



Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (4) Friday 2nd October 2026



Collective Worship
Reflections



This week during our worship times, we explored the British value of Individual Liberty alongside our school value of Love, through the Bible story of The Lost Son. The children learned that while we all have the freedom to make our own choices, we sometimes make mistakes. In the story, we saw how the father welcomed his son home with open arms and a big hug, showing that forgiveness and love are always there to support us. The children reflected on the themes. Jacob said, "When we make a mistake, we can talk about it". Amaya said "Say sorry if you do something unkind". Harper D shared "I helped Chloe with her writing".

REMINDERS

Tuesday 6th	Movie 'n' Munch – please complete and return booking form asap
Wednesday 7th	1.45pm School tour for September 2027 starters
Friday 9th	Hello Yellow Day – Young Minds Charity raising awareness of young mental health
Tuesday 13th	Harvest Service in church (2pm) - all welcome



Celebrating
Our Core Values

NIGHTINGALE

Maisie – Perseverance - she is trying really hard in all her learning and is becoming more independent.

Barney - Inspire - he has been finding lots of opportunities to write sentences this week and has inspired us with his phonic skills.

ANNING

Josh Graham - **Perseverance** - Josh has shown great focus and effort in his work this week. He showed perseverance with rounding in Maths.

Ada Jeffery - **Love** - Ada always shows love to her classmates, friends and staff with her thoughtful and kind actions.

BOWIE

Daisy - Respect - for trying really hard this week to sit SHARP and following instructions. Well done Daisy, keep it up!

Eddie - Perseverance - for trying really hard to perfect his formation in his writing. Amazing work Eddie!

ZEPHANIAH

Tamsin - Perseverance - for going that 'extra mile' with maths this week, with a great attitude and a careful, tactical approach to processes of learning!

Whitney - Respect - for always showing a great attitude to learning, following classroom rules and routines and generally just showing a FANTASTIC attitude this week!



Congratulations go to:

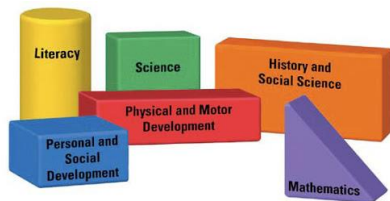
- **Amelia** in Nightingale for always helping to tidy away the equipment.
- **Evelyn** in Zephaniah for being kind and always helpful.

Out of School Achievements

Congratulations go to **Dottie, Nelly, Isobel, Anya, Ada J, Jacob, Abigail, Lacey, Ava R, Isla R, Isla S, Matilda, Rowan, Theodore, Barney and Lola** for taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge over the holidays. They were awarded with their certificates of participation at our WoW Worship this afternoon.

A big well done to all of you!

If your child achieves an award, medal or trophy through participating in an outside-of-school club or activity, we would love to hear about it and congratulate them at our weekly Wednesday worship. Please bring certificates etc to the school office.



Our Curriculum



Anning Class – Forest School

This week in Forest School, Anning Class had the challenge of collecting signs of Autumn and creating an animal picture with the items they found. They managed to create some fantastic artwork. Can you guess the creatures?



BrightBites

We had a visit today from Katie and Sam from BrightBites through the Dentaaid Dental Charity. The ladies gave two age-appropriate presentations to the children on the importance of teeth brushing and oral hygiene. The children engaged brilliantly in both sessions and were pleased to receive a new toothbrush set each, along with a booklet to remind them of all the information they have learned about today!



Updates

New Look After-School Club

Last week we sent an e-mail about changes to our After-School club. We are now offering a Study Club - see below for details - please book via the Arbor parent portal. This is an opportunity for your child to complete homework and daily reading with a trained member of support staff. During this session, your child could also receive extra support with areas of learning they may struggle with in class. The expectation in this club will follow our normal classroom expectations of SHARP:

	3:30-3:45	3:45 – 4:30	4:30 – 5:15
Monday	Healthy Snack and Drink	Multi-sports Playtime	Study Club– homework help, daily reading, learning support with reading, writing and maths Quiet activities - reading, puzzles, colouring etc
Tuesday	Healthy Snack and Drink	Craft Activity Playtime	Study Club– homework help, daily reading, learning support with reading, writing and maths Quiet activities - reading, puzzles, colouring etc
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Hello Yellow Day – Friday 9th October

On Friday 9th October we will be taking part in Hello Yellow Day to raise awareness of and support young people's mental health. As a school we will be focusing on activities that promote good mental health (more details to follow). In addition, it will be a non-uniform day and we are asking everyone to wear something yellow. This could be a t-shirt, dress, hair accessory or socks! Right now, the world is a really tough place for children and young people to grow up in. We want our children to know that they don't have to go through this alone. Things can get better!

National TA Day



Our Teaching Assistants are an integral part of our team here in School and so it was lovely that we were able to show our appreciation with a special breaktime treat so that they could celebrate National TA Day together.

We simply cannot thank them enough for everything they do in school - a large percentage of which is probably not outlined on any job description!

School Open Events

Please see the end of this newsletter for details of our school tours for new starters in September 2027 – please contact the school office to book in.



