



Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (10) Friday 21st November 2025



Collective Worship Reflections



We have continued with our Collective Worship 'Mr Men Faith' focus, this week looking at Mr Grumpy. We talked about the 'fruits of the spirit' and how we should try to be a radiator and not a drain. During our Wednesday reflection time children shared their thoughts on these reflection questions:

- How can we radiate love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control in our lives?
- How can we help others not drain these things from us?



Worker of the Week



Nightingale

Oskar for doing amazing sounding and blending in phonics - well done, Oskar!

Jordy for persevering with his reading and making great progress. Well done Jordy!

Bowie

Harry for super effort with his handwriting.

Ada for fantastic listening and being the 'sharpest' learner in class.

Anning

Whitney for bringing great contributions to class conversation and putting excellent effort into all her work - keep it up, Whitney!

Jaydee for having a fab attitude in class, helping out Miss Edwards and for being such a determined, resilient learner!

Zephaniah

Jude for recalling our key French vocabulary from past weeks - well done Jude!

Layla for confidently explaining the process of adding fractions today. Well done Layla!

Lunchtime Award:

Otto from Nightingale Class for being extremely polite when served his food.

Norah and **Victoria** from Zephaniah Class for being very willing and helpful in the hall.

Out of School Achievements:

Congratulations to:

- **Rowan** in Nightingale Class for receiving a Certificate of Recognition from RiversMeet Gymnastics

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.



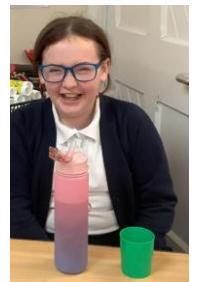
Netball @ King Arthur's School



Nine Year 5 and 6 pupils travelled to King Arthur's School on Tuesday afternoon to take part in a Netball event. We played a round robin tournament against many of the local schools. The children did incredibly well and they all showed superb teamwork and skills. They all had a great time and they learnt a lot about a new sport. The afternoon was filled with lots of smiley faces and excellent team spirit. The children all did our school very proud!

Anning Class

As part of our English writing this term, Anning Class have been familiarising themselves with the writing techniques used for instructions. As a result of this, they had to get stuck in and learn to make something so that they could accurately write instructions from their own perspective. Miss Edwards enjoys a ginger shot every morning - a routine Anning Class have shown curiosity about. So together, they decided this would be the perfect concoction to inspire their instructions. Anning Class have since written the instructions, but the memory of scraping pungent ginger, squeezing zesty lemons, and whizzing immersion blenders (safely!) is still at the front of their minds!



Staffing news

It is with regret that I inform you that Miss Bale will not be returning to teaching. I know that this has been an incredibly hard decision for her to make, made all the harder because of how great our children are. I am sure you will join with our school staff in wishing Miss Bale all the best for the future. Bowie class parents have received an email to update them on our next steps.

Head Lice

Recently, cases of head lice have been identified across the school and we wanted to make sure you were kept informed. Whilst lice are nothing more than a nuisance, it is important that children are checked on a weekly basis so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they are allowed to spread. As there has been an outbreak we request that parents thoroughly check their child's head as soon as possible, regularly treating as necessary so as to keep further outbreaks to a minimum. If your child has long hair, please ensure it is tied back to avoid further spread.

More information and guidance on treatment can be found on the NHS website: [Head lice and nits - NHS](#). Thank you for your cooperation.

Wrapping up for the colder weather

Temperatures have dropped this week which serves as a timely reminder to please make sure your child has a suitable winter coat and hat/gloves to keep them warm while they are out at break and lunchtime.

We will be continuing our Forest School provision too, so please ensure your child has a pair of wellies (clearly named) which can be kept at school so that their school shoes don't get muddy.

Parents Evenings

Thank you to everyone who has already booked in their Parent meeting appointment(s) on the Arbor portal. If you missed the deadline, please do contact your child's class teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time.



Christmas Hot Lunch - Tuesday 16th December

Thank you for your patience whilst booking for our Christmas Hot Lunch offering and meals for the last week of term was finalised. Parents can book on the Arbor parent portal but please be aware that the **deadline for ordering ALL MEALS for the last week of term is next Friday, 28th November**. A reminder that there is no cost for those entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals or Free School Meals but, for those who pay, the charge is £3 per meal. There is no packed lunch option available that day, but jacket potatoes will be available to order.

Ad Hoc MDSA vacancy

We are looking to recruit an ad hoc Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant to ensure we can cover when other supervisors aren't available. Experience of working with children in a voluntary or paid capacity is preferred. We have a really friendly and dedicated lunchtime team and full training will be given. The hours are from 11.45am until 1.15pm school term time only. This post requires a full safer recruitment check and a successful interview with provision of two suitable references. Please contact the school office if you are interested for an application form.



Every Learner Matters

Equity in Action

You may notice some children using extra resources or having different classroom routines. For example:

- A child using a wobble cushion to help concentration.
- A child having movement breaks.
- A child using visual timetables.
- A child using a fidget item or transitional object

These are called "reasonable adjustments". They don't give unfair advantage — they give fair access to learning. When we make learning fair for everyone, all children benefit from a more supportive and flexible classroom.



Christmas Trees and Wreaths

Parents will have received an email earlier this week to order Christmas Trees and Wreaths through Three Counties Landscaping. We are grateful to TCL as they have pledged to donate 10% of all our orders received to PTA funds.

