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Collective Worship

This week we have looked at the story of Moses from when he was saved from the River Nile as a baby, to when God spoke to him in the desert through a burning bush. God had a plan for Moses and put people in his life to help him achieve these goals. We have looked this week at the plans we have for our lives and who might help us achieve these – the children had some great ideas. In Ruby class Tyler W shared that he wants to be a mathematician and Rose that she wants to ride horses. In Emerald class Jessica shared that she wants to be the Prime Minister and Alfie wants to be a train driver. Ruby and Emerald class also shared their steps to success to achieve their goals / dreams. Diamond class shared who can and does look after them. In Topaz class Henry shared, “God turned Moses’ walking stick into a snake so when he went to try to set his people free, he could show that he had power from God”. Livia said, “God knew that Moses would survive because he had plans for him, like he has plans for us. I want to be an author and I hope God has plans for me”.

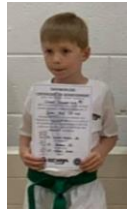


The burning bush by Marcus (Topaz class)



Praise

As we cannot run our monthly praise assemblies at the moment, we thought it would be nice to congratulate children on their achievements both in and out of school through our weekly newsletter. If you would like to share your child’s success with the school community, please email the school office by Thursday lunchtime with the details (please do not send certificates/trophies into school). To start us off, we congratulate Charlie C-S on gaining his green belt, which makes him a 6th kup in



TaeKwondo. Also Charlie C-S, Cameron, Rebecca and Charlie S have been taking part in a snap kick challenge this week with Rebecca scoring 176, Charlie S 192, Charlie C-S 210 and Cameron 155 all in only one minute. Well done everyone.

Staffing

Your children may have mentioned some new staff helping in class. We are pleased to welcome Miss Wadlow in Diamond Class and Miss Rouillier in Ruby Class. Both ladies are apprentices studying for their level 3 teaching assistant qualification. We have also welcomed a student teacher, Miss Teasdale, in Diamond Class and she will be with us until April.

PTA

Emails

The PTA now have their own email (templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com) and would like to use this to arrange bookings and publicise their events/activities directly to parents. Due to GDPR regulations parents need to opt-in so if you are happy to do so, please drop them an email containing your name as well as your child’s name, class and year group.

Christmas cards and gifts designed by your child

All the children’s designs were sent home this week – please check your child’s bag if they haven’t shown you their lovely picture yet! There is quite a quick turnaround on this with the deadline for orders being Monday 12th October - please complete the order form and return it to school on Monday, submitting your BACS payment online at the same time. Bank details are on the letter accompanying the order form. Any orders received after the 12th October will not be processed. The mugs and cushions make great gifts you can give to the family, and the children love them too. Thank you for your support. All funds raised go towards school projects.



Terracycle/Music Magpie

The PTA have kindly taken over some of the recycling projects that were formerly run by Eco-Council. Please continue to deliver your collections of empty crisp packets, etc into the allocated wheelie bins outside the school office. A quick reminder of what are we collecting:



- All crisp packets, any size, including the bag for multi packs.
- Laundry products - washing tablet tubs or packets. Softener bottles (all sizes), all household wipes (including baby wipes) boxes and packets.
- Bottle tops
- Old books, DVDs, computer games and CDs ~ as long as they have a bar code.



Everything donated makes money for our school and will enable us to buy some lovely things for the children. These are ongoing schemes so please continue to drop items in the labelled bins.



AmazonSmile If you have an Amazon account, please sign up to "AmazonSmile" and search for "Friends of Abbas and Templecombe Primary School" then with every qualifying purchase you make on Amazon, they donate 0.5% to us. This is a great scheme, is simple to set up and with more of us shopping online in this current climate, it is a great way to make funds from Amazon.

Clothes recycling A reminder that our next collection will be on 9th November. Please have a clear out and donate on the 9th! Please note: cuddly toys are no longer accepted.

Thank you from the PTA team.



Flu vaccinations



Some families missed the consent deadline but still wish to have their children vaccinated. If this is the case, please contact the Somerset SAINT team who are running mop up sessions across the county throughout this term. Please note, this vaccine is not available to school aged children from their GP practice unless they have a medical condition that puts them in an at-risk group. Families can email somersetssaint@somersetft.nhs.uk or call on 0300 323 0032 to make an appointment at one of their community clinics.

Secondary School Applications

If your child is due to transfer to secondary school for September 2021, it is now time to make your application. The deadline for secondary phase applications is 31st October 2020. Please apply online by visiting <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/>

Our local secondary schools are offering a variety of ways to 'virtually' experience their schools - please do visit their websites for more detailed information.



Covid Risk Assessment and Information

If parents would like to view our Covid Risk Assessment or Information Guides for parents they can be viewed on our website on <https://abbastemplecombeprimary.co.uk/covid-19/>.

We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

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