



# Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (12) Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025



## A special Easter themed afternoon led by our Year 5 and 6 children

The houses all completed three activities. They decorated the playground with images related to the Easter Story and the concept of 'New Life' at Easter Time. Cameron from Zephaniah Class shared that "we celebrate New Life at Easter because Jesus came back to life". They created pictures, cards and posters representing the cross from the Easter Story. Victoria shared that "the cross is important because it shows that Jesus died for our sins." Finally the Zephaniah pupils acted and read the Easter Story to the pupils in their house, sharing bread and 'wine' with the children when learning about the Last Supper.



## Awards



We held our End of Term Awards on Wednesday afternoon – well done to everyone for all your hard work, but some special congratulations go to Isobel, Eddie, Charlie and Scarlett from Nightingale Class, Harper, Lola, Jack and Gabriel from Bowie Class, Isla S, Rupert, Alice and Lucy from Anning Class and Olivia F, Oscar, Olivia T and Isaac from Zephaniah. We also congratulate 16 of our students for achieving 100% attendance at school this term.

### Lunchtime Award

This week the Lunchtime Superstar Award goes to Pippa and Lola – well done girls.

### Out of School Achievements

Well done to:

- **Jacob** from Bowie Class for achieving his purple belt in Karate.

*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 have created cushion covers as part of their textiles unit in Design and Technology. They began the project by evaluating other designs and then designing and mocking up their own piece, inspired by a biome from around the world. Everyone then had to become confident at threading needles, cutting felt and sewing two or more materials together. The hardest part was sewing their design onto the cushion covers whilst ensuring they didn't sew the cover together!



Bowie Class dined and danced like it was the 1500s this week in celebration of completing such fantastic work this term across all subjects, as well as each and every one of the class retaining ample knowledge about King Henry VIII and Queen Victoria. We learnt how to do a traditional Tudor dance, to the tune of 'Music for the King's Entry' played by Miss Edwards' mother on the recorder! We also learnt how to bow and curtsy to a King, which we were surprised to learn is a tradition that still stands today! Our favourite part was definitely dining just like King Henry VIII – we got stuck into all manner of food, some of us devouring chicken legs like we were King Henry himself!



### Wincanton History Day

Please see the flyer below for Wincanton History Day on Saturday 5th April. Sessions in the Victorian School will be £1. These can be booked via Wincanton school office or take a chance on the day, and run for 30 minutes at the following times: 10:30,11:15,12:00,1:00,1:45,2:30,3:15.

### 2025/26 Term Dates

Please see below for next year's term dates along with details of INSET days and residentials.

A reminder that school will reopen on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

We hope you have a lovely Easter Break – do look later in the newsletter for lots of fun Easter themed events taking place in our local area.

*Mrs Brazier*



September 2025						October 2025						November 2025						
M	1	8	15	22	29	Mo		6	13	20	27	M		3	10	17	24	
Tu	2	9	16	23	30	Tu		7	14	21	28	Tu		4	11	18	25	
W	3	10	17	24		We	1	8	15	22	29	W		5	12	19	26	
Th	4	11	18	25		Th	2	9	16	23	30	Th		6	13	20	27	
F	5	12	19	26		Fr	3	10	17	24	31	F		7	14	21	28	
Sa	6	13	20	27		Sa	4	11	18	25		Sa	1	8	15	22	29	
Su	7	14	21	28		Su	5	12	19	26		Su	2	9	16	23	30	
December 2025						January 2026						February 2026						
M	1	8	15	22	29	M		5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16	23	
Tu	2	9	16	23	30	Tu		6	13	20	27	Tu		3	10	17	24	
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March 2026						April 2026						May 2026						
M	2	9	16	23	30	M		6	13	20	27	M		4	11	18	25	
Tu	3	10	17	24	31	Tu		7	14	21	28	Tu		5	12	19	26	
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June 2026						July 2026						August 2026						
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Key:

