



Head's Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Students, Families, Colleagues and Friends

Welcome to today's issue of the newsletter – the last piece for Term 1, which has now ended.

I want to thank the whole school community for the hard work, support, patience, empathy and understanding. It takes the whole of Abbot's Lea School to make it a success, and each person representing the students, the families, the staff and the governors is appreciated, valued and thanked for their contribution.

Term 2 starts on 2 November 2020 and ends on 18 December 2020 (please note a 1:30pm finish that day) and so, the coming week of October holidays should be used to rest, relax and switch off, in order to return with all of the energy, passion and readiness for learning over the seven weeks that will follow.

We might not always get every aspect of our work right – and the times are certainly testing! – but I am very proud of the way we have led and managed the school during the past eight weeks. We have worked safely, cautiously and carefully but we also provided and had lots of fun, inspiration and new learning.

We continued with all of the practices that appeared to work well, whilst taking action where arrangements proved flawed. We sped up the recovery curriculum where it was clear the students were ready for more challenged, whilst postponing to Term 2 those things which we had felt would be possible but which proved too much.

I have written to all families today sharing some changes to Term 2 arrangements and the letter can be found here:

<http://www.abbotsleaschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Term-2-arrangements-23.10.2020.pdf>

We are patient, measured and considerate and I am very proud of my team who have worked sensitively – on site and remotely – to personalise curriculum for every student in our care.

Term 2 will test us further, no doubt, but we will be unchanged in our commitment to our mission: to be the best specialist school in the world for every student, every family who entrusts us the educational task and for every colleague who chooses to work here.

I wish you all a very restful October break and I look forward to seeing you on Monday, 2 November 2020 for "round two! Stay safe!

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Mrs A Hildrey
Headteacher

Governing Body message to all staff

Message to staff on behalf of Governing Body

Dear Colleagues

The Governing Body had a Zoom call, on Wednesday 21 October as part of our termly meetings, where we discussed the latest position from both a strategic and operational readiness perspective.

We were happy to note, that we are as prepared as we can be, and adhering strictly to our risk assessment protocols given the ever-changing landscape and the constantly evolving information that we are being presented with as an institution.

The Governing Body would like to thank you, for all your hard work and unstinting support provided to our students' and as a small token of our appreciation, have arranged for some chocolates to be placed in each of the staff rooms.

We will of course, be working with the School Leadership Team, to ensure that we are supporting Abbot's Lea School in the best possible way, over the coming months and will keep you posted on important developments.

In the meantime, we hope you are able to get some rest and enjoy some well-deserved time off with your families, over the upcoming school half term break.

Kind Regards



Mr R Ramesh
Chair of the Governing Body

Congratulations!!!

We are pleased to inform you that **Alicea Thompson**, has been re-elected as a Parent Governor during the recent Parent Governor Election.

The election result has been ratified by the Governing Body during its meeting on Wednesday, 21 October 2020.



A message from Alicea:

“I was delighted to receive the news, and I am very much looking forward to continuing to work with governors. I am committed to supporting the school and management team as a ‘critical friend’ at every opportunity to ensure that the students receive the very best education in a happy, nurturing, holistic environment.”

Governing Body 2020-21

Abbot's Lea School Governing Body now consists of:

Roles and Responsibilities

No	School Development Plan	Name	Role	Link Senior Leader
1	Effectiveness of Leadership and Management – school's leadership team	Rohit Ramesh Chair	Co-opted	Headteacher
2	Effectiveness of Leadership and Management – school's governing body	Rob Lowe Vice Chair	Co-opted	Headteacher
4	Our Students – care and safeguarding	Sarah Powell	LA Governor	Head of Care and Safeguarding
5	Our Students – engagement and progress	Alicea Thompson	Parent Governor	Deputy Headteacher
6	Our Students – transition, employability and destinations	Jim North	Parent Governor	Deputy Headteacher
7	Our Families	Eileen Walsh	Co-opted Governor	Head of Care and Safeguarding
8	Our Team - HR	Clare Atherton	Associate Governor	Head of HR
9	Our Autism Research and Development	Jennie Shipley	Staff Governor	Head of Autism Research and Development
10	Our Resources – Finance and Operations	Tom Drost	Co-opted Governor	Head of Finance and Operations
11	Our Resources – future developments	VACANCY	Co-opted Governors	Headteacher

Time to say goodbye...

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Mr Smith, also known as Pete, who has worked at Abbot's Lea School for the past 26 years and is retiring today!

