



House Point Cup Weekly Winners

The House Points earned this week were...

Ridgeway	321pts
Silbury	312pts
Avebury	309pts
Kennet	308pts



Well done to all for collecting so many points!

Easter Camps etc.

If you are looking for things to do over Easter, we have advertised Easter Activity Camps for the last two weeks.

Look back at our previous newsletters here:



[AMCPS NEWS](https://www.abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk/newsletters-and-letters)
(Parents tab of our website)



Actual URL for those unable to hyperlink...

<https://www.abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk/newsletters-and-letters>

Uniform

Thank you to the members of FOAMS who took home lost property and donated uniform to wash and prepare it for the Great Uniform Give Away this week.

Anyone wishing to donate can do so via ParentPay but we hope all those who made use of the service found it helpful in getting to the end of the school year without having to buy new uniform.



Last Day of Term 4 - Happy Easter

Today is the last day of Term 4.

We hope you have an enjoyable Easter Holiday and look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 19th April 2021.



If any child tests positive before 3pm on Sunday, please email the school, so we can track and trace for the government. admin@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk

FOAMS has organised a colouring competition for children, please see page 2 and the other attachment to your weekly email for details. As we move further in to the Government's 'Road Map', we will inform you of different activities and events as we are allowed reintroduce. Whilst it has been a difficult year, please remember on your return that face coverings and social distancing (even in fresh air) are essential around our school buildings, to help keep everyone at school safe and class bubbles open.

IMPORTANT! Tax Free Childcare

If you make a payment to school via Tax Free Childcare, it is really difficult to track the payments. Please make sure you inform the office of your code and email admin@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk whenever you make a payment. Please state how much you are allocating to breakfast club and after school club per child so that we can ensure the payment is credited to your account correctly.



Parent Consultation Evenings (PCEs)

Parent Consultation Evening for either 27th April OR 28th April OR 29th April 2021.

As you already know, these will be via video conferencing.



All bookings are now closed and appointments have been allocated.

The link to your meeting will arrive 28 hours before the event, please check to make sure you get that link.

If you need urgent help, please call the office before 4.30pm.

The school office contact details are admin@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk and 01793 723239



Nursery News

This week we have been learning about Easter. We made our own Easter nests; we went on an egg hunt and hope the Easter bunny will be visiting us at the weekend.

It has been a great week to end the term.

Stay safe and we will see you again on

Monday 19th April, when we will have many

new children starting with us in our Conker class.



Times Tables Rock Stars Battle!

Calling ALL children in Years 2 to 6.



All activity on Times Tables Rock Stars, between 8am and 5pm from 19th to 30th April, will count towards your individual, class and school total in our **Blue Kite TTRS Battle!**

Keep a look out for more information in Term 5!

A letter to children from the Secretary of State for Education

<https://dfemedia.blog.gov.uk/2021/03/26/a-letter-to-young-people-from-gavin-williamson-mp-secretary-of-state-for-education/>



Bag2School



Please see letter attached to the weekly newsletter email.



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@bag2schooluk

www.bag2school.com

Our next **Bag2School** collection has been arranged for

Thursday 6th May 2021
before 9am

in the Community Room

(please use outside entrance by staff car park)

Any questions - please ask Tracy Badger in the School Office

www.bag2school.com

Some Key Dates coming up...

19th April - First day Term 5.

19-30 April - Times Table Rock Stars Battle.

27th April - Yr3 Roman Baths Visit (virtual)

27/28/29 April - PCEs - *see page 1*

3rd May - May Day - School CLOSED

6th May - Bag2School Donations day.

11th May - Football Tournament 1pm - (Girls)

18th May - Class Photos

24th May - Football Tournament 4.30pm

28th May - Last Day term 5

7th June - TDD - School Closed

8th June - First day of Term 6

8th June - Shakespeare Day Yr 6 (Virtual Globe)

