



Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (12) Friday 17th July 2026



Collective Worship
Reflections



In Collective Worship we continue to consider our school values and how these can be applied in our everyday lives. This week we looked at the values of love and perseverance, with the story of The Wise and Foolish Builders (Matthew 7:24–27). Love and perseverance help us build strong foundations for our lives and relationships. When challenges come, our values help us stay strong and make good choices. Children reflected and shared their thoughts on these three questions: Which school value has helped you most this term? What challenge have you overcome recently? How can you continue to live out our values every day?

REMINDERS

Monday 20th	Yr6 Treat (arrangements already shared)	
Tuesday 21st	Whole School Fun Day with Whole School picnic lunch	
Wednesday 22nd	9.15am End of Term Awards	2pm Leavers Service in school (Yr6 families invited)
3pm School Closes for the Summer Break (No After Fun provision)		



FUN DAY
Bouncy Wet
Creative Wild



We are all very excited for our Fun Day on Tuesday 21st July and like last year there will be four fun zones which classes will rotate around:

- Bouncy – obstacle course, bouncy castle, giant games
- Wet – water slide, water games, giant bubbles, the stocks (please see below for kit list)
- Creative – circus skills, crafts, trike track
- Wild – Forest School adventures

Children will also get to enjoy an ice-lolly whilst they move around the various zones. At lunchtime we will be having a picnic lunch on the field, sitting in classes. Therefore, your child will need to bring a packed lunch unless you have ordered one from our hot lunch provider. There will be no hot meals served that day.

As you will see from the kit lists below Nightingale class should wear their 'get wet' clothes to school, bringing a change of clothes and towel for after that session (they are on the wet zone first) and the other classes should bring their wet clothes with them in a bag ready to change ahead of their wet zone session.

Bowie, Anning and Zephania

Nightingale

To wear to school:

- Comfortable clothes to suit the activities above (not wet zone)
- Comfortable shoes (trainers would be ideal)

To bring in a bag:

- Clothes and shoes to get wet (t-shirt and shorts would be ideal)
- Towel
- Hat and sun screen / waterproof coat (depending on the weather)
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Worker of the Week



NIGHTINGALE

Dottie continues to be a helpful member of Nightingale Class. She always tries her best with her work and is willing to help others. Well done, Dottie, keep it up!

Daisy has had a wonderful first few days at our school. She has been really brave and confident and we can't wait to see more of Daisy's lovely personality. Well done, Daisy!

BOWIE

Bowie Class have worked extremely hard this week, even though the warm weather was a little tricky for us, they have remained calm, kind and considerate of each other. Mrs Mintern and Mrs Moore are extremely proud of all of Bowie Class.

ANNING

Kasey for showing confidence and performing with clarity in the school production. Well done, Kasey!

Harrison for consistently showing respect and kindness in class, as well as delivering beautifully presented work on every occasion. Well done, Harrison!

ZEPHANIAH

Phoebe and **Evelyn** for working together to produce a fantastic canopic jar, using Mod-Roc to sculpt the Egyptian Deity on the top.



Templecombe
Token
Certificates



Congratulations go to:

- **Pati, Josh, Nelly, Delilah, Georgia** in Anning and **Jacob D, Victoria, Ava, and Daisy B** in Zephaniah for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token award.



Congratulations go to:

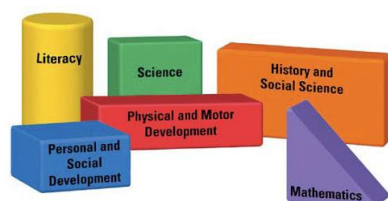
- **Chloe** in Bowie for always sitting quietly and getting on with eating her lunch.
- **Matthew** in Zephaniah for always bringing the walkie talkie down to the hall.

Out of School Achievements

Congratulations to:

- **Romeo** in Nightingale for receiving a medal for his participation at Templecombe Titans
- **Matilda** in Bowie for achieving her level 6 Learn to Swim Award.

A big well done to all of you!



