



Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Season's greetings to you all. It has been an incredibly busy couple of weeks in school and we know the children have had lots of fun and laughs along the way. We've captured some of the activities below.

Muddy Church



The children who joined us for our monthly Muddy Church event had a great time not getting cold and muddy but enjoying the warmth of the Church this month. This was our Christmas-based gathering and the children enjoyed the theme of 'follow the star' with star shaped biscuits, the Christmas story focused on the star, active games and fun crafts. We finished our time together with some lovely hot chocolate and marshmallows. Do look out for the date of our January Muddy Church which will return to Forest School, with a fire and hot chocolate to keep us warm...

Christmas Song Event



A really special moment this week was the class Christmas Song Showdown which saw children and staff performing together; there were actions, props and, most of all, some amazing singing.



Christmas Hot Lunch



The children and staff enjoyed their Christmas meal all together and we would like to say thank you to Piskula for providing us with a very tasty Christmas Lunch as well as a cookie for each of the children. The delights of the class Christmas parties followed, which included another special delivery of class gifts from the PTA.

Our week will end with the Year 6 children leading our annual Christmas Service and we are very pleased to be able to welcome parents back to this end of term event. Lots of the school took part in our Christmas Jumper Day (raising £75.10) for Save the Children, which reminds us all that unfortunately some children don't have a brilliant time at Christmas, which brings me to the closing prayer of my seasonal message which is for all of our community.

"May the joy of the Angels, the eagerness of the Shepherds, the perseverance of the Wise Men, the obedience of Joseph and Mary and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas. Amen."



Awards



We held our End of Term Awards this morning – well done to everyone for all your hard work, but some special congratulations go to Scarlett, Lola, Jack and George from Diamond Class, Isla S, Violet, Bodhi and Edith from Emerald Class, Isla-Rose, Isaac, Alice-Rose and Jacob D from Ruby Class and Iesha, Tabitha, Casey and Alfie from Topaz Class. We also congratulate 19 of our students for achieving 100% attendance at school this term.



Templecombe Token Certificates



Templecombe tokens – Willow House Winners

Well done to Willow House for winning the overall Templecombe Token House Award this term with the most collected tokens for all four of our values; Love, Inspire, Perseverance, Respect. If you are unsure which House your child is in, please do ask their teacher or contact the school office.

Templecombe tokens - Certificates

Congratulations go to Emmet, Grace, Matilda, Hope, Jack, George, Harvey (Yr1), Abigail and Freddie from Diamond Class, Ada, Isla P, Simeon, Olivia and Edith from Emerald Class, Olivia, Matthew and Layla from Ruby Class and Alisha and Mason from Topaz Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Harry B from Diamond Class, Nala from Emerald Class and Grace from Ruby Class for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Darcey V and Jacob H from Ruby Class for achieving our first Gold Templecombe Token certificates for this academic year!

Out of School Achievements

Well done to Edith from Emerald Class for being promoted to Rank 8 Kyu in Karate at Nishikan Martial Arts.

Staff achievements

Many congratulations to Mrs Brazier for achieving her National Professional Qualification of Headship and to myself for achieving my National Professional Qualification of Executive Leadership. We have both been studying for over two years to achieve these awards and this shows our school's ongoing commitment to staff's professional development.

A big well done to all of you!



Updates

Friday 15th

Christmas Service in St Mary's Church, 2pm

Our traditional End of Term Service led by our eldest children; featuring singing, readings and dramas. We look forward to welcoming parents to join us at the church.

Hot Meals

A reminder that when we come back to school on Wednesday 3rd January, we will be on week 3 of the lunch menu.

Assistance and Support

We know that this time of year can be very hard for some families and so if you do find yourself in need of support, please email Mrs Mewett and she'll point you in the direction of the relevant assistance (MMewett@abbasteplecombprimaryschool.co.uk).



Christmas Fayre

A massive thank you to everyone who helped make our Christmas Fayre such a success last Friday afternoon. Together we raised a fantastic total £831.58.

Movie 'n' Munch

Lots of fun was had at our Christmas themed movie event. The children especially enjoyed the addition of an extra-large screen, alongside their popcorn and hotdogs.



We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable Christmas time and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Wednesday 3rd January 2024 when we open our doors as Abbas and Templecombe Church School.

Mr Webb





Sticky Fingers Pre-School



Saturday 16th December 2023

Templecombe Village Hall

doors open at 6.30pm, eyes down at 7pm



**6 BOOKS FOR
£10
OR £2 EACH**



No children under 6

CAKES, TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

FUNDRAISING FOR STICKY FINGERS PRE-SCHOOL