

## Abbey Primary Newsletter 15.10.21

### Abbey Vs Cheam Common Juniors



They were a tough side. It was our first match together, but we did our best. William and Sam got the goals, but it just wasn't enough as we lost 8-2. Sam deserves the Man of the Match since he did a lot of great passes and did well tackling the opponents. At the end of the day, it was a good match.

By William T and Freddie P (Year 6)

### Awesome Awards

The following children have been recognised by their teachers as being 'awesome' this week!

NS – Leah C  
RC – Oscar J  
RH – Lunna B  
1E – Imran K  
1R – Diyuresh V  
2P – Manish B  
2S – Harrison WL  
3L – Iftikhar A  
3W – Sailujan V  
4B – Ellis A  
4S – Alfie F  
5B – Chloe F  
5M – Katie TH  
6RB – Charlie G  
6S – Jasmine M





## **LED Halloween Masks.**

We would like to remind you that the children will not be allowed to wear LED Halloween masks at the disco next week.

## **Attendance**

Attendance is mandatory (and a parental duty) – we expect all children to be at school, unless they are self-isolating (due to coronavirus symptoms, and/or have tested positive, and/or have been contacted by NHS Test and Trace). Attendance is vital for the children’s education, socialising and overall well-being, including their economic prosperity and long-term health – children benefit hugely from being at school.

Attendance for the whole school this week was 90.9%. Well, done RH – best attendance this week!

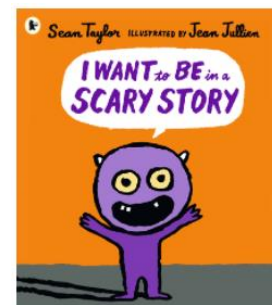
RC	90.0	RH	97.6
1E	85.0	1R	90.0
2P	92.7	2S	89.3
3L	89.6	3W	89.6
4B	89.0	4S	89.7
5B	93.1	5M	97.0
6RB	88.7	6S	92.7



## **Recommended Read**

'I Want To Be In A Scary Story' by Sean Taylor.

The Little Monster thinks he's brave but we're not so sure! Little Monster really wants to be in a scary story, but he won't listen to the narrator who thinks a funny story might be better... But the dark and scary forest is just too dark and scary. And the creepy witch is just too creepy. And the ghost? Oh, jeeppers creepers! A cute, funny, and just a little bit scary, picture book perfect for Halloween fun. This book is recommended for children between the ages of 3 and 7.



## **A-Life Workshops**

This week the children in KS1 and KS2 enjoyed the A life workshop on 'Mental Health and Wellbeing' run by A-Life. The children enjoyed a carousel of activities including exciting escape rooms, puzzles and video scenarios to help them be better equipped to look after their own mental health.



## **Spotlight on.....Mr Brickwood**



Hi, I'm Mr Brickwood and this is my 12<sup>th</sup> year of teaching at Abbey! I currently teach the amazing 6RB and have taught in Year 6 for many of my years here- though I have also taught in Years 2, 3 and 5 previously. At home, my 2 young daughters (aged 2 & 7) certainly keep me on my toes! I love all sports and when not at home or school, you can find me either on the golf course or on the terraces watching the mighty Sutton United! Do come and say 'Hi' when you can- if you fancy a chat about sport then even better!! 😊

## **Team Charlie Complete the Thames Path Challenge!**



One of our pupils, Charlie, was diagnosed with a grade 2 oligioastrocytoma brain tumour at just eight months old. He is now 10 years old and has been battling it ever since. He has had two major brain surgeries and three different chemotherapy and immunotherapy treatments to fight the tumour. TeamCharlie (a team of family and friends who take part in events/challenges) took on the Thames Path Challenge and walked 100km in just two days to raise money for three charities - Brain Tumour Research, The Royal Marsden Hospital Children's Unit & The Magical Taxi Tours.