Mr Smith has worked as a Learning Support Assistant, Teaching Assistance and, since September 2017, as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant.

He has worked with hundreds of students over the span of his career with us, and has become known as our Poet in Residence, writing wonderfully witty poems for every school leaver (student and staff alike!).

He is also a talented musician and has often entertained and educated students – often under one of the large trees in our grounds.... 😊

I recall vividly his application and interview for the HLTA role during my first year in the school – I was impressed then, and I am impressed now, with his highly academic background and love of Physics, as well as his measured, calm and insightful, yet restrained approach to all things around him.

I join in with the colleagues in wishing Mr Smith a very happy retirement and thanking him for a quarter of a century of service to the Abbot's Lea School community – you will be missed, Pete!

Ania



Foreign Travel – COVID-19

Dear Families

Re: October half term break, foreign travel and COVID-19

As you know, Liverpool City Region is in the Tier 3, with advice against all non-essential travel.

I am writing to you today to raise an issue of some families planning to travel overseas during October half term break and then returning to Liverpool in time for Term 2.

Whilst this might be a minority of our families, the matter is important and so, it is in the interest of the whole school for me to share the guidance below:

I wish to raise awareness of the fact that, as a result of the restrictions in place regarding travel from some foreign countries, some people returning to the UK may need to [isolate for 14 days](#) as soon as they arrive, depending on where they have travelled from.

Any students returning from countries that are subject to restrictions will not be permitted to return to school for 14 days and should isolate at home. This is a vitally important measure to help control and contain COVID-19.

The list of countries requiring isolation for 14 days is constantly changing so please regularly check the latest version here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors>

I wanted to highlight the potential restrictions and the responsibility placed on the adults to check the above site upon return to the UK.

If you have made plans for overseas travel, please kindly send a confirmation of the destination and dates of travel to covid@abbotsleaschool.co.uk for our Track and Trace records.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Mrs A Hildrey
Headteacher



www.merseyfire.gov.uk

A message for Merseyside Schools this Halloween & Bonfire from Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service

To all Merseyside Schools

We at Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service are acutely aware that this year's bonfire period will be unlike any other. Our usual partnership work with schools involves visits to the schools which we know will not be possible in the current conditions. The local restrictions in place have also resulted in the cancellation of organised displays and diversionary activities, which we would normally signpost children and young people towards.

We understand that young people may be feeling anxiety, that they are being unfairly cooped up at home and unable to see friends, but it is more important than ever that they make the right choices in order to stay safe and stay out of trouble this Bonfire period.

With that in mind, we have worked with our communications team to produce some short videos which we would like you to share with your pupils to encourage them to think about their behaviour and make the right choices.

We have two new videos this year, one of which is an animation about making the right choice between positive and negative behaviour. This should be suitable for anyone and is available here <https://bit.ly/3lSoFVE>

The second is harder hitting and depicts serious and permanent injury as a result of firework misuse. While this is not graphic, serious injury is depicted in the soundtrack and we would suggest careful consideration should be made before showing to younger or sensitive children as it may upset them. You should review this video before showing it to pupils here <https://bit.ly/35g05rb>

We also have videos addressing issues such as attacks on fire crews and deliberate fire setting which we have updated for 2020 and are available here: <https://bit.ly/3dCtP5f>

We would suggest that these short videos are viewed before showing to pupils to ensure suitability for the age group of the audience.

You will also find a new leaflet with bonfire messages supplied with this message, it would be great if schools could display this on websites and attach to emails to parents etc. so our key messages reach parents as well as young people.

Have a happy and safe bonfire period,

Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service



Family Fund Sector Update

We're continuing to provide grants and all families can now apply online



Since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic, we have **continued to provide vital support to families**, and during this time, we have seen a significant increase in applications.

In May, the Department of Education provided a further **£10 million in additional funding** to the £27.3 million it had already committed to Family Fund, which has allowed us to support thousands more families.

This funding is still available, and all families, from those who are applying to us for the first time, or are applying again, can apply by:

- [Registering to apply online](#)
- [Downloading an application pack](#)
- [Ordering an application pack](#)

Please use the link below for further information:

<https://mailchi.mp/familyfund/familyfundsectorupdateoctober?e=e119c2292c>

Deputy Headteacher

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Dear Families

Blended Learning

On 23 October 2001, Apple released the iPod. 19 years ago today, the world was going crazy for this brand new, top of the range, all-singing, all-dancing piece of tech. And yet, the iPod is now considered quite old-fashioned. It has been replaced by newer technology that can do things quicker, better and with more ease. On the whole, as a nation, we have embraced this change.

