

# Newsletter (12) Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021



This week we have focused on the stories of the Beautiful Gate (Acts 3: 1-11) and Saul and the Road to Damascus (Acts 7-9). Ruby class created a class puzzle of gratefulness, sharing who or what they were grateful for and why. Topaz class' Evelyn shared "Saul did not like Jesus and killed many of his followers, but then he changed. If you give everyone a chance, they can change".



# Diamond

**Phoebe** for her amazing focus in RE this week. Phoebe has been trying hard to learn all the new vocabulary!

**Logan** for his brilliant perseverance this week, both with his individual handwriting target and the RE challenges.

# Emerald

**Casey** for his amazing work on times tables. You are well on the way to mastering everything from the 2s up to the 9s. Brilliant work, Casey!

**Sapphire** for being a brilliant class member and working hard at everything.

# Ruby

Charlie C for his fantastic book review.

Holly for her amazing attitude towards all of her learning and always trying her best.

# Topaz

**Phoebe** for working independently to produce a well written guide to Peru and completing lots of layers in Maths.

Grace for a great learning attitude and always giving her best.



Grace, Lily-May, Liam and Kimmie from Topaz Class have achieved their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Alfie from Emerald Class has achieved his Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Olivia, Phoebe, Freddie E, Logan, Tommy, Matthew and Tamsin from Diamond Class, Sapphire and Grace from Emerald Class, Chloe Trivett from Ruby Class and Mali from Topaz Class have all achieved their Gold Templecombe Token certificate this week.

A big well done to all of you!



A reminder to everyone that next Wednesday is our fun day - letters came home earlier this week detailing the arrangements and what children need to wear and bring with them on that day. Please do pay special attention to this as we'd hate for children to miss out on what promises to be an excellent day.



# Reports

Today children have brought home their end of year reports. We have stuck with last year's format, feeling that parents would prefer a fuller, more personalised general comment about their child rather than more specific subject comments. As you will see, we are only giving "working towards" and "working at" judgements for Years 1 to 5 pupils, due to the extent of the curriculum they could have covered this year. During pupil handover, teachers have shared with your child's next class teacher (or reminded themselves if they are still teaching your child next year!), whether children are likely to have been "working at" or "greater depth" if they had had more time to cover all their year group's objectives. Having read them all, I am very impressed with the efforts the children have made in what has been a very trying sixteen months.

# Covid arrangements

Please see the separate email we sent earlier today explaining the arrangements for next week. Details on next term's arrangements will be shared early in September.

# Rounder's Event

Well done to our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils who took part in the rounders workshops and competition on Tuesday this week. The teacher from Somerset Activity and Sports

Partnership was massively impressed with the children's competitiveness and how polite they all were.

### Trumpets

Years 2 and 3 really enjoyed Mr Bertie's brass experience on Wednesday this week; from junk instruments (a piece of hose and a funnel) through to our Brass Quartet, they experienced the evolution of brass music through the ages.



Massive congratulations to Nathan and Zack (Topaz class) for receiving their Bronze Medal Standard award and well done for your live performance on Wednesday – you were great.

#### Road Safety

We were delighted to have a visitor from Somerset Road Safety Partnership in school today, running workshops with each class. As a memento of their visit and hopefully a bit of an 'aide memoir' for the children, they have brought home a pencil, ruler and pamphlet of what was covered in their session.

#### Reading Week and our 2021 Summer Reading Challenge

The children have had a wonderful week enjoying lots of new stories, learning about popular authors and how and where to find various reading resources. The sun even shone for us on our whole school reading session on Thursday morning. Today Mr Webb launched our Summer Reading Challenge! The aim of this is to encourage the children to read a range of books over the summer holiday, whilst ticking off a variety of mini 'challenges'. The reading challenge forms will be sent home with children next week, along with several books from our library to get them started - books and forms should please be returned to school and handed in by children on the first day of term in September.

# Breakfast/After Fun Club Booking Forms

Booking forms are available on our website if you wish to book your child into either of the above clubs in September. If you need to book for the first week back in September, please return your form(s) to the school office no later than Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

#### Dates for your diary

Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Reports coming home
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 trip to Paulton's Park (returning to school at 4.30pm)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 trip to Moors Valley Country Park (leaving at 8.45am)
	Outdoor Lower School Disco (3.45pm-4.30pm)
	Outdoor Upper School Disco (4.45pm-6pm)
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Whole school Fun Day including picnic lunch
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 water fight and barbeque in school time (no parents)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Service at 2pm, being live streamed to classrooms
	for other year groups to enjoy
	School closes for the summer break at 3pm



#### **Topaz Pentathlon Event**

Well done to Topaz class who competed in an in school pentathlon event this week. The events were hurdles, javelin, standing long jump, bean bag shot put and sprint. All the

children competed really well with different winners across the various events. The overall 2021 pentathlon winners and runners up were:

Year 6 Boys Winner	Henry
Year 6 Boys Runner Up	Seb
Year 6 Girls Winner	Layla
Year 6 Girls Runner Up	Pheobe

Year 5 Boys Winner	Jamie
Year 5 Boys Runner Up	Memphis
Year 5 Girls Winner	Grace
Year 5 Girls Runner Up	Hana

We hope you enjoy the pictures below from our Summer Sports Morning:





#### **Summer Fayre**

Thank you to everyone for your contributions to the PTA summer fayre – it was a lovely time and we raised an amazing  $\pounds 1,150$  – this total includes a special  $\pounds 200$  donation from Co-op which was presented today. A big thank you to everybody who donated prizes for the raffle or helped in any way to make this event a success.

We hope you enjoy the pictures below from our Summer Fayre Afternoon:



#### Cash for Cloths/Preloved/Bags2School

Thank you for all your contributions to the collection on Tuesday which raised £104.

# **Outdoor Disco**

Booking forms for this came home with children on Tuesday. Please pay by BACS and return your completed form to the PTFA postbox (by the school office) no later than Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July. This will be a non-uniform day for all children. When collecting your child please wait by the gate in the middle of the staff car park, enter as directed and leave via the gate nearest the school hall. For the upper school disco please drop off at the gate in the middle of the staff car park and collect as above.

We hope you all have a great weekend.

Mr Webb