

Abbot Beyne School  
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# Student Newsletter

Friday 5th July 2024



# Key Stage 3 Update



## Top Positive Points: 24th - 30th June

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
1st Alice W	1st Summer H	1st Derek S
2nd Cherrie W	2nd Sophie D	2nd = Corey H Amelia H Eleanor M
3rd = Harry K Jannat MN David P Matthew W	3rd = Amanda D Zoe M Jasmine S	3rd = Maddie B Liliana H Hiba I

Well done to all!

## Area Athletics Competition



Selected students who had performed well at the Burton Athletics competition at Shobnall had the chance to represent East Staffs at the Area Athletics in Tamworth last week. Abbot Beyne School had six students competing and three students ended up bringing home medals.

Well done to Ciera S, Summer H and Grace F who won medals in the 200m and High Jump, and congratulations to Saif M, Charlie B and Denis N for earning their place at the competition.

## Changes from next year

Mr Tickle had an assembly with each year group last week to highlight what has gone well at school this year and what changes will be happening when we return in September. Changes to form time, detentions and negative points were all highlighted. You will be reminded of the changes in September.

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## Hot Weather

Stay safe during warm hot weather:

- Bring a bottle to school
- Drink plenty of fluids, preferably water
- Apply suncream in the morning
- Wear a hat when outside in the sun
- Do not be tempted to cool down in the river. There are many hidden dangers in rivers and lakes. Only swim / paddle at places where there is a lifeguard on duty.

## Activity Day

Activity Day is Wednesday 17th July. All Key Stage 3 students have received an email asking what you would like to do on that day. If you are not going to Alton Towers then there are 10 activities to choose from including: Music, Cookery, Ceramics, Textiles and Mindfulness.

**MAKE SURE YOU COMPLETE THE FORM TO MAKE YOUR CHOICE**

# Key Stage 4 Update

## Positive Points Update

Year 9 positive points so far - 74666  
Year 10 positive points so far - 67371  
Well done and keep up the good work.

### Uniform Expectancy

School Blazer  
Shirt and Tie  
Black Trousers or Skirt  
Black Shoes

No hoodies or jackets are allowed to be worn in school.

If you are unsure of the full uniform list, please see our [Uniform Policy](#).



A reminder to Year 10 students that work experience is only one week away.

Ensure you have entered your placement details on Grofar.

## Year 9 students

Well done to Year 9 on a fantastic first week at Linnell, you have settled in very well. Just a few reminders-

- **Use the door near L1 to enter the building after lunch and break.**
- **Any First aid/illness report to the main office, not the LRC.**
- **No students to be in the corridors at breaks and lunches, either be in the canteen or outside in the Year 9 area.**

Alton Towers reward trip Thursday 11th July 2024. Well done to all students who are able to attend.



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## Wednesday 17th July - Activity Day

Wednesday is Activity Day. Some students will be going to Alton Towers for the day as a reward trip. Students who are still in school will be given a choice of different activities to undertake for the day. These will include, cookery, music workshops, rounders, wellbeing activities, textiles, ceramics and X-Box with even more to choose from. Students staying in school will get an email soon with a form to fill out to select the activity they want to do.

## Thursday 18th July - Sports Day

Thursday is Sports Day. All students will meet at Shobnall Athletics Track in the morning and take part in a range of athletics events to see which house will win the House Cup.

Sixth Form students will come round to form time in the next week to sign everybody up to an event. Everyone needs to take part.



It can be difficult to cope with everything going on at once in our lives but support is available to you in school or from other services.

Shout – 24/7 text service - <https://giveusashout.org/>  
 Young Minds - <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/>  
 The Mix - <https://www.themix.org.uk/>

### Virtual Work Experience

No one can ever have too much work experience. SpringPod is a great platform for finding virtual work experience opportunities.

