



Abbot Beyne School
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Student Newsletter

Friday 13th December 2024



Key Stage 3 Update



Top Positive Points: 2nd - 8th December

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
1st = Olivia C Sehar HN	1st Cherrie W	1st Summer H
2nd = Precious M Eden S	2nd = Kaitlyn K Kawnain M David P Ashley R Liv W	2nd = Nawal AF Angel C Kael E Grace F Ethan PW Freya SD



Well done to all



House Captain Assembly



Senior House captains from Year 12 gave Evershed students an assembly this week to update on recent House competitions and the overall standings for House points.



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Muddy Shoes

The grass around school is often muddy and wet at this time of year. Make sure you aren't ruining your uniform and shoes and are not bringing mud into school. Keep off the grass areas behind the yard at Evershed and keep to the path when walking to and from Linnell.

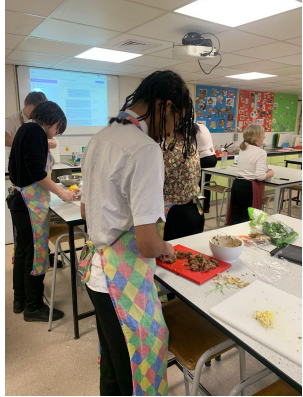


Christmas Film Night



Over 100 students attended our festive Christmas Film night on Thursday night watching Home Alone to get in the festive spirit. It was a great event organised by the House Captains with the help of the Sixth Form Leadership Team.

Key Stage 4 Update



Year 11 getting some practice in before GCSE mocks start for their Food Tech coursework.



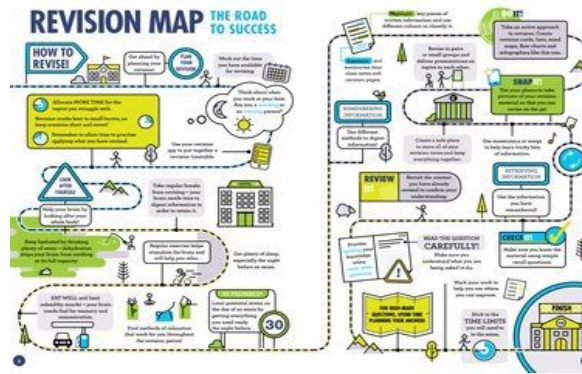
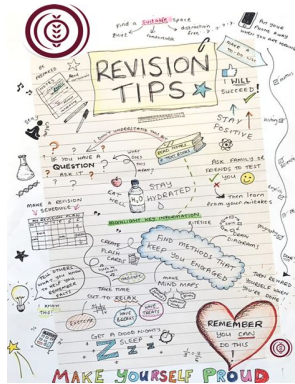
Positive Points Update

Year 10 positive points so far - 31431
Year 11 positive points so far - 23752

Well done

Click on the image or the links opposite to be taken to a useful sites with revision tips, techniques and support.

ReVISION



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Attendance

Attending school on a regular basis is the key to your child doing well at school and will set them up with good habits for later life.

Saturday Club

Year 11 students, please remember Saturday club has started where you can get extra support with coursework or subject specific work.

Toilet Visits

Please make sure you go the toilet at break and lunchtime so that you do not have to go during lesson time. Students who arrange to meet up in the toilets during lessons will be sanctioned.

Christmas Jumper Day



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Post 16 Sixth Form at Abbot Beyne School

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 -

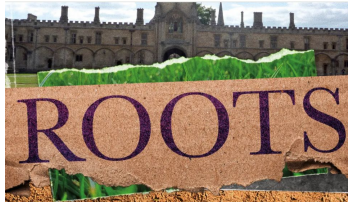
<https://giveusashout.org/>

Young Minds -

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/>

The Mix -

<https://www.themix.org.uk/>



Upcoming Events

Wednesday 18th December -
Operation Mince Pie during
Enrichment sessions

Friday 20th December - Last day
of term



Awards and Recognition

**Sixth Form Students of the
Week**



Communications - Lorraine E
and Hanne C

Maths - Evie W and Dawood E

Innovation - Cyprian S

Performance - Emma P

Social Studies - Katie S and
Katie H

<https://www.chch.ox.ac.uk/tower-poetry/enter-tower-poetry-competition>

This looks great on your UCAS and the chance to win a great prize, click the link to find out more.

