

Newsletter (11) Friday 7th July 2023



Collective Worship

We are looking once again at our core school values to finish our school year. This week we focused in on respect. Rev. Kevin shared the bible story, 1 Kings 17: 8-16. The story is about Elijah and the poor widow – how Elijah respected God and the Widow, and how the widow respected Elijah and God. The take-away point is about respecting everybody, irrespective of who they are, or what they do. The children reflected on who they found it easy and not so easy to show respect to and why.



Diamond

Harrison for always working brilliantly in a team, and trying your hardest in independent tasks. Well done!

Rita-Rae for your amazing determination in English this week, writing about the Rainbow Fish. You joined in with brilliant conversation about how the Rainbow Fish and other sea creatures would be feeling in the story. Well done!

Emerald

Theodore for his excellent re-telling of 'The mole who knew it was none of his business'. Great job! **Phoebe** for showing amazing respect to the staff, volunteers and other children in class this week. Well done, Phoebe.

Ruby

Grace for being a kind, conscientious member of Ruby Class, who always tries her best in everything that she does.

Olivia F for working really hard in English this week and having the confidence to read out loud in front of the whole class.

Topaz

Topaz Class for their enthusiasm, hard work and commitment in rehearsals. You have all been amazing!



Congratulations go to Matthew from Ruby Class for achieving his Gold Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Out of School Achievements

Well done to:

Olivia in Diamond Class for participating in the SWISH Swim School Gala at Rivers Meet on Sunday, receiving a medal and a certificate.

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 Friday worship. Please bring certificates etc to the school office.



Lost your glasses?

A pair of child's black rimmed prescription glasses were found outside the Co-Op and have been handed into the school office. If you think they might belong to your child, please come to the office to collect them.

Class Photos and Year 6 Leavers Photos

Tempest Photography visited last week to take our Class and Year 6 Leavers photos. Class photos are available to view and purchase at <u>https://htmp.st/AbbasTemplecombe23</u>. There will be a free "deliver to school" option open for approximately 14 days, otherwise home delivery is available for £5 postage and packing. If you need assistance, please call them on 01736 751555 (option 5) or click on contact us on the home page <u>www.htempest.co.uk</u>. For the Year 6 photos, if you don't wish to order online, please return your completed order form with payment in the sealed envelope provided no later than TODAY so they can be sent off in time.

Hot Lunches

Menus for September came home last week. Please ensure they are returned by Tuesday 11th July to give time for ordering before the summer break. If your child is moving up into Year 3, please be aware that the Universal Infant Free School Meal entitlement will cease and meals will have to be paid for.

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge launches on Saturday 8th July. The Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure over the summer holidays. This year the children are challenged to read six books. It doesn't matter what type of book it is, how many pages it has, or even if it is books that they listen to. The beauty of this challenge is the freedom to read anything they like - the choice is theirs! Each time a young person finishes two books, they can visit the library again to share their accomplishment and get rewards for their reading. When they have read all six books, they get a medal and a certificate for taking part.

Visit your nearest library branch to sign up your child for the Reading Challenge. They will be presented with a special collector folder to help keep track of their progress or you can sign up online via <u>http://bit.ly/SRCRegister2023</u>. You can find out more on the Summer Reading Challenge website at <u>https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/</u> and additionally register there for additional games and activities for children to take part in.

See the Youtube Video for more information

To find your local library visit https://www.somerset.gov.uk/libraries/our-libraries/.



Summer Fayre – Today – 3.30pm-5.30pm

- > As before, stalls and games will be accepting tokens for payment and these will be available to purchase at the Fayre.
- > Purchases from the Café, the BBQ, external stalls and raffle tickets will need to be in cash.

Tuesday 11th July:

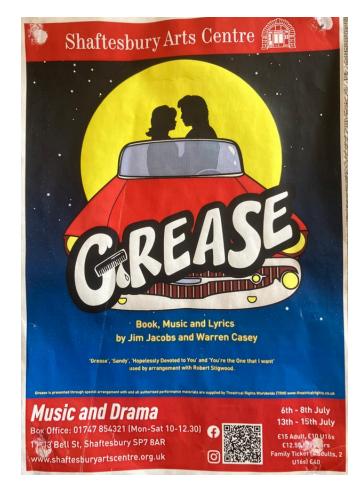
Bag2School collection. Please leave your bags of donations to the lower playground by 9am on the morning of Tuesday 11th July.

Movie 'n' Munch

Don't forget to bring in your booking form for the Movie 'n' Munch night on Tuesday 11th July. Please pay by BACS if you can, complete the booking form and post it in the PTA postbox opposite the school office by Monday 10th July.

Grease!

One of our ex-pupils, Hazel Perrett, is with us on work experience this week. She is starring in Shaftesbury Arts Centre's production of Grease this weekend and next – see poster below for details.



We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2022/23 Academic Year

Entries highlighted in green are new this week!

JULY:									
Friday 7 th	School Sports Event: 9.15am to 10.45am, Years R, 1 and 2								
	1.30pm to 3.15pm, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6								
	PTFA Summer Fayre								
Tuesday 11 th	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please								
	1.45pm Yr5/6 production of "The X-Factory" to parents								
	3.30pm PTA Movie 'n' Munch								
Wednesday 12 th	6pm Yr5/6 production of "The X-Factory" to parents								
Monday 17 th	Year 6 Trip to Moors Valley Country Park								
Tuesday 18 th	Year 6 Trip to Longleat (returning to school at 4.30pm)								
Wednesday 19 th	Whole School Fun Day (details to follow)								
Thursday 20 th	Year 6 water fight and barbeque in school time (no parents)								
Friday 21 st	9.10am End of Term Awards (no parents)								
	2pm Leavers Service in school (Year 6 families only)								
	3pm School Closes for the Summer Break								

<u>Please note</u>: 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.



Somerset School Terms and Holidays 2023/2024 Academic Year

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Bank and public holidays 2023/24								
Christmas Day	25 December 2023	Easter Monday	01 April 2024					
Boxing Day	26 December 2023	May Day Bank Holiday	06 May 2024					
New Year's Day	01 January 2024	Spring Bank Holiday	27 May 2024					
Good Friday	29 March 2024	Summer Bank Holiday	26 August 2024					
Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Alded schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.								