<https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience/search>

### University Rankings..

This is a really interesting tool to see what the rankings are for universities depending on the subject area you want to pursue:

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/ng-interactive/2023/sep/09/the-guardian-university-guide-2024-the-rankings>

### Upcoming Events

Monday 8th July – Assembly

w.c.8th July – Geography field trips

Monday 15th July – Assembly

Tuesday 16th July –  
Community Sports Day

Wed 17th – Fri 19th July –  
London Trip

Friday 19th July – Term ends



### Awards and Recognition

**Sixth Form Students of the Week**

**Communications** - Samantha M

**Enterprise** - Katie H-E

**Innovation** - Scarlett L

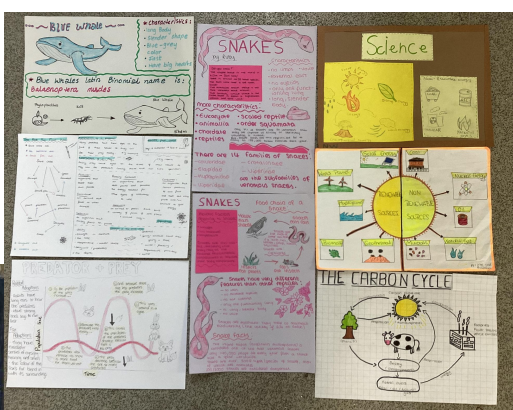
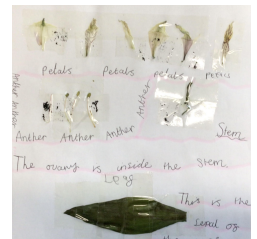
**Performance** - Anya A

**Social Studies** - Alina A-A

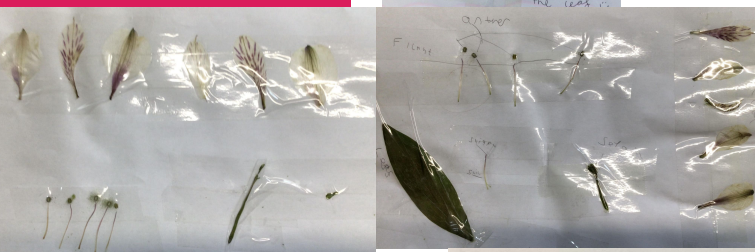


# Innovation

**Year 7 Flower Dissection** - Here are some really well thought out flower dissections. Josh P, Yasmin P, Ethan G and Zoe S



**STEM Challenge**  
See the next slide for pictures and more information

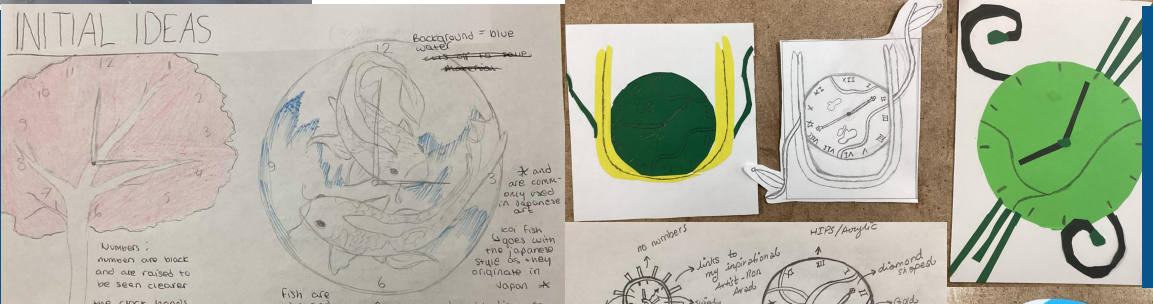


**Year 8 Textiles**  
Students have completed their denim drawstring bags made from upcycled jeans. Students have used block printing and different sewing techniques to their designs. Then they used the sewing machine to construct their bag.

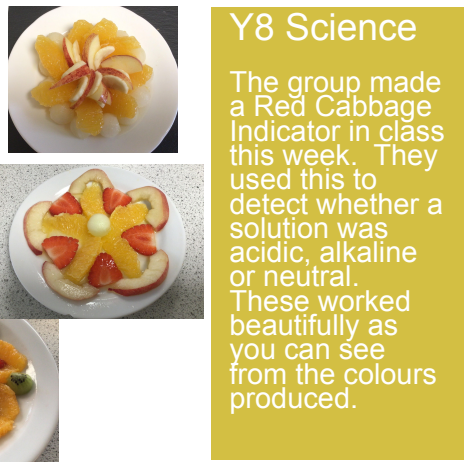


Students have been working on food chains and food webs and produced some great work.