Christmas Fayre – Friday 5th December

Plans are well underway now for our Christmas Fayre. As always, we need willing volunteers to help set up during the afternoon as well as run stalls at the Fayre. If you are able to offer any time on the day, please do contact the PTA via their email (ptfa.templecombeschool@aol.com) to confirm your availability.

Booking to see Santa! Forms came home in a sealed envelope with your child yesterday. Please complete and return the form in the envelope to the PTA postbox as soon as possible.

We will be holding a **non-uniform day** on Friday 28th November in exchange for a donation of chocolate for our Chocolate Tombola Stall. Raffle ticket and token sales in lower playground 2nd to 4th December.

Send your child to **Elf School** for the day on Tuesday 16th December – children to come to school dressed as elves or other Christmas characters for £1, or there will be the option to combine Elf School with booking for **Movie 'n' Munch** for just £4 per child – book your child in so you can have extra time for some last minute Christmas shopping without them! Booking form to follow.

Don't forget to complete our feedback form too!

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And finally...

What a chilly week it's been! It has been lovely to see the children well prepared for the colder weather with hats, gloves, and other winter essentials. As a reminder, we have a selection of coats available in school should anyone need one—please don't hesitate to get in touch. Wishing you all a warm and restful weekend.

Mrs Brazier

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North Cadbury Primary

ACTIVE CAMP

⌚ CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS (DECEMBER 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31)

MONDAY 22ND	Target Day
TUESDAY 23RD	Tournament Tuesday
WEDNESDAY 24TH	Party Day
MONDAY 29TH	Gymnastics Day
TUESDAY 30TH	Nerf Battles/Laser Tag Day
WEDNESDAY 31ST	NYE Science Experiments

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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

NOVEMBER:

Monday 24 th	Parents Evenings 3.40pm to 5.30pm (Not Yr5)
Tuesday 25 th	Parents Evenings 3.40pm to 6.30pm (All years)
Friday 28 th	Non-uniform day for chocolate for Tombola at Christmas Fayre

	Deadline for ordering Christmas Lunch/hot lunches for last week of term
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DECEMBER:

Monday 1 st	Governors Meeting
Tuesday 2 nd	Muddy Church – Advent
2 nd to 4 th	Raffle ticket and token sales in lower playground
Thursday 4 th	House challenge – Tree Decoration
Friday 5 th	Yr3/4 Residential – 2 nd payment deadline Deadline for ordering Christmas Trees and Wreaths – letter to follow PTFA Christmas Fayre – (No After Fun provision)
Monday 8 th	Nativity – dress rehearsal
Tuesday 9 th	9.15am Nativity to parents / 2.15pm Nativity to parents
Sunday 14 th	4pm Christingle Service in St Mary's Church
Tuesday 16 th	Christmas Lunch / Christmas Song Showdown) PTA Elf School & Movie 'n' Munch (see PTA section for more details)
Wednesday 17 th	9.05am End of Term Awards
Friday 19 th	Christmas Jumper/Outfit Day & 2pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church 3pm School Closes for Christmas (No After Fun provision)
Sunday 21 st	6.30pm Carol Service in St Mary's Church

22nd DECEMBER to 2nd JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY:

Monday 5 th	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 6 th	School re-opens
Tuesday 27 th	Muddy Church – Candlemass

FEBRUARY:

Friday 6 th	Yr3/4 Residential – final payment deadline
Tuesday 11 th	House challenge – pancake races p.m.
Friday 13 th	3.30pm School closes for half term

16th FEBRUARY to 20th FEBRUARY – HALF TERM

Monday 23 rd	School re-opens
Tuesday 24 th	Muddy Church – Spring, new beginnings

MARCH:

Thursday 5 th	World Book Day
Mon 9 th / Tue 10 th	Yr3/4 Residential – Kilve Court
Monday 23 rd	Parents evening 3.40pm-5pm
Tuesday 24 th	Parents evening 3.40pm-6.30pm
Tuesday 31 st	Muddy Church – Easter

APRIL:

Wednesday 1 st	9.05am End of Term Awards
Thursday 2 nd	House Challenge a.m. Easter Experience p.m. 3pm School Closes for the Easter Break (No After Fun provision)

3rd APRIL to 17th APRIL – EASTER BREAK

Monday 20 th	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 21 st	School re-opens
29/4 to 1/5	Yr 5 Residential

MAY:

Monday 4th	Bank Holiday – school closed
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Tuesday 5th	Muddy Church
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11th to 14th	SATS Week
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18th to 21st	Year 6 Residential
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Wednesday 20th	KS1 Multi-Skills Festival @ KA
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Friday 22nd	<u>3.30pm School closes for half term</u>
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25th MAY to 29th MAY – HALF TERM

JUNE:

Monday 1st	INSET Day – school closed
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Tuesday 2nd	School re-opens / Y4 Multiplication check
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Mon 8th/Tue 9th	Phonics screening check
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Monday 15th	KS2 Top Link Festival @ KA
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Monday 22nd	Yr1-5 School Trip – to be confirmed
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Tuesday 23rd	Muddy Church
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Friday 26th	Non-uniform day for sweets for Tombola at Summer Fayre
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Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs to be confirmed

Monday 29th	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)
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Tuesday 30th	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)
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JULY:

Wednesday 1st	Swap a class afternoon To Be Confirmed
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Friday 3rd	School Sports Event To Be Confirmed / PTFA Summer Fayre To Be Confirmed
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W/C Mon 13th	<i>Yr6 Production – arrangements to follow</i>
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Friday 17th	Reports sent home
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Monday 20th	Yr6 Trip
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Tuesday 21st	Whole School Fun Day
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Wednesday 22nd	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)

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.