In education too, we are facing huge changes in technology. 12 months ago, many schools had maybe heard of Microsoft Teams, Zoom and Google Classroom, but perhaps had not scrutinised which better suited their setting or evaluated the impact it could have on teaching practice – let alone introduced it.

I am mindful that for some students, engaging with school via Zoom is difficult. We will continue to strive to help children with these anxieties so that remote engagement (whether socially or professionally) is a tool they will be able to use in the future. For many students, they have taken to it far quicker than us adults!

As we reach the end of a long Term 1, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of our families, students and staff for embracing the government's concept of "blended learning." We know that teaching over a tablet is not ideal, but faced with the landscape of the pandemic I am very grateful for the technology available to us. I am in awe of all those innovative thinkers who have developed the technology at our fingertips.

I wish you a restful and healthy half term break. Stay safe.

Mrs Tobin

Deputy Headteacher

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Another busy week has flown by and we are now at the end of term 1. Each and every member of staff has gone above and beyond to ensure all of our students had the support they required to successfully return to lessons. It has been so lovely to see happy faces arrive in school each morning (staff and students!) and we are all beginning to shake off the difficulties experienced during the full national lockdown period.

We will continue in the same vein during term 2, with renewed energy and a commitment to getting to know our students even better. There will be differences of course, the run up to December normally includes our Christmas Fair, but we are working hard to include as many different activities as possible. Covid-19 will not defeat us!

Finally, as we reach the end of term 1, I wish to reassure all families that the Care and Safeguarding Department will continue to provide support over the holiday period. Please do get in touch with me if you require contact next week.

School Business Support

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We are finally there, the end of a very long term which saw our students and staff return to site after a long break from school. I am proud of all of them for the way they have coped and adapted to our new ways of working and safety measures.

I would like to say both happy birthday and happy retirement to Mr Smith who leaves us this week after many years working with Abbot's Lea School. Best wishes to you. We also say goodbye and good luck to Miss Quigley who leaves us this week.

Hope everyone stays safe and has a restful holiday.

Mr Andrew Cocklin, Head of Finance and Operations

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As we come to the end of a very different first term of the academic year, I would like to wish all our staff a really enjoyable half term and the opportunity to recharge their batteries. Lots' of new challenges have come our way over the last two months, but as a whole school team we have met them face on and ensured that we keep our school as safe as possible for everyone who attends and open to as many students as possible.

The work does not stop over half term, and we will be using this time to undertake numerous tasks, in particular to deep clean the whole school ready for the 2nd November return. My thanks in advance for the work that our Facilities and School Business support teams will be doing during this time.

So, I wish everyone an enjoyable half term and we look forward to seeing everyone back on the 2nd.

Key Stage News and Updates

Early Years and Key Stage 1 Miss O'Neill



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Ireland

In Ireland class this week, we have been having lots of spooky fun.

We have enjoyed themed stories such as 'The very Hungry Caterpillar's Creepy Crawly Halloween' and 'Funny Bones.' We have enjoyed our Pumpkin Patch, spider threading, ghost footprints and so much more.

We are so proud of everyone for having a fantastic first term back and hope you all have a great break!

Wales

This week in Wales Class, we have had a super spooky Halloween week! We have looked at some frightening books in English such as Funny Bones and Room on the Broom. We have explored the bones in our body and created our own skeleton. We also looked at rhyming words in the room in the broom and created some of our own. In Maths, we have used our 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables to count cauldrons and created times table mummies! In Science, we explored frozen hands and discussed what is solid and liquid. We made predictions on how we could release the creepy crawlies from inside our hands and made observations of this happening. We also completed lots of sensory activities such as spider racing. We used straws to blow our spiders across the finish line and used tweezers to catch the spider from its web. In PSHE, we looked at the Curious Caterpillar and discussed changes. We also had a spine-chilling Halloween party! We listened to the Monster Mash and created Halloween food. We have had a terrifying week in Wales Class! We hope you have a relaxing break and we are looking forward to seeing you all after half term.

Have a lovely weekend and a Happy Halloween!

Wales Class Team 🎃

Key Stage News and Updates

Key Stage 2
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Italy

This week in Italy class, we have been learning all about our new team and telling them all the things we like and dislike. We have also been exploring what Halloween looks like in different countries all around the world.

Portugal

We have had a great week and a great first term in Portugal! We have learnt so much and taken part in so many activities together!

It has been great watching the children settle back after such a long break and they have done so well!