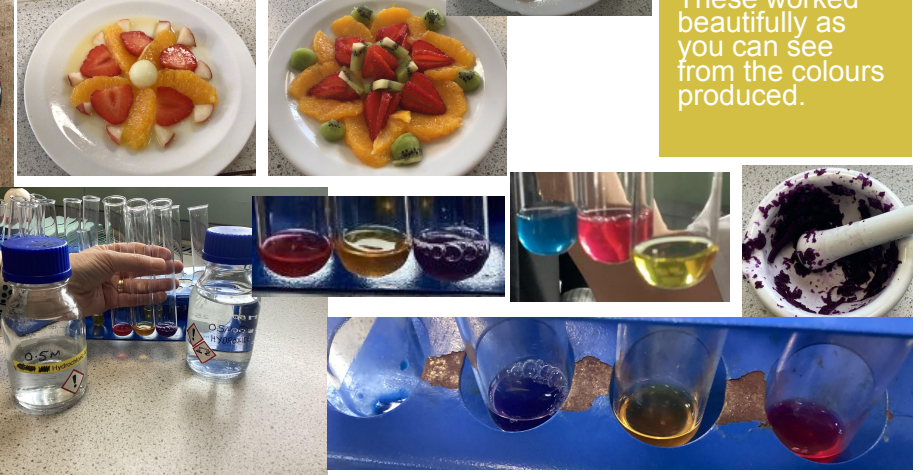
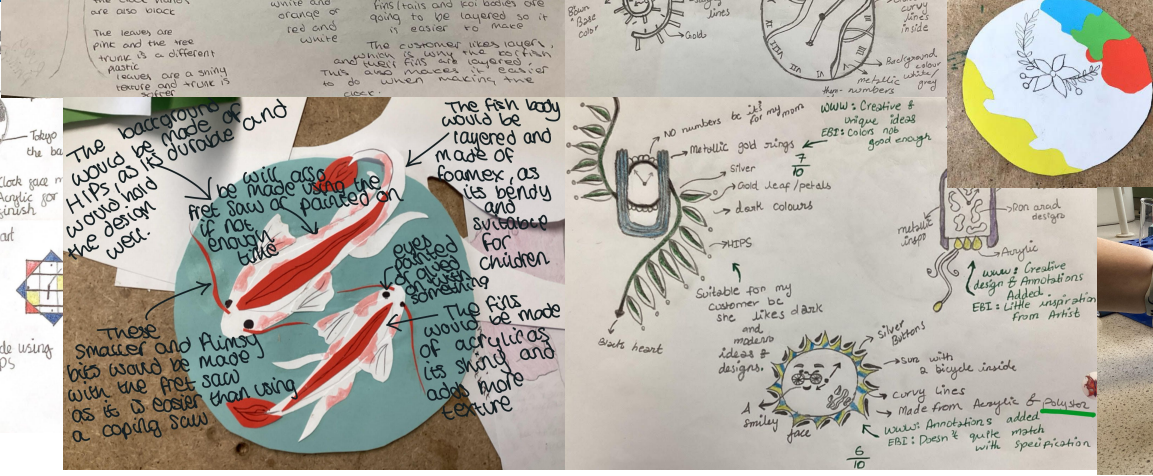
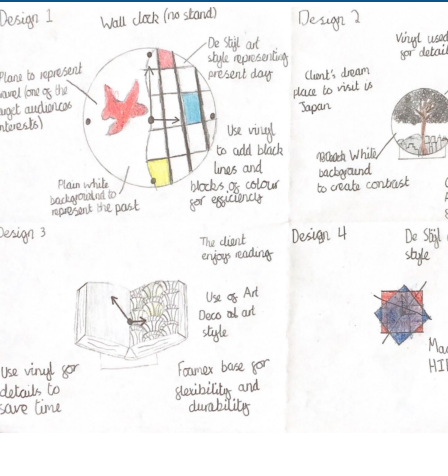
**Year 9 Technology**  
A selection of Year 9 creative clock initial designs and development work using sketch models. The concept is to combine a clients needs and likes with the key features of a selected design movement/artist/designer.



**Year 10 Food GCSE**  
Students have been learning how to segment an orange and prepare fruits in the correct presentation techniques.



**Y8 Science**  
The group made a Red Cabbage Indicator in class this week. They used this to detect whether a solution was acidic, alkaline or neutral. These worked beautifully as you can see from the colours produced.



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# Innovation

## STEM Challenge 2024

On Thursday 27th June, we took 12 students from Years 8 and 9 to compete in the STEM challenge at Leicester Gateway College. Students took part in a range of activities from building a car, programming a lego robot, exploring police software to generate suspect identity and carrying out diagnostics to diagnose a patient. Jasmine S and Bobby H gained a runner up award in their activity. All the students had a great day and were excellent representatives for the school.

