



# Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (13) Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024



Collective Worship  
Reflections



In our Collective Worship this week we focused on the Christmas Story and the main characters – what part they played in the story. In our reflection time this week, Abigail from Bowie Class shared “the shepherds were important because they trusted the angel to look after their sheep” and Gabe said “The Angel Gabriel is important because he told Mary and Joseph they were having a baby called Jesus and he was special”.

## Invitations from St Mary’s Church

**Christingle Service: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm.** Come and make your Christingle as part of the afternoon of celebration. There will be refreshments, music, prayers and a collection in aid of The Children’s Society.

**Christmas Tree Festival:** this will be held over the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> December. Entries are open to all, not just restricted to local clubs/businesses etc, so if parents would like to provide a tree to decorate, please see the poster at the end of this newsletter for more information and how to obtain an entry form.

**Carol Service: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 6pm.** Come along for a lovely evening of carols (old and new) and the Christmas readings.



## Worker of the Week



### Nightingale

**Scarlett** for your fantastic enthusiasm when practising the Nativity this week!

**Jackson** for your brilliant effort in the nativity rehearsals this week, well done!

### Bowie

**Lola** for showing amazing acting, dancing, and singing skills when practising our Nativity. You show great skill, Lola, and haven’t missed your cue yet! We can’t wait for the performance.

**Freddie** for stepping into the role of ‘Narrator’ excellently in our Nativity – you say your lines with your beautiful speaking voice Freddie, and always on cue! We can’t wait for the performance.

### Anning

**Edith** for working hard in History to learn about how Boudicca led the Celts into battle against the Romans and creating a fantastic portrait of her - well done Edith!

**Pati** for hard work in English week when learning how to punctuate direct speech and for showing an excellent attitude towards her other learning too - well done!

## Zephaniah

**Alfie** for working incredibly hard with his non-chronological report writing this week, structuring his writing into informative sections.

**Jude** for his wonderful reading with the younger pupils this week, it was lovely to see Jude engaging his partner in the story.

## Out of School Achievements

Well done to:

- **Rupert** from Anning Class for being awarded Player of the Match trophy at Wincanton Youth FC
- **Martha** from Anning Class for receiving a rosette for Leading a Pony.



Congratulations go to **Amaya** from Bowie Class for achieving her Bronze 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.*



## A very special visitor comes to school

The children and staff were very excited to receive a very special visitor, literally dropping in on us. Santa Claus left the elves working hard in his Toy Factory at The North Pole and, because his reindeer are resting ahead of Christmas night, he arrived by helicopter at school on Wednesday this week! We were very lucky to have Santa visit us - it must be because the children have all been so good. Whilst with us, Santa passed on a special gift from the PTA for each child, which I'm sure all the children will enjoy munching in the build up to Christmas. A very special thank you to RNAS Yeovilton for bringing Santa to us and giving us the thrill of having a Wildcat helicopter land on our school field - all very exciting!



## WISE Workshop booklet for parents

Click the link to access our SEND webpage where you can scroll down to the WISE up advice booklet [SEND - Abbas and Templecombe Church School](#)

## Hot Lunch Bookings on Parentmail

Hot meal bookings for January are now available on Parentmail. **The deadline for booking hot lunches for the first week back in January is Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December.**



### House Challenge – Decorate a Christmas Tree

This week in our new Houses, the challenge was to make decorations to decorate a Christmas Tree. We had various ideas and designs which created some lovely decorations which you will see on display at our Christmas Fayre this afternoon. The winner was Oak House with “The Twelve Days of Christmas”.



### Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who helped with the setting up and running of our Christmas Fayre, and to all who supported the Fayre this afternoon after school.

### Future Events:

**Movie 'n' Munch** is booked for Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – book your child in so you can have extra time for some last minute Christmas shopping without them! Booking forms will be coming home early next week.

**Terracycle This is the last call for crisp packets** – please put them to the collection bin at the front of school, outside the office so we can send one final bulk load before the end of this term.

### Asda Cashpot for Schools

Thank you to everyone who signed up for the Asda Rewards Scheme, which raised £202.33 for our school!

We hope you have a good weekend.

*Mrs Brazier*

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**  
2024

To be held in the Church at St Mary the Virgin, Templecombe



**All entries welcome!**

Display Dates: 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
Entry Forms to be Returned by 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

The Church is open every Tuesday and Friday between 2.30pm and 3.30pm where there will be a box for completed entry forms.

The Church will be open on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> from 10am to bring and decorate your trees.

Alternatively, please contact Brenda Ford  
Mobile: 07747 773982  
Email: [fairielille@aol.com](mailto:fairielille@aol.com)

**Merry Christmas**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Templecombe Scout Group**



At Templecombe Village Hall & scout hut  
Doors open at 6:30pm eyes down 7:30pm

7<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
Christmas meal during break @ £8  
pre book before by Phoning 01963 370583  
Leaving name contact number amount of meals

## DIARY DATES - 2024/25 Academic Year

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

### DECEMBER:

Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Christmas Fayre – details to follow (No After Fun provision)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity – dress rehearsal
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Song Extravaganza (Yr3 to Yr6) at St Nicholas Church, Henstridge
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am Nativity to parents 2.15pm Nativity to parents
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Treat Day Tuesday – bring in 50p for a tuck shop treat at breaktime! Movie ‘n’ Munch – booking form to follow
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper/Outfit Day Christmas Lunch (TBC)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.05am End of Term Awards / Christmas Lunch / 2pm Christmas Service in St Mary’s Church <b>3pm School Closes for Christmas</b> (No After Fun provision)
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>

### 23<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER to 3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK

### JANUARY:

<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	6pm Governors Meeting
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

### FEBRUARY:

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 3 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>3.30pm School closes for half term</b>

### 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY to 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY - HALF TERM

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens 6pm Governors Meeting
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