



# Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (8) Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024



## Collective Worship Reflections



This week we started our build up towards Easter by looking at how Jesus wanted to welcomed everyone to be friends with him, especially children. We reflected on how we can help others do the right thing and what we do to help others. In our Reflection Assembly, Jude from Ruby Class shared “We can help homeless people have food and water” and Emerald’s Patti said “I help by giving clothes and toys to charity”.

### A Gift from Rev. Kevin

Rev. Kevin left us last week and, as a parting gift, he wanted to give an age-appropriate book to each child in our school and so children in Reception will be bringing home a colouring book which includes a QR code so they can listen to a story whilst they colour. Children in Emerald, Ruby and Topaz have been given a modern re-telling of the gospel.



## Worker of the Week



### Diamond

**Matilda** for your fantastic enthusiasm in Maths this week. You have been thinking outside of the box and offering some brilliant ideas. Well done!

**Chloe** for your brilliant determination in your writing this week. You have not given up and have been recognising your progress. Well done!

### Emerald

**Molly** for her excellent participation and enthusiasm in Music this week. Well done Molly.

**Jessica** for her love of reading and regularly scoring 100% on her Accelerated Reader quizzes, Jessica is really challenging herself to read regularly and pay close attention to the story!

### Ruby

**Norah** for overcoming her nerves and performing the poem 'Dragon Song' in front of the whole class.

**Freddie E** for working really hard all week in Maths, completing lots of layer and trying really hard to learn his times tables.

### Topaz

**Casey** for good participation in Maths and English this week. Casey has also made a real effort to ask for help when he needs it. Well done Casey!

**Cameron** for writing an engaging and interesting historical recount on the Battle of Britain. Great work Cam!



## Templecombe Token Certificates



Congratulations go to Atticus, Fred, Iesha, Tabitha, Casey and Darcey from Topaz Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Olivia and Jessica from Emerald Class, Layla, Jacob D and Matthew from Ruby Class for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Phoebe from Ruby Class for achieving her Gold Templecombe Token certificate this week.

### Outside of School Achievements:

Congratulations to **Harvey Stb** from Diamond Class and **Ada** from Emerald Class for achieving their Level 2 Learn to Swim award.

### 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

### Red Nose Day – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March



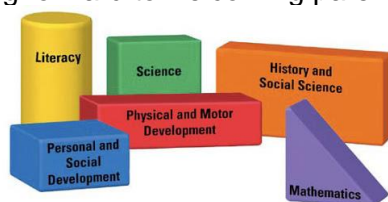
We will be supporting Comic Relief's Red Nose Day fundraiser next Friday by having a Pyjama Day for a donation of £1 per child please. Children can come to school wearing their PJ's or other suitable non-uniform but must wear shoes and a coat suitable for the weather that day please.

### Reporting Absence from School

A reminder that if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, it is essential that you inform the school office of the reason by phone or email ([enquiries@at.bwmat.org](mailto:enquiries@at.bwmat.org)) no later than 9.15am on the first day of absence. It is difficult for staff on gate duty to recall all the conversations they have with parents so phoning/emailing the office is the most reliable form of communication for absences. If you wish your child to leave school during the day for an appointment please ensure that the school office staff and, if possible, your child's class teacher, are informed.

### Parents Evenings ~ Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

We are looking forward to welcoming parents to these meetings next week.



## Our Curriculum



### World Book Day ~ Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Our theme this year was reading for pleasure, and the 'joy of reading'. Children spent the morning exploring what reading for pleasure might be and investigating a variety of books. Lots of children brought in their favourite books and shared these with their classes. Well done to everyone who dressed up – there was a brilliant range of outfits and everyone looked very happy playing their characters during break times.



Diamond Class children were asked to “make” their characters during their Forest School session:

Lola, Emmett and Grace made a witch with a smiley face



Gabriel, George and Abigail made the Gruffalo



We hope you all have a great weekend.

*Mr Webb*

**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 Wednesday 20th March 2024**

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.

**Free soup and a roll  
Tea and coffee**



**Each Monday in  
February and March  
From 12 until 2.00**

**United Reform Church**  
Supported by Templecombe Together  
Please come along and share our warm  
Environment, our friendly company  
And our hot food and drinks

Please invite your friends and neighbours



## Easter at RSPB Ham Wall

### Easter Feast - Family Nature Trail

Join us on an exciting Easter adventure as we see how many different animals are attending an Easter feast along the trail. But, oh dear, Miranda the Mute Swan can't remember what ingredient she should be bringing, can you help her find out what it is?

**Date** 29 Mar - 24 Apr 2024, 10am-3pm  
**Cost** £3.50 per pack (inc. small prize)

### Family Pond Dipping Sessions

There's a secret world hidden all around us full of amazing creatures. What will you find lurking just below the surface?

Will it be a ferocious Dragonfly Nymph, a cunningly disguised Caddisfly Larvae or a shimmering Stickleback?

**Date** 5 Apr 2024, 11am-4pm  
**Cost** £5 - £6 inc. booking fee

### Wildlife Explorer Backpacks

Unleash your inner explorer! Grab one of our wildlife explorer backpacks and dive into the enchanting world of nature! Each backpack has a pair of children's binoculars, magnifying glass, bug pot, ID guides and seasonal activity sheets to turn your outing into an unforgettable adventure.

**Date** Daily, 10am-2pm  
**Cost** £3.50 per backpack

### Facilities and Location

**Car Park and Toilets:** 5am-8pm  
**Info Point:** 10am-4pm  
**Catering Kiosk:** 10am-4pm, Guaranteed opening on weekends. Open on weekdays when a volunteer is available. Selling hot and cold drinks, pre-packaged snacks and ice creams.  
**Address:** RSPB Ham Wall, Meare nr. Glastonbury, BA6 9SX

**Contact**  
ham.wall@rspb.org.uk

**Find out more**  
<https://events.rspb.org.uk/hamwall>

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## DIARY DATES - 2023/24 Academic Year

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

### MARCH:

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Parents evening
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Parents evening
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day fundraiser at lunchtime
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Muddy Church 3.30pm-4.30pm
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.05am End of Term Awards
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Experience in Church <b>3pm School Closes for the Easter Break</b>
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY – school closed</b>

### APRIL:

### **1<sup>st</sup> APRIL to 12<sup>th</sup> APRIL – EASTER BREAK**

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Yr3/4, Yr5 & Yr6 Residential – deadline for final payment
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

### MAY:

1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 5 Residential to New Forest
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**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>**      **Bank Holiday – school closed**

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>      Yr3/4 Residential

13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>      SATS Week

20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>      Year 6 Residential

Friday 24<sup>th</sup>      **3.30pm School closes for half term**

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**27<sup>th</sup> MAY to 31<sup>st</sup> MAY – HALF TERM**

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**JUNE:**

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**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>**      **INSET Day – school closed**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>      School re-opens

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>      PTFA Summer Disco

Monday 17<sup>th</sup>      Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs

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**JULY:**

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Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>      Swap a class afternoon **To Be Confirmed**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup>      School Sports Event

PTFA Summer Fayre

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>      PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>      PTFA Movie 'n' Munch

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>      Yr6 Trip

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>      Whole School Fun Day

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>      9.05am End of Term Awards

2pm Leavers Service in school

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**3pm School Closes for the Summer Break**

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**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.