Students involved - Dylan M, Henley W, Joseph B, Kody H, Aleks S, Oliver H, Jasmine S, Bobby H, Freya S-D, Isabelle L M, Betty B, Piran A,



Me and my group enjoyed constructing cars, diagnosing patients and programming robots. Overall I really enjoyed meeting new people, constructing cars and programming robots.  
Isabelle L-M

I definitely enjoyed the STEM programme. There were many different activities that involved deep thinking and lots of learning. I did the robotics, diagnostics and the electric car. My favourite was the robotics because I'm interested in doing programming, especially as a career. I liked interacting with other people - it made me feel more confident, but it felt more forced compared to chatting to people naturally.  
Freya S-D

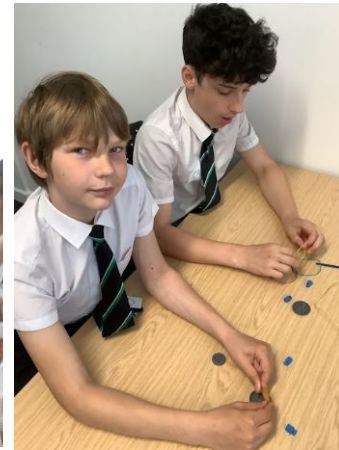
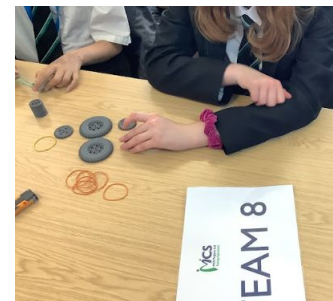
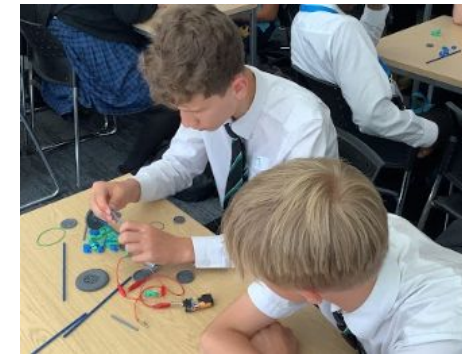
Me and my group took part in looking at a police software called E-fit where you were able to create a person's identity through what the victim can remember on what the criminal looked like. I enjoyed this experience as I was able to work with new people and try new activities I had never done before.  
Bobby H

I enjoyed the STEM programme, the robotics, car construction, and E-fit activities. My favourite was E-fit because I found it interesting and very fun to do as it made me think and I liked the problem solving on how to work the programme. I also enjoyed working with people from other schools, as it was a challenge and fun to combine our knowledge.  
Jasmine S

I did really have a good day and the competition was nice. As well I improved my teamwork and communication skills, especially since we were paired with other people from different schools. Overall I think the experience was very good and should carry on.  
Dylan M

The STEM challenge was very good because it gave students a chance to socialise with people they don't know while doing fun activities. This is good because it builds social skills and encourages teamwork.  
Henley W

I loved the STEM challenge as not only was it challenging but it was also fun. I found working with people from other schools to be a pleasant surprise as they presented different perspectives and views that made the challenges that much easier. I found the STEM challenge to be very exciting and I would definitely recommend it to others. Thank you for giving me this opportunity.  
Kody H



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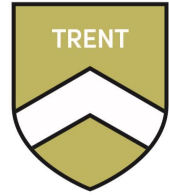
# Innovation

