



# Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (1) Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025



## Collective Worship Reflections



In our collective worships we have been discussing New Year's Resolutions and being Agents of Change; basically doing something positive in our lives or to improve the lives of others. From our reflection time together, Bowie Class children's suggestions included being nicer to siblings and family, keeping bedrooms tidy and getting a good night's sleep. Whilst in Anning Class, Phoebe shared that her New Year's Resolution is to drink more water to stay healthy and Freddie S said his resolution is to help homeless people. From Zephaniah Class, Oscar shared "I want to have a good morning routine rather than staying in bed till we leave for school and I want to practice my corners in football".



## Updates

### Parent Code of Conduct

You will have received a letter in your child's bag and the Code of Conduct has been emailed out to parents today. We ask that you take the time to read it thoroughly and ensure you are clear on the expectations and procedures outlined within it. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in upholding our school values.

### Year 5 and 6 Bikeability Course – 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>h</sup> February

We have arranged a cycle training course, in conjunction with Somerset Road Safety, to take place in school over two days on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> February. The Bikeability course has been designed to give the next generation the skills and confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads. To enable this course to run, we need adult helpers with a roadworthy bike and bike helmet to accompany the children across the 2 days – it doesn't have to be the same person every day so if you can volunteer your time, even if it is just for one of the days, please do contact the school office. If you would like your Year 5 or Year 6 child to attend the course please do let the school office know: places will be allocated with Year 6 children taking priority and only those who have not done the course before may apply. Children will need a roadworthy bicycle, a bike helmet and be confident enough to ride on the roads around Templecombe.

### House Winners!!

As you will know, last term we re-launched our Houses (Oak, Yew and Sycamore) and children participated in our first House Challenge to win a bonus of 50 points. The winners of our first House Challenge with a beautifully decorated tree were Oak house, they did a great job! This week we counted the points for each house, and I am delighted to announce the winners were **Oak House** – with a brilliant 112 points! As a reward, children from Oak House will be able to come to school in non-uniform on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January** (please ensure your child wears appropriate footwear for outdoor play and brings a coat). If you are unsure which house your child is in, please check with their teacher. Details of this term's House Challenge will be coming soon...

## Family First Magazine

Please click on the link to see view the latest edition: <https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue1-25>

### NHS Pharmacy First Service (Boots Pharmacies)

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that can help children feel better and back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service. There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service. Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

Common condition	Patient eligibility
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over

*\*NHS Pharmacy First Service: In pharmacies in England only. Subject to availability. Treatment is subject to suitability assessment. Normal NHS prescription charge rules apply.*



### Bag2School

We have a Bag2School collection arranged for Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January – a leaflet came home with your child today containing details of what can be donated. Please bring bags to the lower playground gate by 9am on that morning.

### And finally...

It has been a very chilly but super first week back! It was lovely to hear all about the exciting activities the children took part in over Christmas. Here's to a great start to our new school term.

*Mrs Brazier*

## DIARY DATES - 2024/25 Academic Year

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

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### JANUARY:

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>** 6pm Governors Meeting

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>** PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

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### FEBRUARY:

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup>** Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>** Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)

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Friday 14<sup>th</sup> **3.30pm School closes for half term**

**17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY to 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY - HALF TERM**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> School re-opens  
6pm Governors Meeting

**MARCH:**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Pancake Day activities (House Challenge Spring 2)

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Parents evening 3.40pm-5pm  
6pm Governors Meeting

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Parents evening 3.40pm-6.30pm

**APRIL:**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.05am End of Term Awards

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Experience in Church

**3pm School Closes for the Easter Break** (No After Fun provision)

**7<sup>th</sup> APRIL to 21<sup>st</sup> APRIL – EASTER BREAK**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> INSET Day – school closed**

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> School re-opens

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> - Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Yr5 Residential

**MAY:**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday – school closed**

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> SATS Week

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> 6pm Governors Meeting

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> KS1 Multi-Skills Festival

19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Year 6 Residential

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> **3.30pm School closes for half term**

**26<sup>th</sup> MAY to 30<sup>th</sup> MAY - HALF TERM**

**JUNE:**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> School re-opens

16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> Year 3/4 Residential

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> **INSET Day – school closed**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> 6pm Governors Meeting

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> KS2 Top Link Festival

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Non-uniform day for sweets for Summer Fayre

**JULY:**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Swap a class afternoon **To Be Confirmed**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> School Sports Event / PTFA Summer Fayre

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please  
*Yr6 Production – arrangements to follow*

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 6pm Governors Meeting

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Yr6 Trip

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Whole School Fun Day

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Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

9.05am End of Term Awards

2pm Leavers Service in school

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**3pm School Closes for the Summer Break** (No After Fun provision)

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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.

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