



Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (3) Friday 24th January 2025



Collective Worship Reflections



In our collective worships we have been discussing 'What is prayer?', how it sometimes helps people and our understanding of the words in The Lord's Prayer. Pupils were asked to reflect on the line 'Give us today our daily bread', discussing what they need and feel they can't live without or what they would like to be delivered (saved) from. Bowie Class's Harvey (Stb) said, "I need my teddy, Scruffy, because he is part of helping me when I feel scared" and Lola said, "I need water to stay alive. If I don't have water, I will be dehydrated and I will die". Rebecca from Zephaniah Class wrote 'I would like God to deliver me from procrastination'.

Muddy Church – Thursday 30th January

 **Abbas & Templecombe
Church School**

 **St. Mary's,
Templecombe
Muddy Church**

Come along to
Muddy Church in the Forest School Area
at Abbas and Templecombe Primary School

3.30pm-4.30pm on Thursday 30th January 2025

Join us in the great outdoors for a fun time of faith-based stories, Crafts and much, much more!

School children are welcome to attend unsupervised by a parent. Mr Webb will be running the event supported by volunteers from our local church. If you would like your child to attend please email Mrs Greene to give your permission by the end of school on Tuesday.

Siblings and Pre-School children are very welcome to attend with an adult.

Treat Day Tuesday – 28th January 2025

Our Tuesday Treat shop will be open again on **Tuesday 28th January**. Children can choose a sweet treat and/or a smoothie for 50p each – it is up to them to make a selection, but if they want one of each, they'll need to bring £1 in! Please complete the online form which was emailed to parents yesterday if you wish your child to have a smoothie – this is so that we can gauge numbers correctly. Cash should please be given to your child's class teacher on that morning.



Worker of the Week



Nightingale

Jackson for showing great perseverance in your 'Golden Sticker Challenges' this week! You have been challenging yourself and using resources around the room to help you. Well done!

Isobel for great perseverance in your Maths this week where you have been comparing numbers to 20. Well done!

Bowie

Matilda - you shine so brightly through all your learning – your effort does not go unnoticed.

Amaya for bringing positivity and smiles to Bowie Class – you are a superstar, Amaya!

Anning

Freddie S for showing outstanding leadership skills during P.E this week - well done Freddie!

Phoebe for working really hard to produce a fantastic non-chronological report about volcanoes.

Zephaniah

Bella for slowing down her writing in order to focus on her punctuation and handwriting. Bella's published explanation text is presented brilliantly.

Jude for working hard across the curriculum. Jude wowed Mrs Mintern with his swimming and impressed us all with his writing and progress through the Maths layers.

Out of School Achievements

Well done to:

- **Matilda** from Bowie Class for winning silver at the Riversmeet Inter-house gymnastics competition - she is very proud as it was her first ever competition.
- **Nelly** from Bowie Class for achieving her Level 1 Octopus swimming award.
- **Florence** from Bowie Class for achieving her Stage 4 swimming award.
- **Miss Shearing** for passing her final assessment with distinction.



Templecombe
Token
Certificates



Congratulations go to **Harper, Jack, Florence and Harrison** from Bowie Class and **Iesha, Patrick, Matthew, Alfie, Isaac** and **Jacob H** from Zephaniah Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to **Emmet, Lola** and **Gabriel** from Bowie Class for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

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.



Zephaniah Class.

Zephaniah Class are learning about Anglo-Saxon Britain and the Vikings in History. To support their learning about the Danegald (payments made to the Vikings by King Ethelred the Unready), the class created their own Danegald coins using clay.



Year 5 and 6 Bikeability Course – 10th & 11^h February – 4 SPACES LEFT!

We have arranged a cycle training course, in conjunction with Somerset Road Safety, to take place in school over two days on 10th and 11th February. The Bikeability course has been designed to give the next generation the skills and confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads. To enable this course to run, we need adult helpers with a roadworthy bike and bike helmet to accompany the children across the 2 days – it doesn't have to be the same person every day so if you can volunteer your time, even if it is just for one of the days, please do contact the school office. If you would like your Year 5 or Year 6 child to attend the course please do let the school office know: places will be allocated with Year 6 children taking priority and only those who have not done the course before may apply. Children will need a roadworthy bicycle, a bike helmet and be confident enough to ride on the roads around Templecombe.

Spares

If you have any spare children's underwear (socks or pants) in good condition which your child has grown out of, we would be grateful to receive these for our spares box – our supplies are dwindling as items we loan out don't always get returned.



Bag2School – CHANGE OF DATE

Bag2School don't have a driver available for our planned collection next Thursday (30th January) so the new collection date is now **Wednesday 12th March**. Please bring donation bags to the lower playground gate by 9am on that morning.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Brazier

We have a vacancy....

Teaching Assistant

30 hours per week (8.45am to 3.15pm)

Term Time Only

Pay Grade 15 – SCP 02

FTE salary £23,656 / Actual salary £16,218.28

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, compassionate and friendly team member as a Teaching Assistant. This role will involve helping groups and individuals with their learning.