## Year 4 come to Abbot Beyne Science

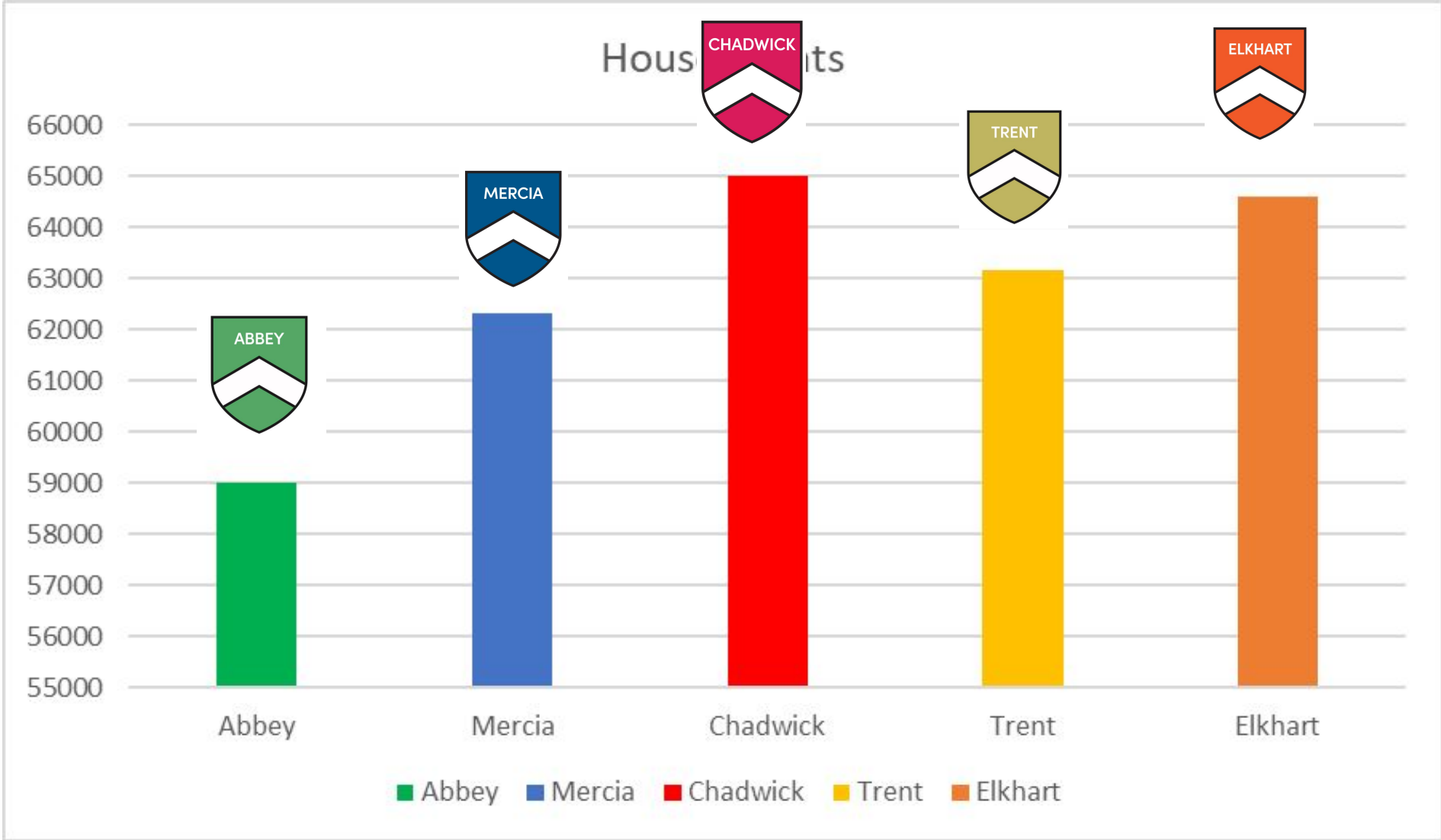
Last week we had the pleasure of hosting our, very excited, amazing Year 4 students from our feeder primary schools. They spent the lesson learning about contact forces, specifically the reason why some things float and some things sink. They were challenged to create a floating object from a 30g ball of plasticine that could hold the most metal washers. The winning amount from all the schools came from Holy Trinity with a whopping 83 washers. Next they has to make a paper copter and see who could make it float to the floor the slowest. The templates of these were given to the primary teacher to take back to carry out some investigations. A very well done to you all and we hope you had a great time.



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**House points competition**  
 The house points competition is coming to an exciting end. There are only 9 points between Chadwick and Elkhart! Which house can win the final push?



LEADERSHIP

TEAM



# The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Click on image below to see why you should do the DofE



Calling all Year 8 students. It is time to think about starting your DofE adventure that will begin in Year 9.

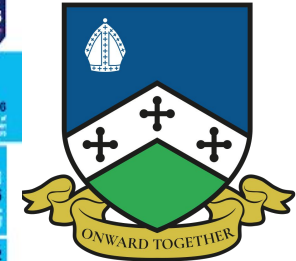
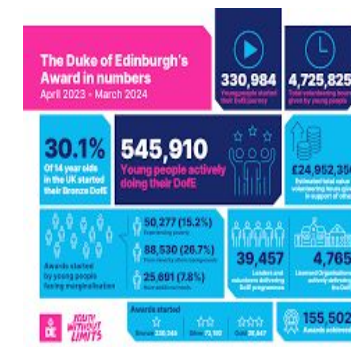
If you are looking for a new challenge, want to push yourself out of your comfort zone or boost your CV then this award is for you.