Grofar

Year 12 Work Experience

You should be actively searching for a work experience placement. All Year 12s need to go out on work experience.

Ask your form tutors, subject teachers, Miss Smith and Mrs Pollitt for ideas.

Once you have a placement, please complete the form on Grofar (you have been sent a link).

The deadline to complete the first section of Grofar is Friday 20th December.

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Why go anywhere else?
abbotbeynesixthform

Innovation

Year 8 Miss Smith

Students have been learning about electrical charges and used the Van der Graaf Generator. This is Ruby W having a hair raising time.



Year 8 Mr Eades

Some Year 8 Classes have had a go at making their own salt, but this wasn't the same salt you put on your fish and chips. They used a black powder called copper oxide which reacted with sulphuric acid. They heated these substances over a bunsen burner to create a salt called copper sulphate. Copper sulphate is a blue coloured salt and would be harmful to human health if swallowed.



Year 9 Textiles paper garments

Students had a go at making paper garments in their textiles lesson, to understand how a garment could be constructed. There were some excellent designs showing creativity and innovation.

Miss Rice



This week NASA announced a year-long delay to the much anticipated Artemis II Moon mission, which will be the final test flight to orbit the moon before Artemis III will actually land on the Moon, taking with it the first humans to step foot on the Moon since Apollo 17 in 1972.

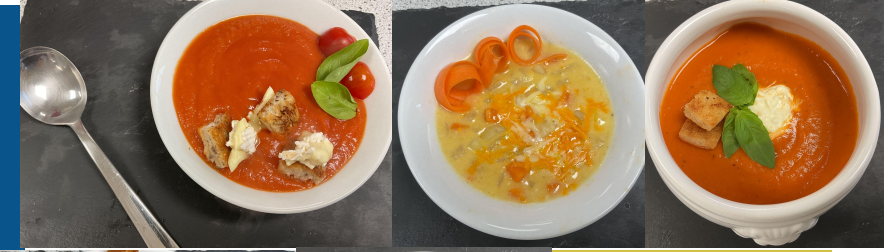
<https://www.nasa.gov/mission/artemis-ii/>



Artemis II

Four astronauts will venture around the Moon on Artemis II, the first crewed mission on NASA's path to establishing a long-term presence at the Moon for science and exploration through Artemis. The 10-day flight will test NASA's foundational human deep space exploration capabilities, the SLS rocket, Orion spacecraft, for the first time with astronauts.

FUTURE MISSION



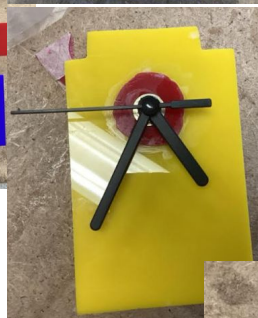
Food Technology

Year 10 students have been working on vegetable preparation, using blenders and adding garnish. Some wonderful soups have been made.

Year 9 Technology

A selection of creative clocks from the autumn rotation of Year 9, designed using selected inspirational images for a specific client.

Mrs Franklin



Year 10 Chemistry

The students this week carried out a Titration reaction to enable them to calculate the concentration of an unknown solution from the volume and concentration of a known solution. A really tricky skill that they all accomplished.



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Innovation

Celebrating the success of our Alumni

In the class of 2019, Imogen Keyte completed her A Levels having achieved 9 GCSEs at grades A* and A Levels in Biology - A*, Chemistry - A and Physics - A.

She had always had her heart set on a career in medicine and left Abbot Beyne School to study this at Birmingham University, where she achieved her Clinical Anatomy Masters gaining a 2:1. She is currently in her last year of medicine and hoping to complete her Foundation Years 1 and 2 in Newcastle.

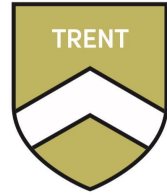
She has just become a published author in the British Journal of Surgery with her research into The efficacy of CA19-9 in predicting resectability and survival in pancreatic cancer patients with jaundice.

[MS O12 - HPB The efficacy of CA19-9 in predicting resectability and survival in pancreatic cancer patients with jaundice: A retrospective cohort study](#)

We are very proud of Imogen's achievements. Well done.



