



Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (3) Friday 15th May 2026



Collective Worship Reflections



This week in Collective Worship we continued to consider our school value of respect and how some of the major Bible characters demonstrated respect in the way they interacted with one another and the world around them. Children reflected and shared how they demonstrate respect to each other and to God’s creation. Excellent examples of respect were shown during our annual talent show this afternoon, with children giving all the acts their attention and praise.

REMINDERS

18th to 21st	Year 6 Residential
Friday 22nd	3.30pm School closes for half term (After School Clubs will still run)



Worker of the Week



NIGHTINGALE

Nancy for amazing work in Maths this week. Nancy also asked for her own writing book to take home and she came back to school with some beautiful writing. Well done Nancy, keep up the good work!

Jordy is always a super helpful member of Nightingale, however, this week he was also noticed by two other Teachers. Well done Jordy!

BOWIE

Harry has worked very hard on his independent writing this week, writing so fantastic sentences.

Harvey has worked hard to write some really interesting sentences and to remember his finger spaces.

ANNING

Martha for showing great determination and resilience when doing times tables practise!

Gabriel for creating a beautiful fantasy story with heart, excitement and excellent vocabulary!

ZEPHANIAH

Cory for adding lots of personality to engage the reader when writing his commentary about 'The High Diving Giraffes!'

Year 6 for an amazing attitude towards their SATs test this week.



Congratulations go to:

Chloe in Bowie for being polite and saying please and thank you at the table.

Sienna for always helping after lunch in the hall.



Congratulations go to:

➤ **Jackson** in Bowie for achieving his Silver Templecombe Token award.

➤ **Alice** in Zephaniah for achieving her Gold Templecombe Token award.

Out of School Achievements

Congratulations to:

➤ **Isaac** in Zephaniah for being awarded a Distinction in Grade 2 Classical Guitar from Trinity College London

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.



Year 6

A huge congratulations to our incredible Year 6 pupils for being absolutely amazing during SATs Week! We are so proud of the resilience, determination and positive attitudes they have shown throughout the week. They approached every test with maturity and gave each paper their very best effort.

More importantly, they supported one another, stayed calm and demonstrated just how much they have grown during their time at primary school. SATs are only a small snapshot of their achievements and we already know how talented, capable and hardworking they are. Well done, Year 6 – you have truly impressed us all and now you can look forward to your well-deserved Residential adventure next week!



Executive Function Skills

Executive function skills help us plan, organise, manage time and control impulses. These skills develop gradually throughout childhood. When children struggle with organisation or starting tasks, they need guidance and structure, not criticism. With modelling and support, these skills strengthen over time.



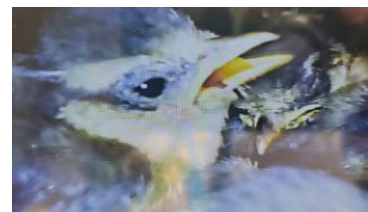
Templecombe's Got Talent!

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the Talent Show this afternoon and it was lovely to see how respectful all the children were in encouraging their peers and applauding all efforts. Thank you too, to parents for ensuring props/costumes etc were sent into school. You can see from the photos that we enjoyed a very varied selection of acts from across the school including singing, comedy, dancing, gymnastics, musical instruments and martial arts. Well done to all who participated – it takes courage to stand up in front of the whole school and perform! After deliberation from the judges, Sycamore was crowned the winning House.



Spring Arrivals

Spring has brought plenty of excitement to Abbas and Templecombe Church School as our school has become a haven for new life! Our much-loved Blackbird, affectionately named Mini Eggs after first nesting in our outdoor classroom during Easter last year, has returned and is now successfully rearing two chicks. As if that wasn't exciting enough, a Blue Tit has also made itself at home in one of our school bird boxes and is now caring for five noisy chicks, filling our days with the cheerful sound of chirping. The children (and staff) have loved watching nature unfold right on our doorstep and are eagerly following every new development.



Empowering Parents – online workshop

By popular demand, the next session in the Empowering Parents programme will focus on Online Gaming. While this will not be a brand-new session, there have been a huge number of questions, comments and contributions during previous discussions on this topic so it is timely to revisit this area. There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion throughout the session, whilst also making sure the topic itself is covered fully and in a way that is practical, relevant and useful for parents. The session will take place online at 6pm on Thursday 21st May, and parents and carers can register for a place here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1989208887330?aff=oddtcreator>



Summer Fayre update

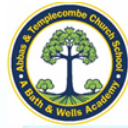
A reminder of our **non-uniform day** on **Friday 26th June** in exchange for donation of sweets for our Sweet Tombola. We are looking for volunteers to run stalls so if you feel able to help at all in the run up to the event or on the day, whether setting up or manning a stall for a short while during the fayre, please contact the PTA on their email ptfa.templecombeschool@aol.com or speak to the school office staff.