If you are thinking about doing the award then please contact Mr Lynch via email at [j.lynch@abbotbeyneschool.co.uk](mailto:j.lynch@abbotbeyneschool.co.uk)

He will get the information booklet out to you.

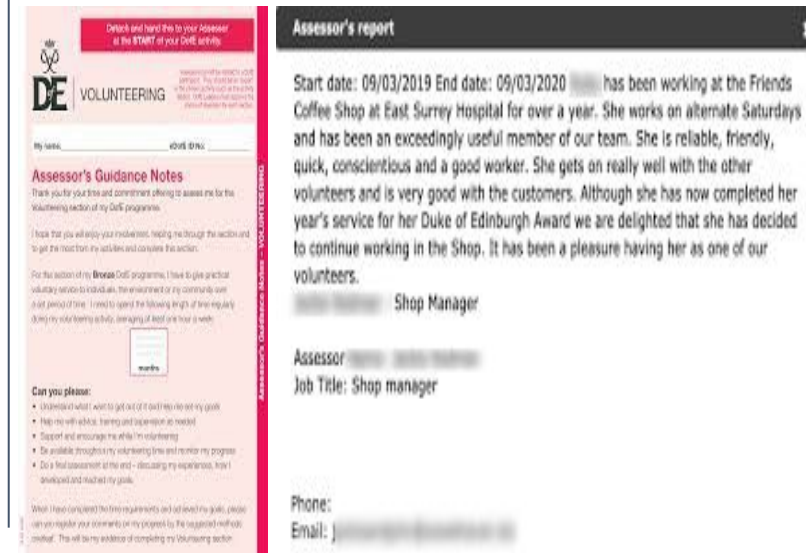


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Do not forget to keep adding your evidence on to the eDofE site. Without all four sections complete, you can not gain the award. The easy part is the expeditions, getting the assessors reports in for your physical, volunteering and skill section are just as important.

You can download the app for your iPad or use the internet to access the site.



# The Bridge Community Hub

We have created The Bridge Community Hub to help support families at our school and people in our local community. If you require any support then please contact [bridgecommunityhub@abbotbeyneschool.co.uk](mailto:bridgecommunityhub@abbotbeyneschool.co.uk)

We have a growing stock of PE uniform, shirts, trousers, skirts, blouses and blazers. If you would like to swap uniform that no longer fits then please contact the email address above to arrange a swap or if you have any to donate then please get in touch.



Thank you for your donations towards our food bank and uniform shop this month.

Mr Stafford

Mrs Lynch

Mr Clarke

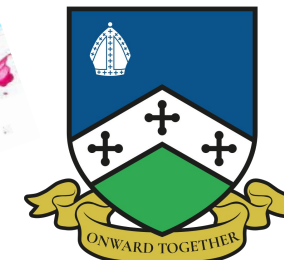
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Tesco Express  
Brizlincote Valley



<https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/guides-to-support-and-services/seeking-help-for-a-mental-health-problem/where-to-start/>

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## Bridge Community Hub

At Abbot Beyne School we are always looking at ways to support our local community and our school community. We are currently in the process of creating a food bank and uniform shop in school. This will be on offer to our students, families or people in our local community who may need the support.

We are asking for your help if you have any old uniform that you might be able to donate to the school, items we would be very interested in

- Blazers
- Skirts
- Trousers

We are also after donations to help bulk out our food cupboard to help create food parcels to be distributed in the local area. If you are able to donate then please do so, it doesn't matter how big or small the donation, all will be appreciated.



- Toiletries
- Tinned food
- Pasta
- Soup



Anyone wishing to donate can drop the items at either office.

# Enrichment

Mr Stafford, Miss Stonebridge and Ms Berrisford took all the Year 10 Geographers to Carding Mill Valley last week so they could practice the fieldwork techniques they will be asked about in their GCSE exam next Summer.

Students measure the width and depth of the river at various places, studied the sediment at the bottom and took velocity measurements using a dog biscuit. Students were exceptionally well behaved and enjoyed an ice cream at the end of their day.



