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## Newsletter (6) Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Collective Worship

This week we have continued to look at the story of Moses from when he led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt to how God looked after them as they moved across the desert. During our reflection assembly, Grace from Topaz class shared 'Moses kept on persevering and didn't give up' and Amelia, Jacob and Logan from Diamond class shared 'If something is tricky we need to think, ask for help and keep on going.'



### Harvest



Usually we would celebrate Harvest by visiting the church and having a celebration service with many pupils bringing gifts of food for those in need. This year we cannot have our usual thanksgiving service but with more in our community in need, we felt we should still have a collection. Therefore on Monday there will be a collection box at each gate for pupils and parents to place a donation of tinned or dried foods. These will be collected and placed into food parcels by The Lord's Larder, who continue to distribute to those in need in and around Templecombe. Although it is great to give, please only do so if you can.

### Praise

During normal times we enter many local area tournaments run by King Arthur's School. Inter-school tournaments are not currently taking place but we can still compete against each other and other schools through special inter-school challenges. This week Topaz class took on the other local schools in football Keepie Up and Tap Down 1 minute challenges. We don't know our final places but well done to our internal competition winners:



Challenge	Year 5 Girls		Year 5 Boys		Year 6 Girls		Year 6 Boys	
Keepie Ups	28	Ruby	50	Memphis	37	Lily-May	73	Patrick
Tap Downs	36	Ruby	60	Memphis	38	Lily-May	52	Patrick



### Parent / Carer consultations – Autumn Term

A letter has come home with your child today to explain how we will be conducting our Autumn parent / carer consultations – please do look out for this letter and have your responses back to us by next Wednesday.

### New Starter Tours 2021 - Reception

This year's EYFS tours will be conducted virtually via Teams, involving a video tour and following this an opportunity to ask Mr Webb questions. There will be three opportunities to join a tour:

- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 1.30pm
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 9.30am

Please email Mrs Greene to book a place on a tour – [mgreene1@educ.somerset.gov.uk](mailto:mgreene1@educ.somerset.gov.uk).



### 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 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

Please apply online by visiting <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/>

## PTA

### Emails

The PTA now have their own email ([templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com](mailto: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.

### Fundraising

Although traditional fundraising is challenging at the moment we are pleased to announce that the recent Christmas card order has made just over £200 profit and the boxes we sent to Terracycle raised just over £16. Every pound raised goes towards school projects and events for children.



**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 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

## 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.

*J. Webb*

Mr Webb

The poster features the ChatHealth logo at the top left and the Somerset County Council logo at the top right. In the center, a magnifying glass is positioned over a rainbow-colored bar. To the left of the bar are four colored arrows pointing right, each containing text: a pink arrow for 'Parent advice & support', an orange arrow for 'Healthy lifestyles', a blue arrow for 'School transitioning', and a purple arrow for 'Emotional health'. Below the magnifying glass, the text reads: 'is your child 5-19 and are you looking for confidential help and support?'. At the bottom left, it says 'A safe and easy way to contact your School Nursing Team' followed by 'Just send a text or scan me' and the large number '07480 635 515'. At the bottom right, there is an illustration of a hand holding a smartphone with a QR code on the screen and the words 'SCAN ME' above it.

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