Movie 'n' Munch is happening next Tuesday, 6th October. If you are able to volunteer some time to help with this event, please tick the box on the reply form or contact the PTA directly via email: ptfa.templecombeschool@aol.com



As you know we are signed up to [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk). They are running the **Big Grocery Bonus** from 1st to 31st October. If parents, staff and our wider school community order their groceries via one of the participating supermarkets (Tesco, Asda, Sainsbury's, Morrisons, Waitrose or Iceland) by 31st October, our school will be in the draw to win a £500 donation. Plus, with easyfundraising, each time our supporters shop with the supermarkets above this October, a cashback donation is raised for our school at no extra cost. Use the QR code to sign up or visit this link:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=443060&invite=RDAMD3&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_source=easyfundraising-app&utm_medium=referral&utm_content=copy-link or.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 14th October at 7pm** in school which will be mostly concentrating on Christmas Fayre planning. Please do come along, meet the team and consider how you might be able to support, in whatever way you can – without a growth in this leadership team, many events will simply not be able to take place this year. If you are unable to attend meetings but would like to share ideas, please contact the PTA

Upcoming PTA Events:

6/10/2026	Movie 'n' Munch
21/10/2026	Glo-Disco and non-uniform day – wear bright colours PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE
27/11/2026	Non-uniform day in exchange of a donation of chocolate for the Tombola stall at Christmas Fayre
4/12/2026	Christmas Fayre
17/12/2026	Elf day

And finally...

It has been another busy week in school. Lots of great learning and interesting activities for the children to be excited about. Wishing everyone a lovely weekend!

Mrs Brazier

DIARY DATES - 2026/27 Autumn Term

If text is highlighted in green this is a change / addition to the diary dates

OCTOBER:

Tuesday 6 th	Movie 'n' Munch
Wednesday 7 th	1.45pm School tour for September 2027 starters
Friday 9 th	Hello Yellow Day – Young Minds Charity raising awareness of young mental health
Tuesday 13 th	2pm Harvest Celebration in Church – all welcome
Thursday 15 th	9.45am School tour for September 2027 starters Treat Shop Thursday
Wednesday 21 st	PTA Glo-Disco and non-uniform day – wear bright colours
Friday 23 rd	House challenge To Be Confirmed 3.30pm School closes for half term

26th October to 30th October - HALF TERM

NOVEMBER:

Monday 2nd	INSET Day – school closed
Sunday 8 th	Remembrance Sunday – Church Service
Wednesday 11 th	Whole School Act of Remembrance, 11am at Templecombe War Memorial
Thursday 12 th	Visiting Pantomime
Friday 13 th	Children in Need fundraiser
Monday 16 th	Parents Evenings 3.40pm to 5pm. Times may differ slightly. More info later
Tuesday 17 th	Parents Evenings 3.40pm to 6.30pm. Times may differ slightly. More info later
Friday 27 th	Non-uniform day for chocolate for Tombola at Christmas Fayre

DECEMBER:

Thursday 3 rd	House challenge – Tree Decoration
Friday 4 th	PTFA Christmas Fayre (No After Fun provision)
Monday 7 th	Nativity – dress rehearsal
Tuesday 8 th	9.15am Nativity to parents / 2.15pm Nativity to parents
Tuesday 15 th	Christmas Song Showdown
Wednesday 16 th	9.05am End of Term Awards
Thursday 17 th	PTA Elf Day / Whole School Christmas Lunch
Friday 18 th	Christmas Jumper/Outfit Day 2pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church 3pm School Closes for Christmas (No After Fun provision)

21st DECEMBER to 1st JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY:

Monday 4 th	School re-opens
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***Please note:** all activities/events mentioned above are subject to postponement or cancellation at short notice in line with any change in Government guidelines/internal school staffing pressures.*



A vibrant poster for a 'Stay & Play' session. At the top, there's a sun, a rainbow, and the school's circular logo. The main title 'NEW SEPTEMBER INTAKE' is in a yellow banner, followed by 'STAY & PLAY' in large, colorful letters. Below this, text invites new September intake children and families to join for a session. It lists three activities: 'Meet our friendly staff' (with a group of people icon), 'Explore the classroom' (with a classroom icon), and 'Play with our resources' (with a house and blocks icon). A calendar icon indicates dates: 12 October • 22 October and 10 November • 20 November, with a time slot of 3:45 – 4:30pm. At the bottom, it says 'Come and see what makes our school so special!' and 'Small school • Big futures' with a rainbow and blocks illustration.

NEW SEPTEMBER INTAKE
STAY & PLAY

We would love to invite our new September intake children and families to join us for a Stay & Play session!

This is a great opportunity to:

- Meet our friendly staff
- Explore the classroom
- Play with our resources

12 October • 22 October
10 November • 20 November
3:45 – 4:30pm

Come and see what makes our school so special!

Small school • Big futures



A poster for a school tour. It features the school's name 'Abbass and Templecombe Church School' at the top, followed by a cartoon character wearing sunglasses. The main question is 'Is your child starting primary school in September 2022?'. Below this, it says 'Please come for a tour of our School and meet our staff'. A paragraph invites parents to visit the school, meet the Head of School and Early Years Staff, and apply for a place. It lists tour dates: Monday 28th September at 9.45am, Wednesday 7th October at 1.45pm, and Thursday 15th October at 9.45am. Contact information for Michelle Greene is provided. The poster ends with 'We hope to see you soon' and a butterfly illustration.

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Is your child starting primary school in September 2022?

Please come for a tour of our School and meet our staff

You are warmly invited to visit our school and see it 'in action'. You will be welcomed by our Head of School and have the opportunity to meet our Early Years Staff. We hope to be able to answer any questions you may have related to the school and applying for a place. We will also be able to share our Parent's Guide which provides more information.

The tours will take place on:
Monday 28th September at 9.45am
Wednesday 7th October at 1.45pm
Thursday 15th October at 9.45am

To book on a tour, please contact Michelle Greene by email at enquiries@atbwmat.org or by phone on 01963 370481. If these dates are not convenient or you would prefer an individual tour, please let us know your availability and we will do our best to accommodate you.

We hope to see you soon