**Geography Fieldwork -  
Carding Mill Valley**



**STEM Challenge Day**

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Selected students from Years 8 and 9 spent the day taking part in the STEM Challenge Day at Gateway College in Leicester. The day was attended by lots of different schools from around the area, and students took part in activities such as robotics, programming, medical diagnostics and police photo-fit. These challenges all linked classroom STEM theories to practical applications in real life.

## Enrichment Experience:

- To undertake practical fieldwork in an outdoor setting

## Venue:

- Carding Mill Valley, Shropshire

## Students:

- Year 10

## Enrichment Experience:

- To undertake practical fieldwork in a setting away from school

## Venue:

- Gateway College, Leics

## Students:

- Years 8 & 9

# Attendance - Changes to the Fixed Penalty Fines and Holiday Fines



From September the rules are changing for attendance/holidays and the ways that schools are expected to act.

This will mean that we will be stricter on holidays from September and will have to consider a fixed penalty notice for both unauthorised holidays and for students with consistently poor attendance. Penalty notices will need to be considered for children with 10 sessions (equivalent to 5 days) of unauthorised absences over a 10 school week period. Each instance will be looked at individually.

**For a first offence the Penalty Notice fine would be:**  
**- £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days, rising to**  
**-£160 per parent, per child if paid between 21-28 days.**

**For the second offence, within 3 years of the first penalty notice being issued, the penalty notice fine would be:**

**-£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days.**

**Following the second offence, every new offence within the 3 year period , will be prosecuted under the Education Act 1996. If the prosecution takes place, the maximum fine is £1000 per parent, per child.**

# Library News

E-Platform Top Readers  
for  
June 2024

Abigail W (Y7)  
Destiny H (Y7)  
Millie G (Y7)

Evershed LRC Top  
Borrowers for June 2024

Emma G (Y8)  
Olek G (Y7)  
Hamdaan A (Y8)



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## Library News



Our new Scholastic Book Club is up  
and running!

Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/abbot-beyne/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books  
and order online.

For every £1 you spend on this month's Book  
Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic  
Rewards.

Pick up a leaflet from the  
LRC!

This month we have  
been celebrating...

Plastic Free July

Thank you to our Duke of  
Edinburgh volunteers who  
have worked throughout the  
year volunteering in the LRC!



Thank you to all  
our fantastic  
student librarians  
who are working  
hard at break  
times and lunch  
times!



### Tips to inspire writing for pleasure...



- Read stories aloud – absorb the shape of a story and hear the rhythm of the words
- Get a sketchbook or notebook to begin to plan your ideas
- Use questions to start the writing process – to help with creating your characters
- Use a story starter – something has just happened or is about to happen...
- Remember it's ok to rewrite

## Library News

As we come towards the end of the year can you please remember to return your library books!

Look out for a reminder email if your book is overdue!

If you have a book that you want to keep for the summer holidays please bring the book in and it can be renewed!

Also don't forget to come and browse for your summer reading!



### Tips to inspire reading throughout the summer...

- Join your local library's Summer Reading Challenge
- Dive into Summer-themed books – see the summer displays in the LRC
- Enjoy an outdoor reading adventure – in the garden, at the park or on the beach
- Use travelling time to read – in the car or on the train or plane
- Explore local literary events and book festivals
- Newspapers, magazines, comics and postcards are all ways of incorporating reading



# Abbot Beyne School Alumni

Owen Raw (20) a former Abbot Beyne School student, has recently been selected to play hockey for Wales at the Eurohockey U21 Championships, in Lausanne, between the 15th and 21st July. Owen is currently studying Architecture at Loughborough University. He recently participated in the Warwickshire team who won the Men's senior championship.



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# Kings Bromley Show - 13th July 2024



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## KINGS BROMLEY SHOW

**SATURDAY 13TH JULY 2024**

KINGSBROMLEYSHOW.CO.UK

CRAWLEY LANE, DE13 7JF

### MAIN ARENA ENTERTAINMENT

## HULLABALOO

**A NEW HULLABALOO**

Hullabaloo is a joyously vibrant, immersive outdoor musical experience with a participatory edge that blends dazzling circus performances, evocative music and playful dances. This could be your only chance to see this in this area - make sure not to miss it!

