

House Point Cup Weekly Winners

The House Points earned this week were...

Kennet 313pts

Avebury 312pts

Silbury 309pts &

Ridgeway 309pts

Wow a tie for third! Well done to all!



Nursery News

It is getting very Christmassy now. We have been preparing our garden for the winter months ahead and have been busy feeding the birds in this colder weather. We love being outside, learning about nature and the changes in the seasons.



Golden Book

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

Chloe and Paris (Ash)
Ethan and Sienna (Oak)
Aurora and Cooper (1Elm)
Chloe and Imogen (1Holly)
Rhiannon and Jack (2Beech)
Harper and Lily (2Hazel)
Eloise and Ira (3Alder)
Abiha and Alexandra (3Birch)
Marsh and Lorna (4Chestnut)
Oscar, Julia and Jared (4Hornbeam)
Isabelle and Oliver W (5Rowan)
Kayla and Sofia (5Sycamore)
Kiara and Hugo (6Juniper)
Ava A and Kiara (6Willow)



Well done to all of you!

THANK YOU



From Mrs Healy, Mrs Turner and the children from The School Council

A huge thank you to everyone who generously donated toys for the Swindon Toy Appeal at Christmas. Some of our School Councillors helped Mrs Cunningham deliver them, ready for distribution to families around Swindon.



Repeated item...

Dates for next week are:

11 th December 2023	Acorn Nursery Nativity - 9.30am (tickets will be allocated)
11 th December 2023	Year 1 Christmas Songs (1 Show) - 2pm (tickets will be allocated)
12 th December 2023	Reception Nativity Show 1 - 9.15am (tickets will be allocated)
12 th December 2023	Reception Nativity Show 2 - 2pm (tickets will be allocated)
13 th December 2023	Year 2 Nativity Show 1 - 9.15am (tickets will be allocated)
13 th December 2023	Year 2 Nativity Show 2 - 2pm (tickets will be allocated)
14 th December 2023	Christmas Lunch - all age groups - please book on ParentPay
15 th December 2023	Carol Service for KS2 and parents - 9.15am Christ The Servant Church.
15 th December 2023	Last Day - School holidays start at 1.30pm (4.30pm for Sunshine Club)



Please note: Last week of term:

- **Nativities** will be subject to the usual limited ticket allocations. Information has been sent home!
- **The Year 1 Christmas Songs** could be outside. Details will be finalised depending on weather forecasts and the strength of pupil voices... watch out for more information from the classes, but be prepared that you may need to bring a coat to this event and there will only be one performance.
- **Thursday 14th - Christmas Lunch** day is for all children. There will be no Jackets or Grab and Go Options on that day. **Please either select the Christmas Dinner or send your child with a packed lunch that day.** (Next Page)
- **Thursday 14th - Christmas Jumpers and Parties.** - Children are allowed to wear **Christmas Jumpers and non-uniform** on the last Thursday of term, to coincide with Christmas Lunches and Class parties.
- **Friday 15th** - The KS2 **Carol Service** is confirmed as **9.15am** in the Church of Christ the Servant, Abbey Meads. **Children can wear Christmas Jumpers on top of normal School Uniform** on the last day of term.
- **The last day of term** is 15/12/2023 and the first day back is normal times on Thursday 04/01/2024.

AMCPS Children Excelling in Sport!

Well done to these children on their recent successes. We are all very proud of you both!

Sienna won gold medal at the Welsh Cup in Swansea at the weekend.

It was a Rhythmic Gymnastics Competition for groups, held in Swansea called the Cymru Cup. She competed with her new group, The Esprit Diamonds for the first time, and won her category of level 3 under 12.

This weekend Vincent participated in a Global Taekwondo International Tournament, and achieved an amazing 3rd place and a Bronze medal.



Brazil comes to Abbey Meads

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their Brazilian Jiu-jitsu masterclass.

The afternoon was lots of fun, entertaining and practical - the staff also took a few self-defence tips away with them too!

After a brief introduction, and question and answer session, Lucas, ably assisted by Tom, showed us some impressive moves. Their demonstration 'throw downs' were greeted with a chorus of 'oohs' and 'aahs' from the audience. The children learned some moves of their own, and had a chance

to try them out with a partner and we are sure lots wanted to try them on their siblings too. A huge thank you to Beatriz and her mum for recommending the activity as part of our Amazon Explorers topic.



Snap Bands IMPORTANT PLEASE READ

On Thursday next week we will be having Christmas Lunch and each child in the main school will receive a Christmas Snap band, like the ones pictured here. →

These are the bands that turn in to bracelets when you 'snap' them around your wrist.

As with all Christmas party things (for example small pieces that can be swallowed in crackers) it is impossible to guarantee complete safety of all products. These snap bands are safe on arrival, but are not designed to be chewed or have the metal insert exposed or removed.

Please watch out for them coming home, monitor them over time and make your own decisions on when their use/appeal/condition has come to an end. Please remember to look NEXT THURSDAY.



Time is running out...

Please make sure you have applied if your child needs a place for September!

Have you considered
Abbey Meads Primary School
for your child?

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NOW and for
September 2024

As a result of our desire to have single age classes, we are in a unique position this year and currently have some space in Reception.
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Admissions Deadline approaches...

If you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, your child is due to start Primary School in September 2024 and you now need to apply for your child's School place.

Please note it is your responsibility to apply for a school place for your child.

How can I apply?

Simply complete the online application form which will be available on Swindon Borough Council's website 24 hours a day, 7 days a week via the link below. **It must be completed and submitted by midnight 15th January 2024.**

https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20071/school_places_and_admissions/427/primary_school_places_and_admissions

If you know someone who would like a tour of the school to apply for a place at Abbey Meads, please ask them to call the office.

Even if you are in our Nursery or have brothers and sisters in the school - you still have to apply.





SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CYCLE SESSIONS!

Thursday 21 December 2023

9AM - 12PM - CHRISTMAS PROGRESSION PARTY!

This session is perfect for those riders who have just learnt to ride a bike or who would like to build confidence with new essential skills. We'll play on-bike games, have competitions and, of course, the prize box will make an appearance! *Riders must be able to ride without stabilisers.* This session will be playground based and we'll confirm location nearer the time. Prizes for best festive dress and/or decorated bike! Special Christmas price of £20 per rider.

1PM - 4PM - CHRISTMAS ADVENTURE RIDE!

This session is ideal for those riders confident on two wheels. We'll ride about 10 miles, taking in festive sights with the usual challenge competitions on the way. Drop off and pick up point to be confirmed and we'll stop for snacks and drinks on the way. Prizes for best festive dress and/or decorated bike! Special Christmas price of only £25 per rider.



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CHRISTMAS DINNER MENU

Thursday 14th December 2023

Roast Turkey and Cocktail Sausage (G S/D)
or
Cauliflower, Broccoli & Leek Bake (G M D)

Served with
Roast Potatoes
Sage & Onion Stuffing Ball (G S)
Batton Carrots
Garden Peas
Brussel Sprouts
Gravy (G)

Christmas Cookie (G E)

Please order the main dinner or vegetarian on ParentPay for this day
Jacket Potatoes and Grab & Go are NOT available on this day

Please note the menu for the last week of term is slightly different.

(4th reminder)

Everyone wishing to order Christmas Lunch (Main or Veg) can do so in the normal way, but there are **no** jacket potatoes or Grab 'n' Go options that day.

Please call the office if unsure.

Anyone not wishing to join us for Christmas Lunch will need to send a packed lunch into school please.

