

Abbot Beyne School
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Student Newsletter

Friday 31st January 2025



Key Stage 3 Update

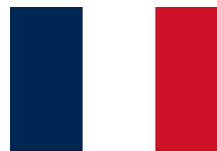


Top Positive Points: 20th - 26th January

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
1st Joseph G	1st = Millie G Ruqayyah R	1st Jalal M
2nd = Usmawia I Rhys R Eden S	2nd = Kaitlyn K Karolina K Nicola S Kacie W	2nd Rianna M
3rd = Haseeb AA Rozalia D Charlie F Olivia H	3rd = Tyler S Ruby W	3rd = Victory A Mason F

Well done to all!

Year 7 Paris Residential



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Calling all Year 7s! You have the chance to experience a five day residential trip to Paris. We have launched our trip which will take place in October 2026. This is a while away but gives parents the chance to spread the cost. We will be doing all the most famous attractions: a trip up the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, Sacre Coeur, a boat trip on the Seine and of course a visit to Disneyland. Do not miss out on this fantastic experience - get your deposits paid on ParentPay by Friday 7th March.



Evershed Careers Fair



Students had the chance to attend a Careers Fair in the hall last week. Each year group had an hour to speak to the various stall holders about what it takes to work in their particular industry. We had representatives from the Army, Police and Fire Brigade, local employers such as TC Harrison and representatives from Staffs and Keele universities.

Key Stage 4 Update



Year 11 Football Team's Incredible English Schools Cup Run

The Year 11 football team's journey in the English Schools Cup came to a heartbreaking end with a last-minute winner from The Kings School. It was an exciting match, and whilst we were unfortunate to fall short, Abbot Beyne School students' showed they were the better team in terms of possession and style of play. The only thing missing was that final touch in front of goal, which ultimately cost us.

This Cup run has been nothing short of remarkable. For the first time in our school's history, we reached the last 16 of the competition out of 589 schools. The team should be incredibly proud of what they've accomplished, especially with the tough competition they've faced while travelling across the UK to play against some top schools.

A huge congratulations to the boys. The way the team has performed and represented the school has been nothing short of exemplary. Mr Lynch is proud of you all.

But the season isn't over yet! With **two more cup games left**, the team still has plenty to play for:

- **County Cup Quarter Finals** against **Wolgarston High School**
- **East Staffs Cup Quarter Finals** against **Paulet/John Taylor High**

Let's carry this momentum forward and continue to give it our all!

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Positive Points Update

Year 10 positive points so far - 37075

Year 11 positive points so far - 28740

Well done

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

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.



Top tips to ensuring you get the best out of school

- Having breakfast every day
- Drinking enough water and having a good diet
- Getting enough sleep every night, having a good routine and not just trying to catch up at weekends
- Exercise
- Relaxing and socialising



The specks on strawberries are single seeds called achenes.

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

4th - 6th February - CERN Trip to Geneva

5th February - Staffordshire University Lecture visit

10th - 14th February - Year 12 Work Experience



Awards and Recognition

Sixth Form Students of the Week



Innovation - Cyprian S

Performance - Poppy C and Katie H-E

Social Studies - Macey and Sam M

Communications - Sam M

Maths - Cyprian S and Ella G

Please remind yourself of the attendance procedures.

We will be focusing on attendance and punctuality this half term, this will involve:

- ❖ Pink cards being issued for those who are late to school
- ❖ Phone calls home where attendance is an issue
- ❖ Weekly conversations with tutors about attendance
- ❖ Attendance letters home
- ❖ Attendance meetings with parents and students

Why are we doing this? There is a direct correlation between attendance and achievement.

Year 12 Work Experience

You should be actively searching for a work experience placement. EVERYONE needs to go out on work experience and this needs sorting ASAP.

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

Please contact Miss Smith/Mrs Pollitt with any queries regarding Grofar.

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Why go anywhere else?
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Innovation

Year 10 Food students have been learning about Vegetarianism. They have tried different dishes using plant based proteins as part of a balanced meal.