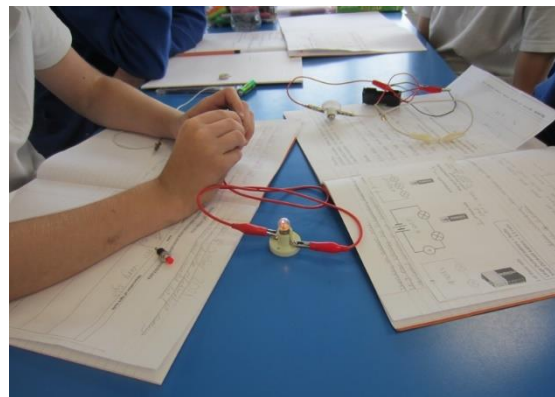
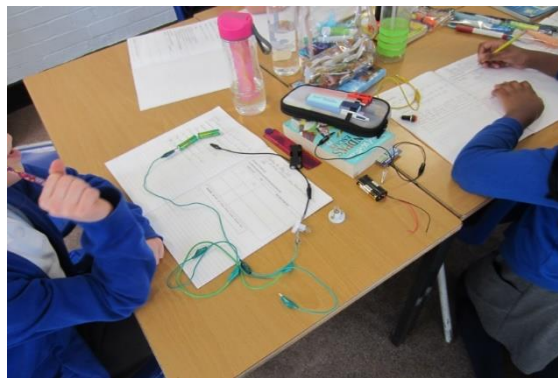
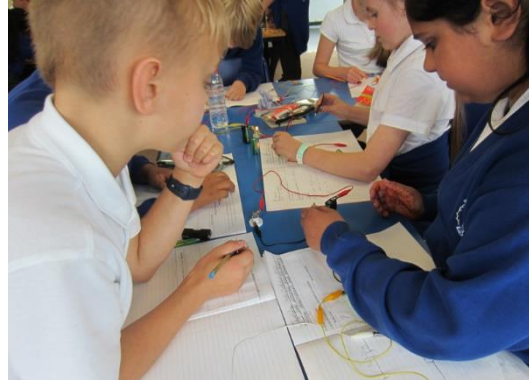
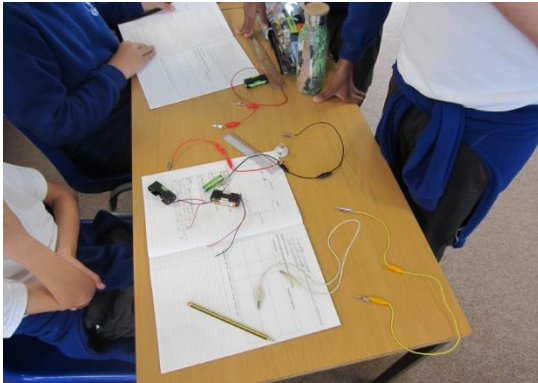
TeamCharlie spent a total of 23 hours walking from Henley-on-Thames to reach their destination, Wandsworth Park in Putney. Charlie and his brother, Freddie, joined in for the last 1km to keep everybody going - it made such a difference to know that he was with them. They pushed themselves to their limits, emotionally and physically. There was blood, sweat and tears, literally! A few first aid incidents, ripped tendons, pulled muscles and Charlie's Mum, Kirsty lost count of how many blisters she saw on everyone's feet! But the effort was unbelievable and it resulted in an amazing achievement 📍💪🏻 So proud of them all. So far the team have raised just over £13,000 from this walk alone!

If you would still like to donate, you can do so via the link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/teamcharliewalkpart3>

## **Spotlight on Y6 – Science**

This week, 6RB conducted an investigation into how the number of cells within a circuit would have an effect on the brightness of a light bulb. The children independently constructed circuits including switches and were able to talk about the impacts of variables such as the increase/decrease in voltage and the effect this had on their outcomes. Here they are in action- certainly some electricians in the making!



## Harvest

We would like to remind you that we are collecting our annual harvest donations next week for the Sutton Food Bank which supports families in our local community.

# Harvest 2021



## What we need

Please note we have plenty of everything else!