Our Curriculum



"Gigglebox"

Under the expert instruction of Mrs Selway, Miss Edwards, Miss Wicks and Mr Ferrari, Years 5 and 6 have worked incredibly hard over the last few weeks in very high temperatures to put on an amazing end of term production this

week. Every credit goes to the children for learning their lines and producing a show worthy of Broadway! We were very sad to have had to cancel the performances but it was the safest option for everyone involved. The recording has been sent via email to Year 5 and 6 parents, with children watching it in class. As small consolation, the children were all very happy to still be able to have their Pizza tea together after school!



Super SATs result!

Another reason to celebrate our talented Year 6 children...

Grading	Maths	Reading	SPAG	Writing	Combined R/W/M
Expected 2026	94%	88%	88%	81%	81%
Higher Standard 2026	25%	44%	50%	19%	13%
2026 National standard for expected	75%	75%	74%	73%	63%

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils and all that they have achieved in this year's SATs. Their results are a testament to their hard work, resilience and commitment to learning throughout their time at our school.

This year's outcomes are particularly impressive, with our pupils achieving results that are well above the national average across all assessed subjects. An outstanding **94%** of pupils reached the expected standard in mathematics, while **88%** achieved the expected standard in both reading and grammar, punctuation and spelling. In writing, **81%** met the expected standard. and an impressive **81%** achieved the expected standard across reading, writing and mathematics combined—compared with **63% nationally**.

We are equally delighted by the number of pupils who achieved the higher standard, with **44%** in reading, **50%** in grammar, punctuation and spelling, and **25%** in mathematics. These results reflect not only strong attainment but also the depth of understanding and ambition shown by our children.

As a small school, we are especially proud to see our pupils performing so strongly against national outcomes. These achievements are the result of the determination of our children, the dedication of our staff and the invaluable support of our families, all working together to ensure every child can flourish.

Congratulations to our wonderful Year 6 class. We know how much effort they have invested in their learning, and they should be immensely proud of everything they have accomplished.



Hot Lunches for September

Parents should be able to log into Arbor parent portal to book in meals for September. You'll need to choose the next academic year from the drop down menu (2026/27) and order as normal. The deadline date is 1st August for meals for the first week of September.

Medicines in School

As usual, we will be sending all medicines and asthma inhalers home on the last day of term. Please can parents come to the office to collect these items personally as medicines cannot be put in children's bags to come home.

Expansion of Free School Meals

There are plans for the expansion of Free School Meals so that eligibility will be extended to all children where the parent is in receipt of Universal Credit above the £7.4k income cap. Parents will have to apply using their National Insurance number. The new portal is not yet live and we are conscious that the holidays are approaching. Parents will receive an email during the holidays if the “go live” date occurs after school has broken up for the summer, which will provide all the information and a link for applying which must be done before school returns in September.

Trust's Summer Newsletter

We are delighted to share with you our Summer edition of the Parents' & Carers' Newsletter 2025-26. It is absolutely full of stories showcasing the huge range of activities enjoyed by children and staff across our Trust family. Please use this link which will take you directly to the newsletter [Parents and Carers Summer Edition Newsletter - July 2026](#)



When you want to encourage positive behaviour (Positive Psychology):

What you might notice

- Your child shows kindness, effort, creativity or curiosity
- They respond well to praise
- They build confidence when noticed for positive actions

What this might tell us:

Focusing on strengths helps children grow in confidence and resilience. What we notice more of, we often get more of.

What you can do to help

- Praise effort, not just results: *"You worked really hard on that."*
- Notice small successes every day
- Talk about strengths (e.g., kindness, bravery, persistence)
- Encourage a "keep trying" mindset
- Give opportunities for responsibility

Key message

Children thrive when we focus on what is strong, not just what is wrong.



A Heartfelt Thank You to Our PTA

A huge thank you to our fantastic PTA, whose members have worked tirelessly throughout the year to organise a wonderful range of events and fundraising activities for our school community. Thanks to their incredible commitment and generosity with their time, the funds raised this year have supported school visits, residential trips, Year 6 leavers books and Hoodies and our much-loved Treat Shop, helping to create memorable experiences and opportunities for all of our children.

Every member of the PTA is a volunteer, giving up their own time to make such a positive difference to our school. Their enthusiasm, hard work and dedication are truly appreciated by pupils, staff and families alike. On behalf of everyone at the school, thank you for everything you do. We are incredibly grateful for your continued support and the difference you make to our children's school experience.