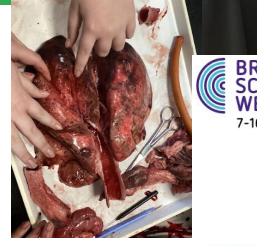


Year 11 Textiles trip

Pupils were able to see how a garment is made professionally. From the fabric testing stage, to printing, cutting and sewing. Pupils were able to try out how fabric buttons were made and a quick way to make a bow. It was great to see how local textiles factories work.



Year 9 enjoyed(!) a demonstration of a lung dissection with Mrs Hall this week.



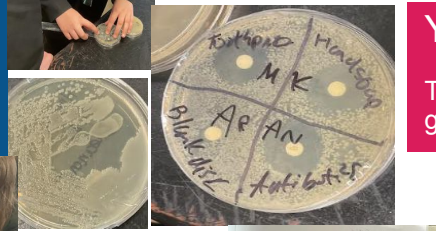
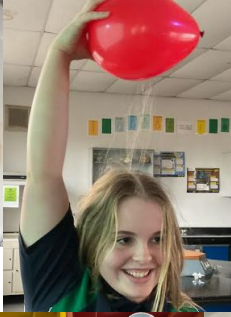
British Science Week
The week is from the 7th to the 16th March 2025. For more information visit: <https://www.britishsienceweek.org/>



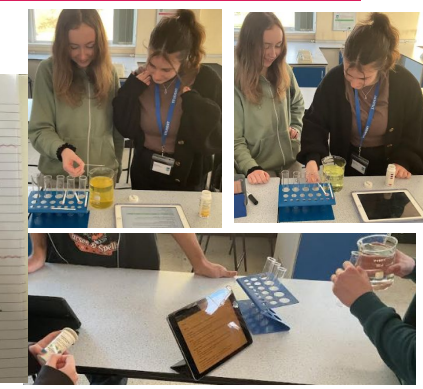
Year 8: Kacey & Kacey M demonstrating the effect of static charge.

Year 9: examples of pure dry copper sulphate, some of the best and well formed crystals I have seen

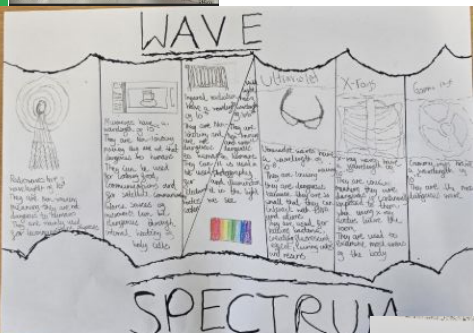
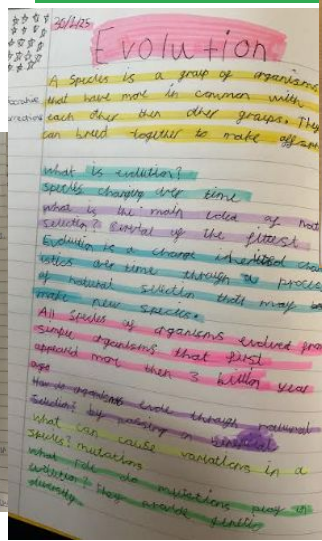
Y10: Heart dissection by Alastair D and examples of microbiology using Aseptic technique, from Amelia H, Eleanor M and Eliza B's streak plate and Mohammed K and Abdul A's lawn plate



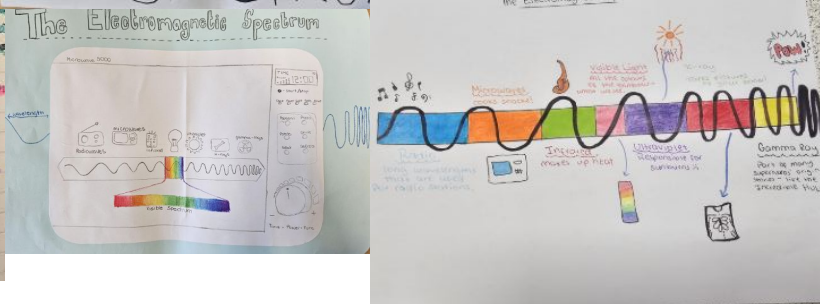
Year 13 Biology
Testing urine for pH, glucose and protein.