## HOUSE OF MASH

**A STAGE OF CHANGE**

ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

"VISION TO THE SHOW WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN IN AN ARRAY OF AERIAL, ACROBATIC, COORDINATION AND BALANCE ACTIVITIES IN THE CIRCUS WORKSHOPS AND MEET THE ARTISTS AS THEY GO ON WALKABOUT AROUND THE SHOW FIELD."

The House of MASH will be encouraging participation in fun community sports as a means of connecting individuals of all ages and backgrounds - think tug-of-war, egg and spoon, three-legged and relay races.

"DREAM WAY TOO BIG AND FORGET NOT YOUR PURPOSE... BUT LIVE EVERY DAY LIKE YOUR LIFE IS A CIRCUS!"

Throughout the afternoon, audiences will be enchanted by captivating performances which tell the story of our ever-changing weather and landscape. With a completed show and full soundtrack this musical circus will engage absolutely everyone.

**Timetable for the day:**

- 12:00 - Meet & Greet the Cast
- 12:35 - Performance 1 - The Arrival
- 12:55 - Circus Workshop
- 13:15 - Performance 2 - The Eruption
- 13:40 - Cast Walk-Around
- 14:15 - Performance 3 - The Hullabaloo
- 14:25 - Community Sports
- 15:30 - Cast Walk-Around
- 16:15 - Performance 4 - The Rebuild
- 16:35 - Circus Workshop
- 16:55 - Performance 5 - Patsy's Picnic Party Parade

## WHAT'S ON

### MAIN ARENA ENTERTAINMENTS

#### LIVE MUSIC STAGE

- COMPETITIVE CLASS MARQUEE
- ALL DAY FOOD
- FALCONRY DISPLAY
- GIN & COCKTAIL BARS
- ICE CREAMS
- BAR BUS
- FUN DOG SHOW
- CHILDRENS AMUSEMENTS
- TRADE & ARTISAN CRAFT MARKET
- BUNGEE TRAMPOLINE
- WOOD TURNING DISPLAY
- CLASSIC CARS

### LIVE MUSIC STAGE

**12.00**

**SIMON DAVIES** wowed the judges on ITV's The Voice in 2018 with his rendition of Harry Styles' song 'Sign of the Times' receiving millions of YouTube views. The now legendary Sir Tom Jones served as Simon's mentor. His soaring falsetto, soulful voice and soothing playing will captivate audiences of all ages with his unique sound.

**13.40**

**ELEANOR MATTLEY** is an internationally acclaimed vocalist, based in Leicestershire. This year, she'll be bringing her one-woman rock 'n' roll show to Kings Bromley, her versatile voice will have the crowds singing! Featuring toe-tapping hits from Chuck Berry, Connie Francis, Elvis and more.

**15.30**

**JONO HORNBY** is a Burton based guitarist and singer. Not your average acoustic player, self-described as acoustic with umph! Playing anything from AC-DC to Queen and everything in between! He'll have you dancing and singing with his upbeat acoustic style.

**17.20**

**THE FORGERY** are a seriously good time rock/pop covers band based in Lichfield. Professional musicianship from a combined 76 years live music experience and an absolutely great time is guaranteed! With music from the last eight decades, the Forgery's extensive repertoire caters to all tastes!

### ALSO AT THE SHOW...

## MERCER FALCONRY

"I KNEW FROM THE DAY I STEPPED INTO THE WORLD OF BIRDS OF PREY, IT WAS OBVIOUS THIS WAS WHAT I WAS MEANT TO DO IN LIFE".

After gaining valuable experience carrying out a variety of tasks in large falconry centres, Dan has created Mercer Falconry to concentrate on providing entertaining displays coupled with an educational message.

Each bird flown in the display has their unique personality and flying style, showcasing the true skills of these aerial predators in a variety of ways. His educational yet entertaining commentary makes for an unforgettable show.

His static display of perched birds and educational talks offer a chance to see the birds up close and to learn more about the different species. Coupled with activities like identifying the different species, as well as identifying feathers, dissecting owl pellets and having a go at the falconers knot!

Come along and meet Dan and the birds:

Static Display and Educational Talks:	Flying Displays:
12:00, 14:10, 16:00	13:40 and 15:30

The day-to-day life of all the Mercer Falconry birds can be seen on their YouTube channel and social media @mercerfalconry.

### PRICES:

Adults - £8	Society member - Free with valid membership card, inc one child under 16
Child under 16 - £4	
Child under 5 - Free	
Family ticket - £20 (Two adults + three children)	

Free parking

Crawley Lane, DE13 7JF

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