- Coffee (100g jars)
- Long life orange juice
- Tea bags (40's & 80's)
- Tinned tomatoes
- Pasta sauce
- Tinned tomato soup
- Tinned tuna
- Tinned veg (peas, carrots, mushrooms, green beans or sweetcorn)
- Tinned fruit (peaches, pineapple, apricots or pears)
- Sugar (500g bags)
- Sponge puddings
- Small bars of chocolate
- Shower gel
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Soap
- Deodorants

**Thank you for your donations!**  
**They will be used wherever they are needed most.**



Sutton Community Works registered charity: 1140363

## Safeguarding – Squid Game on Netflix!

Squid Game is a television show on Netflix that is about a group of vulnerable adults who have a chance to win money through a set of tasks. This is currently the most watched show in 90 countries and nearly all episodes of the '15' rated show contain violent and gruesome scenes. This means the content has been viewed as too graphic for younger children.



Due to the popularity of the show and its challenge-based themes, Squid Game has become popular on social media platforms. This includes people recreating the games and acting out scenes from the TV show. We have been

made aware that some children have been mimicking Squid Game in the playground.

Scary stuff in the media often creates a sense of alarm which can become self-fulfilling. Although it seems counter-intuitive, it is usually best not to name the frightening content.

You can find further information about managing specific websites and challenges from CEOP:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/theres-a-viral-scare-online-what-should-i-do/>

## PTA Events



A Halloween-themed poster for a PTA event. At the top, there are colorful triangular bunting flags and a white spiderweb. A large orange jack-o'-lantern with a carved face is the central focus. Text on the left says 'Tickets on Parentpay now!!' and on the right 'Fancy Dress'. The main title is 'HALLOWEEN DISCO' in large orange letters. Below it, in green, it says '£3.50 INCLUDES DRINK, SNACK AND PARTY BAG TO TAKE HOME'. A decorative arrow points to the date and time: 'Thursday 21st October 2021', 'Years 1, 2 & 3 - After school - 4.45pm', and 'Years 4, 5 & 6 - 5pm - 6.30pm'. A note in orange text says 'Yrs 1, 2 & 3 are to bring clothes into school and change in classrooms with teachers before coming to the disco.' At the bottom, there are five cartoon characters in various costumes: a green zombie, a witch, a white ghost, a girl in a pumpkin costume, and a blue alien.

Tickets on Parentpay now!!