Year 8 students have been learning about Evolution. They have produced excellent book work. Students made sure the key points from the lesson were written in their books, use the success criteria as a checklist.



Year 11 Physics students have been learning about the Electromagnetic Spectrum and the uses of the various parts of it.



DeepSeek: A New Open-Source AI

Last week, DeepSeek, a powerful new artificial intelligence model, was made available to the public. What sets DeepSeek apart is that it's open source, meaning its code is freely accessible to anyone. This allows developers, researchers, and even students to study, modify, and improve the technology, fostering innovation and collaboration on a global scale. Open-source makes it easier for more people to benefit from and contribute to its development.

DeepSeek is also more efficient and cost-effective compared to other AI models like ChatGPT. It requires fewer computational resources while still delivering high performance, making it not only more affordable but also more environmentally friendly by reducing energy consumption.

As AI continues to evolve, models like DeepSeek will play a crucial role in education, empowering students to learn, create, and innovate like never before. Whether you're curious about AI, need help with homework, or want to dive into coding, now is the perfect time to explore how these tools can enhance your learning experience.

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National Competition for Year 10

We need teams of 4 to 6 students. Each team will create either a poster or a written report to explain your three solutions to a challenge statement. We are looking for solutions that are:

- Effective - they must help solve your challenge.
- Creative - the more unique, the better
- Realistic - could the Government actually do this?

Your poster or report will be judged by people who work across government, including experts in STEM and Government policy.



Welcome to the STEM Challenge 2025!

Year 10

The UK Government needs **your help** to create a better future...

What is the STEM Challenge?

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) Challenge is an exciting competition where you can use your creativity and scientific knowledge to solve a future world challenge. Entries will be judged by a panel of leaders from across government and prizes will be awarded to the groups with the best solutions.

This year's challenge will focus on **'A better world in 2050'**.

Your group will take on the role of **scientists** and **policy makers** in the year **2050**. You will be responsible for ensuring the government helps the UK be a safe, prosperous, sustainable and healthy society.

If you are interested speak to:

Mrs Lowe, Miss J Smith or Mr Eades

The sessions will run every Monday from 10th February until 31st March. Work has to be submitted by 4th April.

The future of health



Sustainable transport



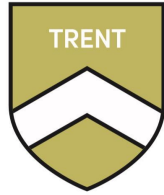
Humans in space



Homes of the future



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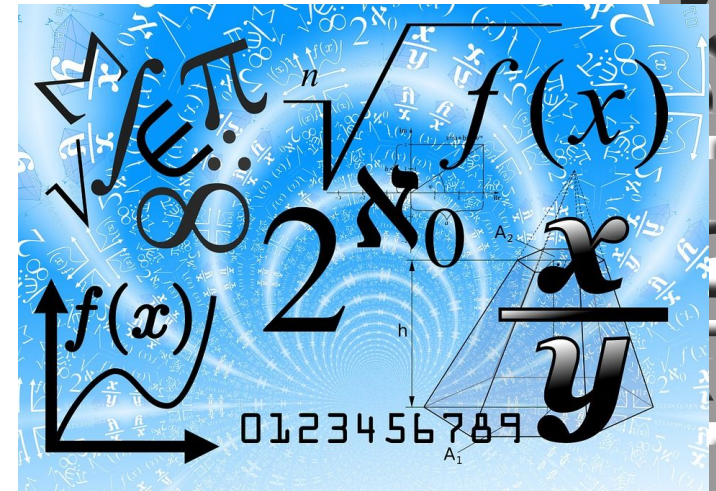
House maths competition

This week during tutor time you will be testing your maths skills and earning points for your house.

Which house can win the first ever Abbot Beyne House Maths competition?