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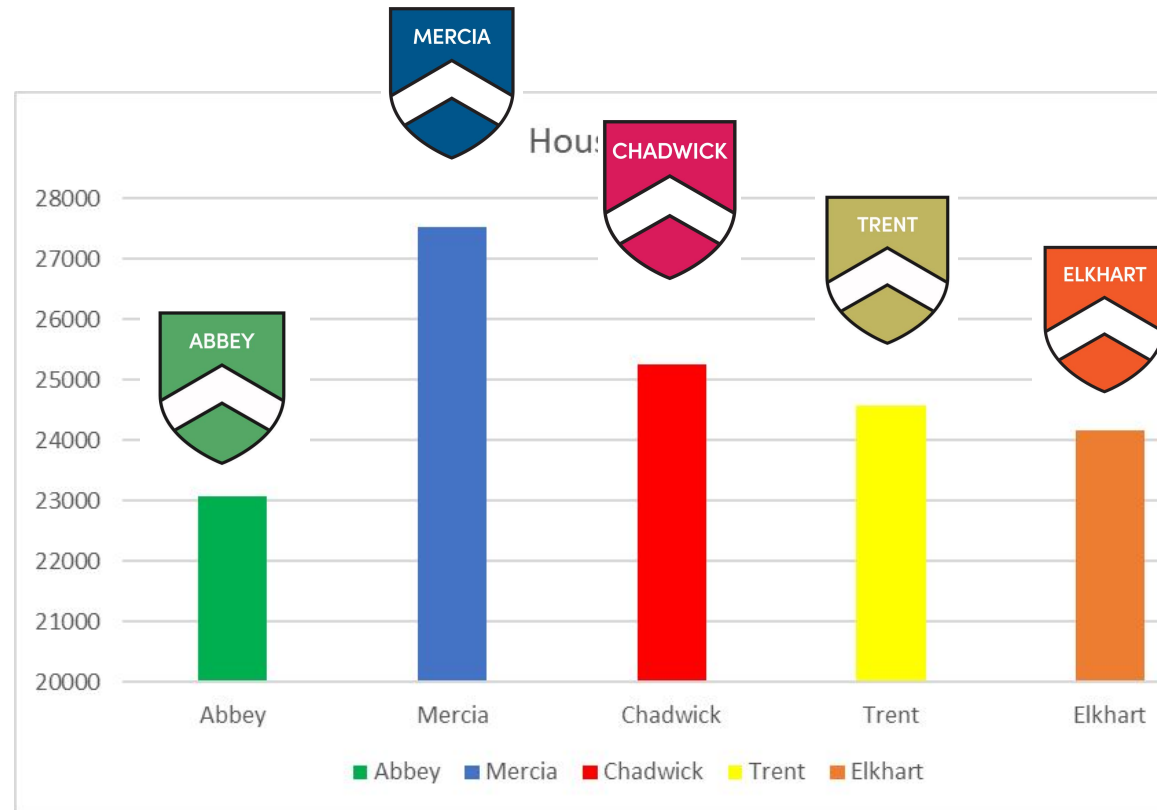
House points



Mercia continue their comfortable lead and seem set to finish the first term with the most house points. Can any other houses make a dent in their lead before the Christmas break?

Remember you can earn house points in a number of ways:

- Effort in classwork or homework
- Attending extra curricular activities
- Showing respect, taking responsibility or demonstrating resilience



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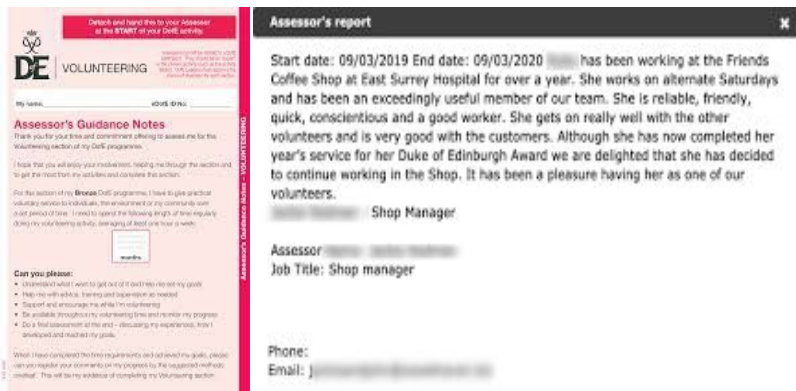
LEADERSHIP

TEAM

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

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.