We hope you all have an enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Brazier

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Is your child starting primary school in September 2027?

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:
Thursday 11th June at 9.45am
Wednesday 17th June at 1.45pm
Monday 29th June at 10am

To book on a tour, please contact Michelle Greene by email at enquiries@at.bwmat.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

ACTIVITIES

Half Term Holiday Activities: Bugs, Bats & Butterflies

Investigate some of the winged wonders that visit Wells Cathedral, and try fun-filled family activities that can help support biodiversity at home.



Bat Trail
Saturday 23 to Sunday 31 May, 9am–4.30pm
Follow our bat trail and contribute to our growing bat roost tree.



Beautiful Butterflies
Tuesday 26 May, 10.30am–3.30pm
Learn about pollinators and make a butterfly feeder or try paper butterfly crafts.



Brilliant Bats
Wednesday 27 May, 10.30am–3.30pm
Find out about the bats that visit the Cathedral with a fun, interactive talk, and make a flapping bat toy.



Beds for Bugs
Thursday 28 May, 10.30am–3.30pm
Help us give our bug hotel a makeover, and make your own mini version to hang at home.

Admission included with entry to Wells Cathedral.
No need to book – simply drop in on the day!
Plan your visit online at wells cathedral.org.uk/holidays



Standard adult admission tickets include re-entry for 12 months from date of purchase, so you can enjoy access to a number of seasonal events, including exhibitions and Half Term Holiday Activities beyond your initial visit. Please note that children must be accompanied by a responsible adult and only assistance dogs are allowed at these activities.

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FREE Parent and Carer Workshops:



Each session will create a safe supportive space where parents and carers can engage in a way that feels comfortable for them, including anonymous contributions and end-of-session questions.

You only need to attend **ONE** workshop.

Duration: 1.5 hour workshop + 30 mins Q&A

Online (live only):

Monday 20th April 2026, 7pm-9pm (please login by 6:55pm) - **Parents of Secondary Pupils** - Talking about sex and relationships with your teen: What parents need to know.

To book and for further information:

<https://somersetcounciltraining.co.uk/Event/293295>

Monday 11th May 2026, 7pm-9pm (please login by 6:55pm) - **Parents of SEND Learners** - Supporting your SEND child with Bodies, Boundaries and Relationships.

To book and for further information:

<https://somersetcounciltraining.co.uk/Event/293311>

Monday 8th June 2026, 7pm-9pm (please login in by 6:55pm) - **Parents of children ages 0-11, Early years professionals welcome too** - Starting the Conversation: Bodies, Boundaries and Relationships for the Early Years and Primary aged children.

To book and for further information:

<https://somersetcounciltraining.co.uk/Event/293313>

These sessions will be led by Alice Hoyle, national RSHE expert-educator and co-author of Great Relationships and Sex Education and Becoming a Sensory-Aware School. Alice is a neurodivergent professional and parent of neurodivergent children, offering both expert guidance and lived experience to support truly inclusive, sensory-aware RSHE.

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DIARY DATES - 2025/26 Academic Year

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

MAY:

18th to 21st Year 6 Residential

Friday 22nd **3.30pm School closes for half term (After School Clubs will still run)**

25th MAY to 29th MAY – HALF TERM

JUNE:

Monday 1st INSET Day – school closed

Tuesday 2nd School re-opens

Thursday 4th Treat Shop Thursday

Mon 8th/Tue 9th Phonics screening check

Tue 9th / Wed 10th Y4 Multiplication check

Tuesday 9th PTA Summer Disco

Thursday 11th EYFS School Tour @ 9.45am

Monday 15th KS2 Top Link Festival @ KA

Tuesday 16th Open afternoon/stay and play 3:30-4:15pm

Wednesday 17th EYFS School Tour @ 9.45am

Thursday 18th Whole School Trip – to be confirmed

Tuesday 23rd Muddy Church

Friday 26th Non-uniform day for sweets for Tombola at Summer Fayre

Monday 29th EYFS School Tour @ 9.45am

	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only) Email the school office in advance to book
Tuesday 30th	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)
JULY:	
Thursday 2nd	Treat Shop Thursday
Friday 3rd	School Sports Event / PTFA Summer Fayre
Wednesday 8th	Swap a class afternoon
W/C Mon 13th	<i>Yr6 Production – arrangements to follow</i>
Friday 17th	Reports sent home
Monday 20th	Yr6 Trip
Tuesday 21st	Whole School Fun Day
Wednesday 22nd	9.05am End of Term Awards / 2pm Leavers Service in school

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

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.