



Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



Newsletter (8) Friday 16th June 2023



Collective Worship Reflections



Collective Worship

We continued our 'I am sayings of Jesus' theme this week, with Jesus saying, "I am the way, the truth and the life". Children have focused on trust in Jesus to help us in difficult times – leaning on his strength and understanding. In our Friday assembly Diamond's Olivia shared, "When I am poorly I trust the doctor to help me be well" and, from Ruby Class, Grace said, "I depend on my family and friends when I'm sad." Topaz class's Declan gave a very mature response, "When things are difficult I turn to my family, it's hard to trust God when things are difficult because you could believe he/she isn't helping."



Worker of the Week



Diamond

Hope for persevering with your reading and showing such resilience when you come across a word you are not familiar with. Well done Hope!

Olivia for your great contribution in Geography this week, where we have been comparing life in the countryside compared to a town or city. Well done!

Emerald

Darcey for her fantastic, imaginative and well published letters inspired by the story 'The Day the Crayon's Quit'. Well done Darcey!

Austin for his excellent focus and effort in Maths this week. Austin worked brilliantly with coins to make the same amount in different ways, even challenging himself to do more complex amounts after completing his layers.

Ruby

Bella for great perseverance in Maths this week. She has worked hard to perfect her long multiplication and division skills.

Emily for great focus and participating with enthusiasm in all our lesson this week. She has also been a great help to the lunchtime staff.

Topaz

Joel for working really hard over the last few weeks to improve his writing with great success!



Templecombe Token Certificates



Congratulations go to Harrison from Ruby Class for achieving his Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Jaydee, Ada and Whitney from Emerald Class and Emily from Ruby Class for achieving their Gold 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 Friday worship. Please bring certificates etc to the school office.



Updates

Staff Changes

We shared last week that at the end of this term, Mrs Morris will be leaving us and Mrs Russell will be stopping as a TA. We ended that communication saying that we would be advertising for two new TAs – please follow this link for the advert - [Teaching Assistant – DAS Jobs](#)

2023/24 Term Dates

Please see below for next academic year's term dates, including INSET days, SATs week and the residentials.

Free School Meals

A quick reminder to all families about Free School Meals - if your circumstances have changed there is support available by way of Free School Meals. If your child qualifies for free school meals, not only will they receive a healthy meal on every school day, it also means the family will receive financial support with trips and residentials and the school receives additional funding that we use for in class support. It is a simple process to apply online via this link:

<https://docs.somerset.gov.uk/wl/?id=seS1iowdzq8FeFumDzucp3wpmWNYZDKI>

Breakfast & After Fun Clubs

Forms for September are now available to collect from the office or download from our website (under "About Us", "Clubs"). As previously reported, we will be raising our fees for before and after school clubs so that from September 2023 the new cost will be £3.50 per child, per session.



PTA

Frozen Fridays are back!

Our PTA will be selling ice lollies at 50p each in the lower playground after school on Fridays, starting this week. What better way to start the weekend, especially in this lovely warm weather!

Summer Fayre – Friday 7th July, 3.30pm-5.30pm

We need your help!

- If you can provide cake(s) for sale in our Café, please bring your donation to the school on the morning of the Fayre.
- If you are able to offer to help set up and/or run a stall, please do let us know by emailing the PTA at templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com or by contacting the school office.
- As before, stalls and games will be accepting tokens for payment and these will be available to purchase ahead of the Fayre, after school, in the lower playground on the Wednesday and Thursday of fayre week. On the day, purchases from the Café, the BBQ, external stalls and raffle tickets will need to be in cash.
- Raffle tickets will be on sale online from Monday 3rd July via the PTA facebook page.
- Tokens and raffle tickets will also be available to buy at the Fayre on the day.



We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Mr Webb

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2022/23 Academic Year

Entries highlighted in green are new this week!

JUNE:

Monday 19th	Class and Year 6 Leavers Photos
Wednesday 28th	Muddy Church in Forest School – 3.30pm to 4.30pm

JULY:

Wednesday 5th	Swap a class afternoon
Friday 7th	School Sports Event
	PTFA Summer Fayre
Tuesday 11th	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 – booking forms to follow
Wednesday 12th	6pm Yr5/6 production of "The X-Factory" to parents
Friday 21st	9.10am End of Term Awards (no parents)
	2pm Leavers Service in school (Year 6 families only)

3pm School Closes for the Summer Break

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.

September 2023					October 2023					November 2023										
M			4	11	18	25	Mo		2	9	16	23	30	M			6	13	20	27
T			5	12	19	26	Tu		3	10	17	24	31	T			7	14	21	28
W			6	13	20	27	We		4	11	18	25	W		1	8	15	22	29	
Th			7	14	21	28	Th		5	12	19	26	Th		2	9	16	23	30	
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December 2023					January 2024					February 2024										
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June 2024					July 2024					August 2024										
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Key:

 	School Holiday	 	Year 3/4 residential
 	Bank Holiday	 	Year 5 residential
 	Term Time	 	Year 6 residential
 	Inset Days	 	Year 6 National Tests

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 04 September – 20 October 2023 (35 days)
 Term 2: 30 October – 15 December 2023 (35 days)
 Term 3: 02 January – 9 February 2024 (29 days)
 Term 4: 19 February – 28 March 2024 (29 days)
 Term 5: 15 April – 24 May 2024 (29 days)
 Term 6: 03 June – 24 July 2024 (38 days) Total 195

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 Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.