Enjoy a nice rest over half term and we look forward to welcoming back the children with our new topic - Ancient Egypt!

Have a lovely break! 😊

France

We have had lots of fun in class France this week. As part of our Halloween theme, we have read the story of Room on the Broom. The students have written some lovely descriptive pieces about the characters and written their own potions. We also made delicious chocolate apples in Food Technology. The students had lots of fun exploring the school grounds as part of our Halloween scavenger hunt on Wednesday. Keep up the hard work class France!

Canada

This week in Canada class, we have enjoyed making marsh mellow monsters, designing our own pumpkins, and creating lots' of spooky Halloween decorations. We have also been reading a magical muddle.

On Thursday, we will take part in yoga and on Friday, we will enjoy some Halloween sensory tuff tray activities.

USA

USA have had a fantastic week. We started off, with talking about what we had done over the weekend and showed off our amazing writing skills by writing a recount. We also started to get ready for Halloween by designing are own pumpkins. We started to watch the music video Titanium and we made predictions on what was going to happen next. Class USA had some amazing ideas! We also developed are fine motor skills, cutting skills and our ability to follow instructions by making cardboard pumpkins. It was tricky but we kept going and they looked amazing when they were finished. Carrying on from predicting a music video, we discovered that there are many different genres of music. We listened to different pieces of music and used different coloured pencils to draw how it made us feel. We have also designed our own

Halloween houses. We used different materials to give them a 3D effect. Class USA have fantastic imaginations and are very creative. Well done USA, have a lovely half term.

Spain

As it is the last week before half term and Halloween is just around the corner Spain class are having a fun Halloween week of activities and stories starting the week with Tuff Trays full of spiders in a web and a variety of pumpkins and sand. The class started the week reading Funny Bones and creating a skeleton using cotton buds and a picture of their face to be stuck onto a body. The class made a mummy mask using threading skills and wool. In the afternoon, the class decorated giant marshmallows for Halloween. After listening to Tuesday's story was Room on a Broom the class made edible witches' hats out of biscuits, ice cream cones, melted chocolate and sprinkles then created a witch's potion using, vinegar, bicarbonate soda, washing up liquid, glitter and food colouring then watched it bubble away. In the afternoon, we did Halloween themed PE using our throwing and balancing skills. Wednesday's story was Winnie the Witch and the class made witch cupcakes and flying witches in the afternoon the class made their own cauldrons using paint and glitter and decorated their cupcakes. Thursday's story was Magic Muddle and fun class activities

Key Stage News and Updates

Key Stage 3

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Brazil

This week in Brazil class, we have continued reading 'A Kind Of Spark' by Elle McNicoll. Students have listened attentively to chapters 3 and 4 this week and have completed Kahoot comprehension quizzes at the end of these, with all students getting most questions right! In Maths, we have practised using real money and have worked hard to try to find a variety of ways to make the same amount of money. This week we have also completed an Art project, which involved us tracing a photograph of ourselves and transferring this onto canvas, after this, we painted our canvas in the colours of the rainbow. The students have worked extremely well this term and have settled back into school amazingly. The staff in Brazil are proud of each and every student in Brazil class and wish you all a relaxing half term.

Peru

Peru class this week have continued to look at poetry in English and writing our own poems. Maths we have started to look at perimeter and area. We learned how to calculate the perimeter of shapes. Geography we researched South America and all the capital cities next to each other. Science we looked at what speeds our heart rate up the importance of being active and designed our own exercise routine. Life skills, we looked at why pumpkins are used to represent Halloween, designing our own spooky Halloween pumpkins and carved them out. Well done Peru class for your excellent hard work this term have a lovely restful half term see you all in a week's time for term 2 of learning.

Mozambique

We have been learning all about adjectives in English and then using this to write a description of a spooky setting. In life skills, we have looked at friendships and also identified what is a bully and made anti-bullying posters to help all of the students remember what to do if they feel like they are being bullied. In French, we have learnt about Halloween and learnt some new spooky words in French! We have been getting creative and have created some Halloween crafts and made some monster slime! We had our final session with Katie the yoga teacher this week and we have all really improved our balancing, concentration and developed our mindfulness skills.

This week, we say goodbye to Mr Smith as he has decided to retire. Mr Smith has worked at our school for 23 years so he has definitely earned a rest! Mozambique class will miss him lots and would like to thank him for the help and support he has given to all of the students. Lastly, a BIG happy birthday to Mr Smith, enjoy your special day!