We are looking for:

- an **experienced**, dedicated, hard-working learning support assistant;
- someone with excellent interpersonal skills with pupils, staff and parents;
- someone who has the ability to enthuse and inspire children;
- someone who is a strong team player who can share good practice and learn from others.

Previous experience of working in primary schools or working with children is essential, as is appropriate qualifications in English and Mathematics (GCSE grade C or equivalent).

The school is able to offer:

- the opportunity to work in a friendly, helpful environment;
- the opportunity to work with an experienced and dedicated school team;
- a caring and innovative environment.

Candidates are invited to contact the school and arrange to visit and meet with the Head of School. If you would like to arrange this, please book an appointment via phone 01963 370481 or email on enquiries@at.bwmat.org. Application forms are available from the enquiries email address.

Benefits of working for the Bath & Wells MAT include; a generous pension scheme, enhanced sickness and parental benefits and a supportive working environment.

The Bath & Wells MAT is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS and all relevant pre-employment checks.

Application forms should be accompanied by a full letter of application and sent to the school office by post or email to the school Office Manager – enquiries@at.bwmat.org.

Parent Carers Group
at The Balsam Centre

Come along to meet other parents, share ideas and help each other out. Children welcome.

Every fourth Wednesday of the month, 9.30-11am

01963 31842
www.balsamcentre.org.uk/parent-carers-group

WELLS CATHEDRAL

LUXMURALIS

SPACE

IMMERSIVE SOUND + LIGHT SHOW

28 Jan — 1 Feb 2025

Tickets: £6—£12; available via wells cathedral.eventbrite.co.uk

WELLS CATHEDRAL | Puxton Park

CREATURES GREAT & SMALL

PETTING FARM

AT WELLS CATHEDRAL

Saturday 25 January 2025
11.00am-3.00pm
Admission: Included with entry to the Cathedral

Come and meet a variety of furry friends as the Cathedral hosts Puxton Park's petting farm! Enjoy the opportunity to pet, groom, and learn about these beautiful animals and how we can take care of them.

PRIMARY SPORTS & EDUCATION

LEWESTON ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMP

SCAN TO BOOK!

4-14 YEARS OLD

LASER TAG, NERF GUN BATTLES, INFLATABLES, CRICKET, FOOTBALL, GLOW IN THE DARK DODGEBALL, ARTS & CRAFTS, AND MORE!

Cost: STANDARD: £30.00, EXTENDED: £35.00

Times: STANDARD: 9.00AM-3.30PM, EXTENDED: 8.00AM-5.30PM

Leweston
Leweston School, Sherborne, Dorset, DT9 6EN

February Half Term
Monday 17th of February
Tuesday 18th of February
Wednesday 19th of February
Thursday 20th of February

Booking Link
<https://www.primary-sports.co.uk/events/2025/02/17/leweston-ultimate-activity-camps-february-half-term>

More Information: ed.doble@primary-sports.co.uk / 07903347412

DIARY DATES - 2024/25 Academic Year

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

JANUARY:

Tuesday 28th

Treat day Tuesday

Thursday 30th	3.30pm-4.30pm Muddy Church
FEBRUARY:	
Monday 10th	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Tuesday 11th	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Friday 14th	<u>3.30pm School closes for half term</u>
<u>17th FEBRUARY to 21st FEBRUARY - HALF TERM</u>	
Monday 24th	School re-opens 6pm Governors Meeting
MARCH:	
Tuesday 4th	Pancake Day activities (House Challenge Spring 2)
Wednesday 12th	PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
Monday 24th	Parents evening 3.40pm-5pm 6pm Governors Meeting
Tuesday 25th	Parents evening 3.40pm-6.30pm
APRIL:	
Thursday 3rd	9.05am End of Term Awards
Tuesday 1st	Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow
Friday 4th	Easter Experience in Church <u>3pm School Closes for the Easter Break</u> (No After Fun provision)
<u>7th APRIL to 21st APRIL – EASTER BREAK</u>	
Tuesday 22nd	INSET Day – school closed
Wednesday 23rd	School re-opens
Wed 23rd - Fri 25th	Yr5 Residential
MAY:	
Monday 5th	Bank Holiday – school closed
Thursday 8th	PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
12th to 15th	SATS Week
Monday 12th	6pm Governors Meeting
Friday 16th	KS1 Multi-Skills Festival
19th to 22nd	Year 6 Residential
Friday 23rd	<u>3.30pm School closes for half term</u>
<u>26th MAY to 30th MAY - HALF TERM</u>	
JUNE:	
Monday 2nd	School re-opens
16th to 17th	Year 3/4 Residential
Tuesday 17th	Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs
Wednesday 18th	INSET Day – school closed
Monday 23rd	6pm Governors Meeting
Tuesday 24th	KS2 Top Link Festival
Friday 27th	Non-uniform day for sweets for Summer Fayre
JULY:	
Wednesday 2nd	Swap a class afternoon To Be Confirmed
Friday 4th	School Sports Event / PTFA Summer Fayre
Thursday 10th	PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
<i>Yr6 Production – arrangements to follow</i>	

