursery News

We have had a great week learning about how things grow. We based our learning this week on the story of Jaspers Beanstalk. We are now ready to plant our own beans and we know we need to be very patient whilst we wait for it to grow. Mrs Wright bought a fantastic new book - 'What the Worm Saw', which we have loved reading to our worms in our wormery composter.



Golden Book

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

Marley and Chloe (Ash)
Lily and Leon (Oak)
Summer and Aaron (1Elm)
Abdul-Hameed, Matilda and Kaylee (1Holly)
Max and Lily (2Beech)
Amara and Ava (2Hazel)
Ava and Miguel (3Alder)
Freya and Harper (3Birch)
Rory and Sofia F (4Chestnut)
Jaxon and Trelawny (4Hornbeam)
William and Eniola (5Rowan)
Poppy and Ashmeet (5Sycamore)
Isla E-J and Eli (6Juniper)
Michael and Devon (6Willow)



Well done to all of you

Repeat items from last week in case you missed them...

Quick Fire Dates Coming Soon! (Repeat)

- 5th March - Book Swap - see page 2
- 5th March - Year 6 SATS Meeting - 6pm
- 5th March - FOAMS Meeting - 7pm
- 7th March - World Book Day - Optional character dress up day or non-uniform!
- 8th March - Year 3 Assembly- 9am
- 21st March Discos - see here!!
- 22nd March - Year 2 Assembly - 9am
- 23rd March - The Amble - see page 4.
- 26th March - 3.15pm - Family Learning - Science Workshops for an hour!
- 27th March - LAST DAY TERM 4

Easter Break

- 15th April - FIRST DAY TERM 5
- 16/18 April - Parent Teacher Meetings 3.30-6.30pm both days.
- 22nd April - Parent Update with Mr Buckley - Year 2 & 4 class mix up. 6.30pm
- 6th May - May Day Bank Holiday - Closed

Keep up to date by checking the newsletters for updates every week. Look on our website here:

[CLICK HERE for NEWS](#)

School holidays and the calendar of events are also on our website here: [CLICK HERE for DATES](#)

IMPORTANT IF YOU WANT TO GO TO DISCOS

Disco Payments moving to ParentPay

We are trying to improve the speed with which children enter the disco and part of this will include the removal of paying cash and searching for change.

This means to access the disco, payments from now on will be online using ParentPay.

It also means staff and volunteer parents are no longer vulnerable, with excessive amounts of cash on site.

We will also consider new ways of marking children present, which allow us to speed up the process, whilst keeping the safeguarding of children as the most important aspect.

Disco payments will appear on your ParentPay webpage the week before discos and close by 12pm on the day of the disco.

Many thanks for your help with this matter.



ParentPay

Gate Timings

Well done and thank you to everyone for responding to the tighter gate times. Lessons are starting on time and fewer children are missing out.

Please continue to make the 8.30am start. The gates open at 8.20am to allow you 10 minutes to get to class.

FOAMS BOOK SWAP

In the
Community room

Tues 5th March 3pm

All books 50p each

Children will get a chance to look during the day...
come along at 3pm to the Community Room to buy
books for 50p each Next Tuesday!

Special Week 25th-27th March: Science

House Cup: Science and Technology

Take part and win the cup for your house.

Your Task:

You need to make a timer out of whatever materials you choose. The challenge is to make it last for exactly one minute. The winner(s) will be those that are the most accurate against a stopwatch.



To help you, look at these websites:

[British-Science-Week-Early-years-activity-pack-2024.pdf](#)
(britishscienceweek.org)

[British-Science-Week-Primary-activity-pack-2024.pdf](#)
(britishscienceweek.org)

Hand your project into your class teacher **BY Friday 22nd March.**

The key stage heats will be the following week, with the grand final on Wednesday 27th March.

Parents - a date for your diary:

**Family Learning 26th March 2024 3.15pm-4pm -
Kitchen Sink Science**

Come and visit the school to take part in lots of fun science activities with your child/ren.