21st July - Rock and Pop Music Roadshow

22nd July - Yr6 Celebration / Activity Day

23rd July -1.30pm -**LAST DAY OF 2020-2021**

Summer Holidays



Case rate in Swindon: important information

Please see below the case rate information

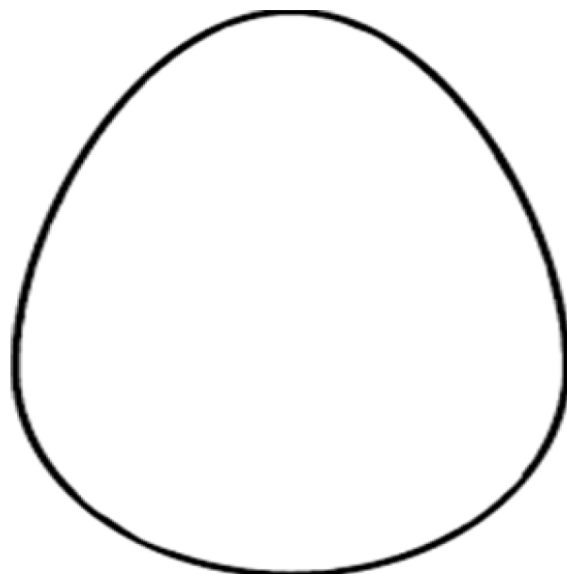
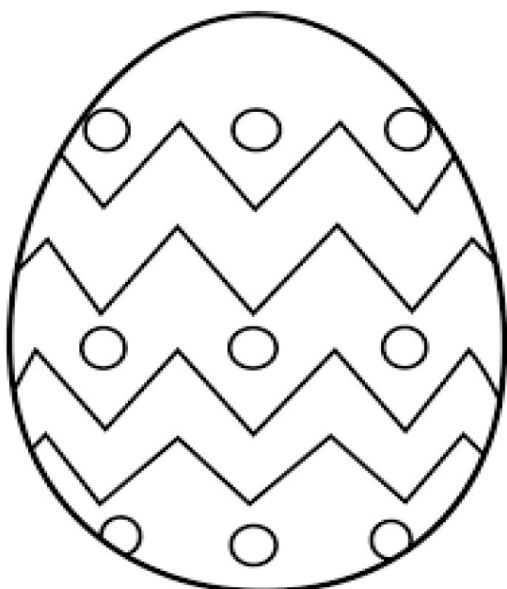
Age Range	10 to 14 (per 100K of population)	15 to 19 (per 100K of population)
Swindon	160	102
South West	61	46

Do you have teenage children?

Take note!

Easter Colouring Competition

Decorate an Easter egg, or design your own to be in with a chance of winning an Easter egg! To enter, send a picture to our Facebook page, **FOAMS- Friends of Abbey Meads School** or email a copy to foams@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk - £1 is payable via ParentPay and there will be 2 winners in each class. Closing date is Sunday 18th April 2021.





Anti-Littering Poster Competition

We are pleased to say that Isla-Rose in 1Chestnut was a winner in the Anti-Littering Poster Competition for Haydon Wick Parish Council recently. See her here with her winning design. She is a famous artist now!



Holiday Fun for all the Family

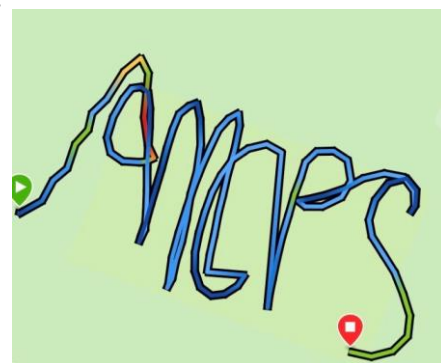
This Easter, get active and creative all at the same time. Just like us, why not try creating your own GPS picture, while on a run, walk, scooter or cycle?

You can record your design using a GPS device on a Smart phone App, such as Strava, or on a fitness watch. The top tip is to keep it simple:

a stick man, an Easter egg or even your name.

Send your masterpieces to:

admin@abbeymeads.swindon.sch.uk and you could be in for a prize.



Year 3 Retell the Story of Easter

Year 3 have worked incredibly hard over the last week to put together a show that retells the Christian story of Easter. The performance includes songs, great acting, detailed narrating and we definitely have some stars for the future. You can see it by clicking this link: [Vimeo site](https://vimeo.com/user124261893) or by typing in this URL:

<https://vimeo.com/user124261893>



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Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Blue Kite Battle of the Bands

April 19th - 30th 8am-5pm

Every correct answer in **any** game is worth one point.

Every point counts.