Waitrose Green Token Scheme

Throughout the summer, we can still fundraise! Waitrose has reinstated its green token voting stations in stores to give customers the chance to support local charities. – our PTFA is now live in Sherborne's Waitrose, so if you shop in there, please do collect your green token(s) and post them where they count!

AGM – advance notice

We have agreed the date of the PTA's Annual General Meeting. This will take place in school at 7pm on Wednesday 16th September 2026. Please see letter attached for more information.

And finally...

The end is almost in sight.... It's been another very hot week in school with lots of activities focused around the success of all our children this year, keeping cool and the beginnings of celebrations of Year 6 and staff who are moving on soon. Next week, will be much the same as we prepare for the end of term.

Mrs Brazier

Enc: PTA AGM letter

Whilst we are happy to advertise events in our area provided by third parties, we make no representations or warranties about the suitability of such products or services referenced in these advertisements for any purpose. Our inclusion of such products and services does not constitute their recommendation or endorsement.



KIDS Summer HAF CLUB

5-11yrs

EVERY TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
FROM 28 JULY TO 12 AUGUST.
10.00AM TO 2.00PM

**LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES,
HEALTHY LUNCH**

MILBORNE PORT VILLAGE HALL
Springfield Road
Milborne Port
DT9 5TE

sasg.co.uk/happy-healthy-holidays
youthsupport@treads.org.uk

CONTACT US
07766224166



Young Somerset SUMMER WALK 'N' TALK

NINE SPRINGS COUNTRY PARK

Join our Wellbeing Team from Young Somerset:

- To go for a walk
- Meet others
- Enjoy the benefits of being in nature.

Whether you come with friends or family, everyone is welcome.
Please note: All children (under 13) must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

To book your place, simply scan the QR code below

Time: 10.00 – 11.00am
Dates: 4th, 10th, 17th, 24th August
Start Location: Nine Springs Cafe, Yeovil Country Park, BA20 1QZ
What3Words: ///eager.hours.album
Nearest Toilets: Nine Springs Cafe

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DRINK & WATERPROOF COAT

SCAN HERE!

For more information contact:
Mental Health and Wellbeing Team - wellbeing@youngsomerset.org.uk

www.youngsomerset.org.uk



PQA WELLS SUMMER WORKSHOP
AGED 4-7 | MON 27th JULY | WELLS LITTLE THEATRE
10AM - 1PM | CONTACT: LUCY.PAYNE@PQACADEMY.COM

Be A Pop Star Day

SING, DANCE, PERFORM

OUTFIT COSTUMES, BUBBLES

FREE PAPER BAG

ALL AGES WELCOME

PQA WELLS SUMMER MUSICAL THEATRE ACADEMY

FOR AGES 4-18 AT WELLS LITTLE THEATRE

EXHONOR, FIVE & HIGH END MUSICAL THEATRE WORKSHOPS

THEATRICAL PROFESSIONAL PRODUCTION & PERFORMANCES

VARIOUS DATES AVAILABLE

TO BOOK FOLLOW THE LINK OR SCAN THE QR CODE

CONTACT: LUCY.PAYNE@PQACADEMY.COM

JOIN PQA WELLS THIS SUMMER & PERFORM IN THE GREATEST CIRCUS

10th - 14th AUGUST
WELLS LITTLE THEATRE
PERFORMANCE ON FRI 14th AUG 6.30PM

POPPETS SUMMER SESSIONS
FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-9
AT PQA WELLS

CONTACT: LUCY.PAYNE@PQACADEMY.COM



POP-UP ARTS & CRAFTS

WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

DATES

SATURDAY 25th JULY
9.30AM - 10.30AM
FOR 5 - 8 YEAR OLDS

SATURDAY 8th AUGUST
10.30AM - 11.30AM
FOR 9 - 11 YEAR OLDS

£10 PER CHILD

ALL MATERIALS SUPPLIED!

TO BE HELD AT TEMPLECOMBE VILLAGE HALL

CONTACT ALISON ON
01963 371774
OR
07515 830435

36 YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE

DBS CHECKED

DIARY DATES - 2025/26 Academic Year

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

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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.