Botswana

This week in Botswana class, we have been taking part in lots of fun Halloween activities. On Monday, we created our own Halloween bowling pins and worked part of a team to play bowling to enhance our social interaction skills - this was super fun. We have been creating lots of Halloween decorations, posters and invitations, showing off our fantastic drawing, writing and computing skills. In Math, we have been working out addition and subtraction sums to code break Halloween riddles. We have shown great culinary skills by making Halloween biscuits and enjoying them afterward. We have been on a spooky Halloween trick or treat treasure hunt in the great outdoors, looking for and solving clues and puzzles to lead us to some sweet treasure treats. Overall, we have had a fantastic last week in school before the

half term. We wish you all a very restful yet enjoyable week off and a spectacular spooky Halloween. Botswana class☺

Madagascar

A fantastic week for class Madagascar! In Maths, we have been learning about inverse operations, in English, we have tried our hand at creative writing and in History, and we have been celebrating Black History Month. We would like to wish everybody a relaxing half term!

Kenya

In Kenya class this week, we had a new member of staff who joined our class team. Her name is Miss Joyce and she is our new HLTA. We want to give her a warm welcome! In English, we did a challenging comprehension on Tuesday which we all put great effort in with perseverance. We went through some of the questions on zoom with Mrs Wong. We started learning conjunctions, and how we can use them to build complex sentences. We looked at coordinating conjunctions which we can remember using the mnemonic FANBOYS. We also looked at subordinate conjunctions, subordinate clauses and how to punctuate sentences with subordinate clauses. We also did some fun Halloween activities such as quizzes and crafts.

Hope everyone will have a fantastic half term next week and stay safe! Enjoy your Halloween!

Seychelles

Seychelles class have all been fantastic this week! We have all had to isolate and everyone has coped tremendously. We have zoomed twice each day and completed lots of different tasks and work, which we have then shared with the class during our zoom sessions. Everyone has worked really hard from creating their own story lines and their own Kahoot quizzes! Well done to everyone. We hope you all have a great, well-rested half term and we cannot wait to get back to school all together again soon!

Fiji

Fiji class have been very busy this week. We have finished our lockdown boxes and photo albums ready to take home. All students have done their environmental projects and I am sure when they bring them home you are going to be very impressed. Fiji class have been a pleasure to teach in term one and we are excited for them to return for lots of new learning in term two. Have a wonderful half term break.

Cape Verde

Cape Verde have enjoyed looking at lessons around our topic Halloween this week, we've enjoyed looking at Mexico and the day of the dead in art, making candy skull masks. In Maths we have looked at Capacity and Volume, we have linked this to our English work with the story of Macbeth and the witch's potions!

We have enjoyed investigating during our morning mindfulness time, and are very grateful to farmer Olly and his dad from the sunflower maze Liverpool, for a great donation of sunflower heads and corn. The class used these to make bird food for all the wildlife in school!

We have welcomed Miss Spencer and Mr Makin into class this week we are so happy to have two new members of the class team. We have enjoyed a birthday party in class this week for Karim! Happy Birthday!

We have had a wonderful last week of term & hope you all have a restful break, and we will miss you all!

Cape Verde Class Team

Key Stage News and Updates

Key Stage 4

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Australia

It has been a good final week of term for Class Australia. We have enjoyed starting our new class read Alice in Wonderland, learning to read it aloud as both individuals and also as a whole class. The students also enjoyed their Life Skills lesson this week thinking about items that can and cannot be recycled. We would like to challenge our parents/carers to ask our students to help them with their own recycling at home. We are really proud as a staff team of how maturely our students have handled the challenges of this term and look forward to continuing our learning together soon. Enjoy half-term Class Australia.

Samoa

Samoa have enjoyed getting back into their normal routine this week and have produced an excellent display of their creative writing. We used coffee staining to make our stories look old, and illustrated them in the style of Quentin Blake. In maths, this week we focussed on solving the mystery of the missing pumpkins! The Halloween theme continued with us creating watercolour Frankenstein images, floating bats, word searches, and comprehension tasks. We used our research skills to produce a PowerPoint on the uniformed services, learnt how to create and colour code a timetable on word, and watched clips from David Attenborough's latest documentary to consolidate our understanding of how humans are damaging the oceans, rainforests and ice caps. The depth and breadth of knowledge and content in the work that followed was outstanding - well done! PE had us working our whole body and in History, we rounded up our learning on World War 1. We focussed on developing communication in life skills. A great week - well done everyone and enjoy half term!