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TBC	Yr5 Residential
<span style="background-color: #FF00FF; border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 10px;"></span>	Yr3/4 Residential

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 02 September – 24 October 2025 (39 days)
Term 2: 03 November – 19 December 2025 (35 days)
Term 3: 05 January – 13 February 2026 (30 days)
Term 4: 23 February – 02 April 2026 (29 days)
Term 5: 20 April – 22 May 2026 (24 days)
Term 6: 01 June – 22 July 2026 (38 days) TOTAL = 195

Bank and public holidays 2025/26

Christmas Day	25 December 2025	Easter Monday	6 April 2026
Boxing Day	26 December 2025	May Day Bank Holiday	04 May 2026
New Year's Day	01 January 2026	Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026
Good Friday	3 April 2026	Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026



# Wincanton History Day

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

Come and learn about the Trojan Horse in our Victorian Classroom based in St Peters and St Pauls Church – Victorian Style!

Or

## Join our Writing and Art competition

Prizes for entries of those who are aged (school years)

- Preschool/Reception
- Year 1/2
- Year 3/4
- Year 5/6

Entries are to depict

## "The Horse in Work, Sport and Leisure" -across time

This can be in the form of a poem, newspaper article from the time of the event, historic novel/story

A painting, collage or even a 3D model showing the horse in historic events.

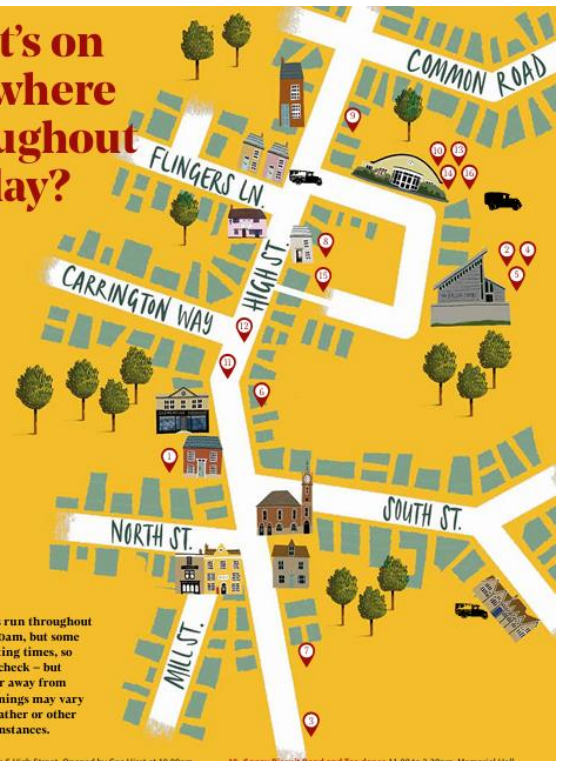
Think about how this beautiful animal has been used throughout history – for example in the war, Grand National Race, evolution of farming and even the Royal family.

All entries are to be returned to your child's school by  
Monday 31st March 2025 and these will be passed on to the  
History Society for judging.

**Entries will be on display in the Memorial Hall on the day.**

## What's on and where throughout the day?

\*Map not to scale



Most of the events run throughout the day from 10.00am, but some have specific starting times, so be sure to double check – but nothing is very far away from anything else. Timings may vary due to adverse weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