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Mercia Abbey Trent Chadwick Elkhart



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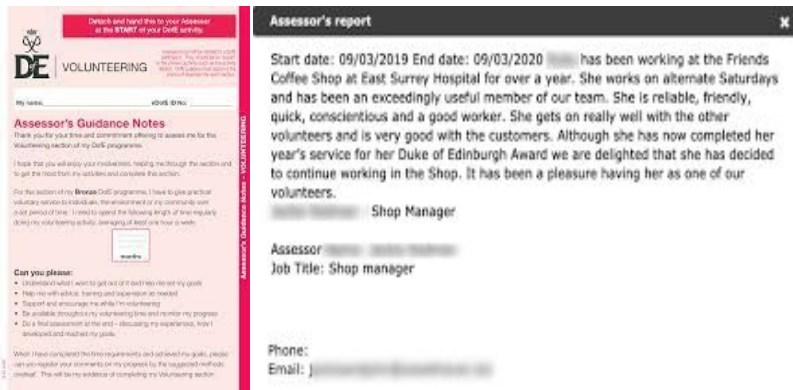
LEADERSHIP

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 5th and Sunday 6th April 2025

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

Silver Practice weekend-
Friday 4th to Sunday 6th April 2025

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



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As the expeditions approach, it's essential to focus on selecting the right foods to ensure the participants maintain their energy levels, endure the challenges and stay fueled throughout the weekend. We will be testing out a variety of foods to help students stay energized and ensure they consume adequate nutrition while on the move.

When choosing foods for an expedition, it is crucial to prioritize options that are **lightweight**, **nutrient-dense**, and **easy to eat** on the go. Here is a breakdown of some food categories that should be sampled and considered:

High-Energy, Portable Snacks

- **Granola Bars or Energy Bars:** Look for bars with a balance of **protein**, **complex carbs**, and **healthy fats** (not overly sugary). They're quick to eat and provide lasting energy without the sugar crash.
- **Energy Gels or Chews:** These are perfect for a quick boost during strenuous moments of the expedition. They are lightweight and deliver fast, digestible carbs and electrolytes.

Enrichment.

Miss Rice took the Year 11 GCSE Textiles students to a clothing manufacturer in Alferton last week to see how professional fashion garments are made. The David Nieper factory makes a range of ladies garments and students got the chance to see various areas of the production including dying, printing, cutting of material, sewing machines and button making. This was a great way for students to see how theories taught in their lessons are applied in a real life industry.



Enrichment Experience:

- Trips to active workplace settings to learn about careers

Venue:

- David Nieper Factory, Alferton

Students:

- Year 11



Mr Lynch rewarded those students who have been to after school sports clubs or represented the school at a sports fixture with a trip to watch the Ice Hockey in Nottingham. The Friday night game saw the Nottingham Panthers take on Guilford, and the Panthers came away 7-4 winners. A great experience for those that attended and a lovely reward for taking part in extra-curricular sport.

Enrichment Experience:

- To watch a live professional, sporting performance or match

Venue:

- Nottingham Panthers

Students:

- Years 9, 10 and 11



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Attendance

Absence Line

When leaving a message on the absence line can you please leave more details rather than unwell, not in school and/or ill.

The more details you leave makes it easier for us to see any patterns in absences.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day



**Most Improved
Form
Attendance**

8C

**Best Form
Attendance**

9C

**Most Improved
House
Attendance**

Chadwick

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- Seek advice from our Early Careers Team to find your fit



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Yoga Class



REGISTER NOW!

For registration and more information, please contact s.kerlo@abbotbeyneschool.co.uk

EVERY TUESDAY 15:00-16:00 IN THE GYM

Looking to unwind and relieve the stresses of the day? Join us for a **Yoga Class** every **Tuesday afternoon from 3-4pm** in the **Linnell Gym** with **Mrs. Kerlo**. This is a fantastic chance to relax, stretch and refocus. Come along and give it a try.

YOGA CLASS

EVERY TUESDAY 15:00-16:00 IN THE LINNELL GYM

BEGINNER-FRIENDLY YOGA CLASS

This Yoga Class is a perfect place for those who want to start learning yoga and want to gain all the benefits Yoga has to offer.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF YOGA?

Reduces stress and anxiety

Improves balance and coordination

Builds strength and endurance

Boosts mood and energy levels



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