



# Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (2) Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024



## Collective Worship Reflections



This week we looked again at the Lord's Prayer. This is a special prayer that Jesus taught his followers to say every day. During our Friday reflection time, children reflected on the phrase 'give us our daily bread' and shared what is important to them (their daily bread). We had a wide range of reflections from 'my sister', 'bananas', 'trees', 'family', all the way to 'warmth'.



## Worker of the Week



### Diamond

**Harper** for your brilliant effort in Phonics this week. You have been applying your new knowledge of the sounds we have learnt. Well done!

**Freddie** for your brilliant writing on Clicker this week, writing sentences that link with our class story. Well done!

### Emerald

**Molly** for a fantastic week, coming into school each day with a smile!

**Austin** for working hard in his writing this week - Austin had some fantastic ideas!

### Ruby

**Jude** for creating some really imaginative sentences that include personification.

**Daisy B** for an excellent attitude towards her learning this week, making sure she does her best in all lessons, but particularly in English.

### Topaz

**Harrison** for his enthusiasm and sharing his knowledge in Humanities on our new topic, WW2. Great work this week!

**Bella Da** - for showing a great learning attitude in all areas but particularly in Maths. Bella makes a real effort to stay focused during inputs and asks questions when she is struggling to grasp an aspect of learning. Really proud of her - well done Bella!



Templecombe  
Token  
Certificates



Congratulations go to Georgia and Khalisee from Emerald Class and Isla, Rupert and Victoria from Ruby Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations also go to Rupert from Emerald Class and Phoebe and Isaac from Ruby Class for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

**A big well done to all of you!**



### **Sapphire Class (PM grouping of Year 4/5 children)**

The children in Sapphire Class have kicked off their Art and Design work this half term by doing an artist study about Frida Kahlo. They learnt all about her life and have spent some time looking in detail at her interesting and different art work. They then all used their sculpting skills to create models of clay monkeys. The children had great fun trying to make their monkeys look as realistic as possible.



### **Swimming Returns**

We are really pleased that we have been able to restart swimming sessions for our Year 6 pupils. This is due in no small part by how flexible and generous Leweston School have been. Although many of the children were quite nervous, they persevered and had a great first session – well done Year 6!



### **Bikeability – 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February**

We have arranged a cycle training course, in conjunction with Somerset Road Safety, to take place in school over three days on 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> February. The Bikeability course has been designed to give the next generation the skills and confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads. To enable this course to run, we need adult helpers with a roadworthy bike to accompany the children across the 3 days – it doesn't have to be the same person every day so if you can volunteer your time, even if it is just for one of the days, please do contact the school office. If you would like your Year 5 or Year 6 child to attend the course please do let the school office know: places will be allocated with Year 6 children taking priority and only those who have not done the course before should apply. Children will need a roadworthy bicycle and a bike helmet to participate.

### **Singing**

Many of our children love to sing – below are two opportunities to take this interest further:

#### **Somerset Youth Choir (aged 8 up)**

If your child loves to sing this could be an exciting opportunity for them – please follow the link to find out more. <https://somersetmusic.co.uk/join-a-music-group/sys/>

## Stalbridge Youth Choir (aged 7 up)

An exciting new youth choir is starting in Stalbridge for young people aged 7-16. A fabulous opportunity to sing a range of songs, have fun and smile under the tuition of Rebecca Peckover-Mitchell. It will take place on Tuesday evenings from 6pm-7pm at Stalbridge Primary School Hall. Contact Rebecca on 07957133317 or [beckymitch05@gmail.com](mailto:beckymitch05@gmail.com).



A reminder that we have a **Bag2School** fundraising collection arranged for Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. As usual, bags containing clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts and accessories should please be left by the wall going up the hill, to the left of our front gates by 9am on that morning.

We are also planning our “**Dare to be Different Day**” which is on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January – more details will follow in due course.

We hope you have a good weekend.

*Mr Webb*

## DIARY DATES - 2023/24 Academic Year

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

<b>JANUARY:</b>	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	PTA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Dare to be Different day – more details to follow
<b>FEBRUARY:</b>	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yr3/4, Yr5 & Yr6 Residential – deadline for 2 <sup>nd</sup> payment
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only) PTFA Spring Disco – booking form to follow
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 3 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>3.30pm School closes for half term</b>
<b><u>12<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY to 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY - HALF TERM</u></b>	
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
<b>MARCH:</b>	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day fundraiser at lunchtime
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>
<b>APRIL:</b>	
<b><u>1<sup>st</sup> APRIL to 12<sup>th</sup> APRIL – EASTER BREAK</u></b>	

<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	School re-opens
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	Yr3/4, Yr5 & Yr6 Residential – deadline for final payment
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
<b>MAY:</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Year 5 Residential to New Forest
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bank Holiday – school closed</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup></b>	Yr3/4 Residential
<b>13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup></b>	SATS Week
<b>20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	Year 6 Residential
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><u>3.30pm School closes for half term</u></b>
<b><u>27<sup>th</sup> MAY to 31<sup>st</sup> MAY – HALF TERM</u></b>	
<b>JUNE:</b>	
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	School re-opens
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	PTFA Summer Disco
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Class & Year 6 Leavers’ Photographs
<b>JULY:</b>	
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Swap a class afternoon <b>To Be Confirmed</b>
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	School Sports Event
	PTFA Summer Fayre
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	PTFA Movie ‘n’ Munch
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Yr6 Trip
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	Whole School Fun Day
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	9.05am End of Term Awards 2pm Leavers Service in school
<b><u>3pm School Closes for the Summer Break</u></b>	

**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.