On Friday 15th March Abbey Meads Primary School will be turning RED to celebrate Red Nose Day! We are asking the children to come into school dressed 'red to toe'.

This could be as simple as a pair of red socks or as loud as a red lobster outfit! How far you take it is up to you! Throughout the day the children will be learning about Red Nose day and where all of the money raised will go. We will have a focus on one charity in particular called 'Waves Music Therapy'. This is an organisation funded by Comic Relief which uses music to improve the lives of children and young people in West Sussex. Please see this link for further information [Waves Music Therapy - Making connections through music - Waves Music Therapy](#)

Children will get the opportunity to listen to music and share their feelings and some may even get the chance to express themselves through the musical form of rap. Some teachers may even have the chance to do this too (Mrs Farmer cough, cough!)

We are asking for donations to this wonderful cause and rather than bring in cash you can donate via ParentPay

We look forward to seeing the school turn red on Friday 15th March!



The Blue Kite Academy Trust has an Early Help Service called **Lighthouse**.

You can get all sorts of helpful advice, reminders of drop ins etc. by following them on Instagram.

The **Lighthouse Instagram** is available by following **lighthouse_bluekitetrust**

(yes that is an underscore!)

or scan this QR code...



Click the noses to go to ParentPay for Comic Relief!



Amara 'wows' Mr Maguire!

Amara in Year 2 amazed Mr Maguire in PE recently when she demonstrated her wonderful footballing skills. He is sure she has a very bright future ahead of her and is a potential future Lioness.

It turns out he was right (*he always is when spotting footballers!*) because we asked her about her football and she brought in all of these trophies and medals!

Keep this up Amara and well done!

Year 6 SATs Meeting for Parents

Just a quick reminder that this is next Tuesday at 6pm!

World Book Day Next Thursday

Another reminder that this is next Thursday and an optional dress up as a character day.

If this something you prefer not to do, just a non-uniform day is fine.

Year 3 Assembly Next Friday

9am next Friday for Year 3 Parents!

THE AMBLE Entries via ParentPay!

Important info:

- 1) **£5 per person** entering the event.
- 2) You can run, jog, walk or crawl!
- 3) Race day is **Saturday 23rd March** with a start at 11am.
- 4) Numbers and permission forms collected between 10-10.45am
- 5) Children in Years 4 or lower need an adult with them please.
- 6) 100% of entry fees and donations go directly to **Project Gambia** where 100% of donations are spent on the schools!
- 7) There will be food and fun activities for everyone afterwards.

Currently we only have 20 families and 58 runners...

please join us, sign up now...it is only 3 weeks away!



PROJECT GAMBIA

The Blue Kite
Academy Trust

The Abbey Meads Amble 2024

5K Walk-Jog-Run-Crawl

When: 23rd March 2024

Time: 10am Registrations
11am Start



Come and join us for what is affectionately known as **THE 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.

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 age group times!*

There is a small entry fee of £5.00 per person - but feel free to collect sponsors too!

There will be a medal for all finishers and a Fun Day to follow, with bouncy castles, BBQ, cakes and other refreshments available.

All money raised will be going to schools run by Project Gambia, a charity for which, friend of our school and author, Neil Griffiths is a Trustee.

We hope to sponsor some children through a full year of education in these charity run schools. We hope each class will sponsor a child, if we raise sufficient funds.

(£2.00 from each AMCPS pupil would provide a full year's education for 15 infant children through [Project Gambia](https://www.projectgambia200.com/))



**£5.00
entry
fee**

To apply for this event, please visit [ParentPay](https://www.parentpay.com/)

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Find out more about the charity,
by visiting this link:

<https://www.projectgambia200.com/>

Can you complete the course and earn your medal?

Did you do it last year?
Can you beat last year's time?

Come along as a family and enjoy the day together!