1. Museum Opening No.5 High Street. Opened by Gee Hirst at 10.00am
2. Metal Detecting Starts at 10.30am. Balsam Centre Garden
3. Victorian School Room. Open from 10.30am at St Peter and St Paul's church. Also coffee morning and bell-ringing and displays.
4. Ask the Experts about genealogy, family or local history in the Balsam Centre, from 10.30am
5. The Antiques Valuations Have your items identified and valued by our experts. Balsam Centre, starting at 10.30am
6. Artisan Crafts in Coles Yard from 10.30am
7. Freemasons' Lodge Open Day from 10.30am
8. Quakers Meeting. House exhibition from 10.30am
9. Methodist Church from 10.30am. Tea and coffee and church display.
10. Soggy Biscuit Band and Tea dance 11.00 to 2.30pm. Memorial Hall.
11. Horse and Costume Parade 12 noon, followed by the Hobby Horse parade. Travelling down the High Street.
12. Vintage Transport Parade will travel down Bayford Hill at 1.00pm and parade along the High Street (twice) before parking in the Memorial Hall Car Park.
13. Talk at 2.45pm in the Memorial Hall. The Hon Mrs Victor Bruce, Queen of Speed, Riding, Driving, Flying. A life lived on horsepower. A talk by Carey Chapman. Tickets on the door £3 (or the website [wincantonhistorysociety.com](http://wincantonhistorysociety.com))
14. Schools competition entries displayed in the Memorial Hall.
15. West Country Tommies
16. The Memorial Cafe for when you get peckish, and cake competition.

**Wincanton History Day 2025**  
**SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**CALL FOR ENTRIES**

## HOBBY HORSE GRAND NATIONAL PARADE

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To accompany the Horse Parade, WINCANTON HISTORY DAY is running a hobby horse "GRAND NATIONAL PARADE" for children, with a PRIZE for the best silks and best turned-out horse.

DETAILS ON HOW TO ENTER ARE ON OUR WEBSITE.  
[WINCANTONHISTORYSOCIETY.COM](http://WINCANTONHISTORYSOCIETY.COM)

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## EASTER SOCCER SCHOOLS

7 - 11 April  
14 - 17 April

COMMUNITY  
SPORTS  
TRUST



ALL APRIL BOOKINGS WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAW  
TO WIN A FREE WEEK OF SUMMER SOCCER SCHOOL



SCAN TO BOOK



HUSH PARK

9:00 - 15:00  
After Hours Club  
Available to book!





# Family Holiday Activities

at Wells Cathedral

## Easter Excitement

**7, 9, and 11 April 2025**

Get ready to celebrate the joy of Easter with our seasonal trail, and crafts to make and take home!

**Monday 7: Cross Creations**  
Collect beads on our Easter crosses trail and make a necklace or keyring

**Wednesday 9: Glorious Gardens**  
Discover the Easter story as you follow our Cathedral map, then make an Easter garden

**Friday 11: Card Crafts**  
Follow our Easter story trail and make a card or decoration

**FREE with adult entry.**  
No need to book – simply drop in on the day!

**Sessions in the Education Room / Wells Cathedral**  
10.30am–3.30pm

There is no charge for children. Standard adult admission tickets include re-entry for 12 months from date of purchase, so you can enjoy access to a number of seasonal events, including exhibitions and Family Holiday Activities beyond your initial visit. Only assistance dogs are allowed at this activity.

**EXPLORE • CREATE • DISCOVER**

Wells Cathedral Registered Charity Number 1007205

# EASTER EGG HUNT

**Templecombe sports & social club**  
**20th April 25 at 2.45pm**  
Come and have fun finding all the hidden Easter Bunnies in the park!!!

To register your child please email  
[heathermc\\_2014@yahoo.com](mailto:heathermc_2014@yahoo.com)  
We ask for a small donation of 50p per child



# EASTER EVENTS IN MILBORNE PORT LIBRARY

**Somerset Council**

<b>5<sup>TH</sup> - 19<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>EASTER TREASURE HUNT IN THE LIBRARY</b>	<b>SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>LEGO CLUB</b> <b>9.30 - 12NOON</b>	<b>TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>RHYME TIME</b> <b>10.30AM</b>
<b>SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>PETER RABBIT STORYTIME AND CRAFT SESSION</b> <b>10.30AM</b>	<b>TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>RHYME TIME</b> <b>10.30AM</b> <b>EASTER CRAFTS</b> <b>ALL DAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup></b> <b>CLOSED FOR GOOD FRIDAY</b>



## DIARY DATES - 2024/25 Academic Year

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

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