Fancy Dress

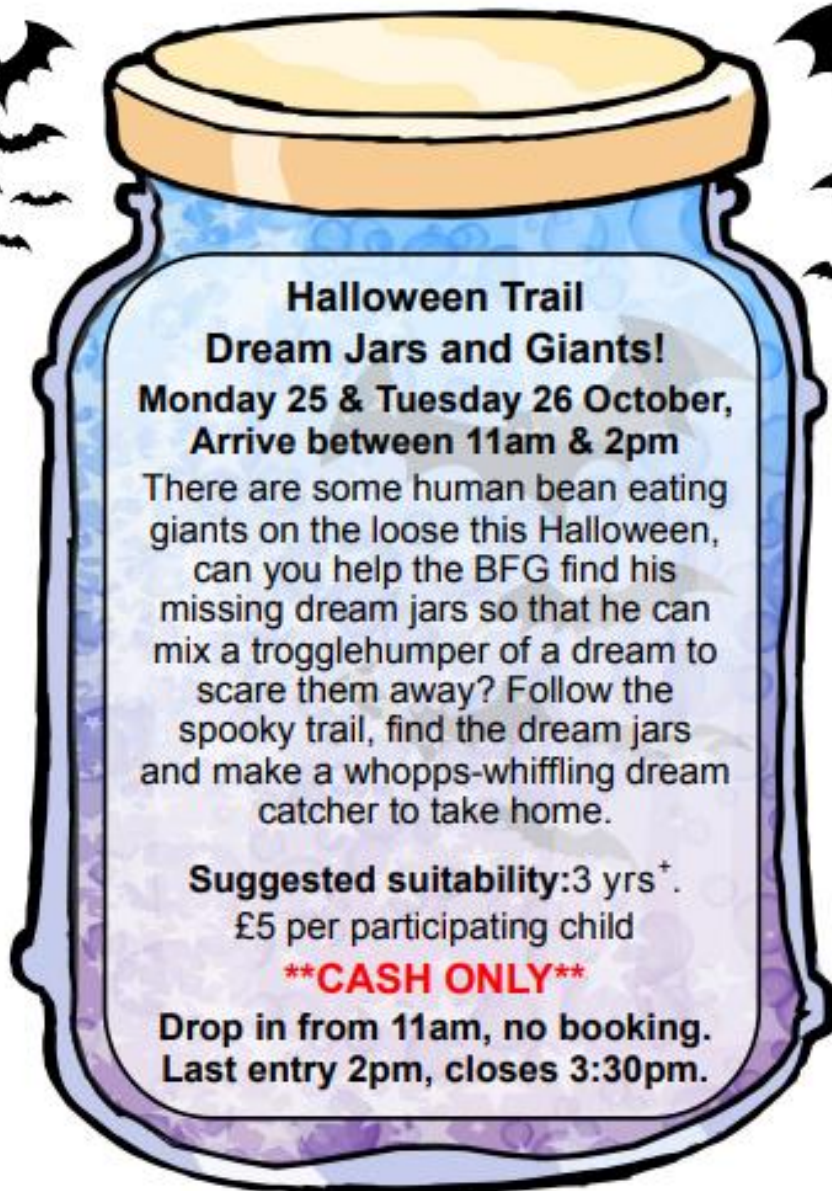
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# October Half Term 2021 Nature Activities at Sutton Ecology Centre



Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Enquiries: [biodiversity@sutton.gov.uk](mailto:biodiversity@sutton.gov.uk)

[www.friendsecologycentre.org.uk](http://www.friendsecologycentre.org.uk)

Festival Walk, Carshalton, SM5 3NY





# TechyTots

Introducing Children to Coding



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## SATURDAY CLASSES

TechyTots brings together technology and play to introduce children to coding. We are the very first class of this kind and our aim is to work on the first steps of coding with children at a young age to help prepare them for the technical world we now live in. TechyTots classes are for children aged 5 - 9 years old. Our classes are fun and engaging! We encourage children to explore coding by using robots and the most advanced toys available on the market. We will blend digital learning with arts and crafts in our Saturday classes to ensure an engaging lesson for the children. Each week will have a different theme and we will have art activities to complement our coding lessons. We supply all the equipment, all you need to do is come along and have fun!!

Classes will be running every  
SATURDAY MORNING

10am - 12

The classes will be held at:

GUIDE HALL

CLARENCE ROAD, SUTTON SM1 1RQ

For more information or to book  
your space  
please visit:

<https://techtots-sutton-and-cheam.class4kids.co.uk/camp/3>



## Dates for your Diary

### **Academic Year 2021-2022**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October – PTA Halloween Disco

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Mufti Day – raising money towards 'Scroogical'.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October – school closed for half-term

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – school closed for staff training (INSET Day)

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – school closed for staff training (INSET Day)

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November – Scholastic book fair in school

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Parents Evening (3.30-6.50pm)

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Parents Evening (3.30-4.50pm)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November – PTA Mufti Day

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Anti-bullying Week – One Kind Word

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Odd sock Mufti Day

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November – 'Scroogical – the pantomime' - Year R to Year 6

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – PTA Mufti Day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term – **early finish for all children (including Nursery)**

### **Spring Term**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January - school closed for staff training (INSET Day)

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January - school closed for staff training (INSET Day)

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Children return at 8.45am (Morning Nursery at 8.30am)

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February – school closed for half-term

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Last day of term – **early finish for all children (including Nursery)**

### **Summer Term**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Children return at 8.45am (Morning Nursery at 8.30am)

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – school closed for half-term

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June - school closed for staff training (INSET Day)

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last day of term – **early finish for all children (including Nursery)**

**And finally....**