Papua New Guinea

In life skills this week, we have looked at physical and mental health as part of our 'emotional wellbeing' unit for our qualification. Students looked into how these two different states of wellbeing have certain similarities and then enjoyed taking part in activities that were good for both their physical and mental wellbeing.

The gothic genre continued in English as we looked at describing a spooky setting or a scary scene. Alongside this, students got creative and created their very own Frankenstein's monster...The drawings were amazing and would be enough to give anyone fright!

Finally, in maths, students took part in a class 'who wants to be a millionaire' quiz. Everyone worked together as a team to reach the jackpot by using their maths skills and problem-solving techniques. It was great to see such fantastic team work in progress as well as the use of all your abilities.

Have a lovely and safe half term!

New Zealand

New Zealand have had a very productive week starting looking at non-renewable fuels and how they are formed. We have also enjoyed looking at the history of Halloween and the Mexican equivalent of The Day of The Dead. As part of Black History Month, the class have also been learning about The Slave Trade and Liverpool's history. Our Day of the Dead display is looking very colourful!

Tasmania

This week in Tasmania class, we have been putting our cooking skills to good use. Some of our students made themselves scrambled egg on toast for dinner, it was delicious! We have also been planning an exciting new feature film and using our Maths skills to add up the cost of costumes and props to check we do not go over budget!

Tasmania class has enjoyed lots of sensory playtime and created some beautiful loom bracelets. Finally, we enjoyed some Halloween themed crafts and learnt about the history of Halloween.

Have a fantastic half term Tasmania class and enjoy the rest. We look forward to welcoming your back for term 2.

Key Stage News and Updates

Key Stage 5

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Christmas Island

This week in Christmas Island, we have been focusing on travel training, learning how to use public busses, and how to appropriately behave whilst using public transport. Some students have been out in the community this week using public transport to go into town. We have also been learning how to calculate averages and some students have been applying this new knowledge to graphs and calculating average speeds.

Malawi

This week in Malawi class the students have been learning about safety in the community, we discussed various locations and the potential hazards they may have. We also discussed who can help us within the community, the students then completed a research task to find this information.

In Maths, we have been looking at the mean, mode, median and range and in English, we focussed on comprehension tasks. On Thursday, a group of students enjoyed a life skills activity. They used public transport and ordered food in a restaurant. The students did amazingly well with this task, confidently interacting with the public placing their orders and using money. Finally, to finish off the week we continued with travel training, the students took part in various road safety activities and quizzes.

Have a lovely half term!
Malawi class team

Happy Birthday!



TO

Joseph for 25 October
JayJay for 27 October
Ethan for 29 October
Jack for 30 October
Karim for 31 October
Lewis for 31 October
Kassia for 1 November
Jack for 2 November
Oscar and Archie for 4 November

We wish you all a **Wonderful Birthday** and have fun!



Students of the Week

Early Years and Key Stage One		
Ireland	Wyatt	for being a great friend
Wales	Archie	for joining in whole class activities
Nurture		
Spain	Jacob	for coming to school completing his activities and meeting new people
Cape Verde	Andy	for working well as part of a team & helping friends
Tasmania	Paige	for her excellent cooking skills and acting in a mature manner
Key Stage Two		
Italy	Charlie	for always trying his best
Portugal	Ansel	for always being enthusiastic
France	Oscar	for interacting well with friends in the classroom
Canada	Lottie	for having a smiley, can do attitude and for being a kind friend
USA	Stephen	for being determined and showing resilience
Key Stage Three		
Brazil	Brandon	for having an enthusiastic and positive attitude towards his activities this week
Peru	Jack	for staying positive and being happy
Mozambique	Paul	for being really safe and sensible when walking to his taxi
Botswana	Ciaran	for his fantastic creation of posters and decorations and being a kind friend to his peers
Madagascar	Royle	for fantastic writing in English
Kenya	Patrice	Worked really hard all week and not been afraid to ask for help when he needs it
Seychelles	Leighton	for taking part in zoom sessions and completing good work at home! Well Done Leighton!
Fiji	Matthew	for taking part in his first full PE lesson
Key Stage Four		
Australia	Kieran	for his exception work on his poster
Papua New Guines	Yusuf	for working really hard in English this week, well done!
New Zealand	Nathan	for doing fabulous reading and spelling
Samoa	Matthew	for getting involved in the class debates
Malawi	Lewis	for showing kind behaviour to his fellow students whilst out in the community
Christmas Island	Charlie	for returning to school after isolating and getting stuck in with all the class activities and socializing with his peers

Week 8 Photos