Expedition dates-

Bronze Practice walk/ Navigation day-
Saturday March 29th 2025

Bronze Practice weekend-
Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th April 2025

Bronze Assessed weekend-
Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th June 2025

Silver Practice weekend-
Friday 11th to Sunday 13th April 2025

Silver Assessed weekend-
Friday 13th to Sunday 15th June 2025

Letters will be sent out next week to parents with these date on and how students will be getting to the expeditions.



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Bronze Award
Thursday nights 3 - 4pm
(Week 1 only) Evershed Hall

Silver Award
Thursday nights 3 - 4pm
(Week 2 only) L14

Here are some ideas for the physical section. You can do them in school and outside of school but not in your normal lessons

- Football
- Gym
- Hiking
- Swimming
- Dance
- Hockey
- Horse Riding
- Skateboarding
- Rollerblading
- Squash
- Martial Arts
- Boxing
- Netball



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



Another visit to Tesco Express Brizlincote who are working with us to stock our food bank. We were in store today to talk to the local customers and inform them of the donation box that we have and the raffle that they are running next week. So, if you fancy winning some prizes pop to buy your ticket to support our cause.

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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.



0300 123 3393
Open 9am-6pm weekdays



116 123
Always open



0800 58 58 58
Open 5pm - midnight

If you're in Wales:



0800 132 737
Always open

If you're under 25:



Text THEMIX to 85258
Always open

Enrichment



La Boheme, Royal Opera House - Covent Garden

A group of students from Year 12 were lucky enough to be able to watch a performance of La Boheme at the world-renowned Royal Opera House in Covent Garden, London. The performances at this prestige venue are normally highly expensive but we managed to secure some tickets through the Schools Matinee project which heavily subsidises the cost to make it affordable to all. This is an amazing opportunity for our students to experience a truly world class performance.

Enrichment Experience:

- To watch or take part in a live production of a play, musical or dramatic performance.

Venue:

- Royal Opera House, London

Students:

- Year 12



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Attendance



Powerful Learning starts with being at school every day.



What is GOOD attendance?



Most Improved Form Attendance

7D

Best Form Attendance

8A

Best House Attendance
Chadwick

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Attendance

There is a clear link between attendance and progress and as a school we expect all pupils to have excellent attendance.

Research has shown that the lower the attendance of a pupil, the lower the GCSE grade they get at the end of Year 11.

Did you know that 17 days missed from school can result in one GCSE grade drop.

As a result, we have set our school target for attendance at **96%** and expect all pupils to achieve this.



Library News

ePlatform Top Readers for
October & November 2024

Farhan H (Y7)
Malachi H (Y9)

Evershed LRC Top Borrowers
for October & November
2024

Olek G (Y8)
Kawnain M (Y8)
Mckenzi S (Y8)
Abigail W (Y8)
Sanwal M (Y8)
Ava J (Y8)



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Library News



Our 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 half term we have
been celebrating...

Non-fiction November

Remembrance Day

Anti Bullying Week

Children in Need

Christmas





Library News

Look out for a reminder email if your book is approaching its return date.

Please come to the LRC and check out some Christmas reading – books can be borrowed over the holidays.

Visit the LRC to sign up if you would like to become a student librarian.

Don't forget to check the lost property boxes in the LRC if you are missing a coat, blazer, PE jumper, lunchbox or water bottle.



READING SUPPORTS

children to...

- 1
Overcome disadvantage
- 2
Develop better mental wellbeing, social skills and strong relationships
- 3
Meet speech and language milestones and do better at school
- 4
Develop imagination, empathy and creativity

 **BookTrust**
Getting children reading

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Mental Health Support Team



THE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM IN SCHOOLS ARE OPEN OVER THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Monday 23rd December - Monday 4th January
(excluding weekends and bank holidays)

If your child is experiencing low level mental health difficulties, we may be able to help. Call us* between 9am - 5pm (Monday to Friday), leave your name and number and one of our practitioners will give you a call back to see what support we can offer.

We can help with:

- Low mood
- Anxiety
- Sleep difficulties
- Worry
- Panic

Burton and Uttoxeter
01283 504487

Cannock and Lichfield
01283 352113

Stafford
01283 352097

Tamworth
01785 301027

*Please note that these contact numbers are not to be used in an emergency.

