



# Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



Newsletter (10) Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023



## Collective Worship Reflections



We continue our theme of Mr Men Faith. This week we looked at Mr Grumpy and how he is a bit of a drain rather than a radiator. In our reflection times we focused on how we can radiate the positive fruits of the Holy Spirit in our lives (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control). During our Friday reflection time, Ruby's Evelyn shared "I can show gentleness and love by never leaving anyone out in our games and always being gentle to others" and Diamond's Emmet said, "I am thankful for my Daddy because he is funny!".

### Muddy Church

Thank you to everyone who attended Muddy Church on Wednesday after school and to the volunteers from our Church who helped to run the session. The rain held off and we were able to enjoy the story Stone Soup, a hunt for glow sticks in Forest School and making, then baking bread over a fire. The children really enjoyed their 'fire bread' with the addition of jam or honey.



Next month Muddy Church will be moving to the Church for a special Christmas-themed event – children will be welcome to attend without parents. More information on how your child can join Muddy Church will be coming out in the coming weeks.



## Worker of the Week



## Diamond

**Chloe** for always coming into school with a huge smile on your face, and ready to have a go at different learning challenges in the classroom. Well done!

**Ada** for your brilliant effort in phonics this week. You have shown great perseverance and have inspired others in the classroom, well done!

## Emerald

**Lacey** for her fantastic effort across the curriculum this week. Lacey is really stepping up and challenging herself to meet her Year 2 expectations.

**Khalisee** for her brilliant reading and writing this week. Khalisee has been working hard at home and school and it's really starting to show!

## Ruby

**Jude** for working hard in his writing, creating beautiful sentences containing fronted adverbials - well done Jude!

**Ava** for having a fantastic attitude towards her learning this week, working really hard in Maths to complete as many layers as possible and in English for creating some interesting and imaginative sentences - well done Ava!

## Topaz

**Olivia F** for working really hard on her fractions this week, listening well to the input and trying to work independently when she can. A great role model for her table.

**Darcey** for writing an amazing scary story over the last two weeks. Darcey has listened well in the lessons and used examples to help her create an extremely engaging story.



Congratulations go to Gabriel and Nelly from Diamond Class, Rupert and Bodhi from Emerald Class, Amelia, Freddie E, Phoebe, Ronnie and Pippa from Ruby Class and Chloe from Topaz Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations also go to Jacob H and Darcey V from Ruby Class for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week – our first Silver awards for this academic year!

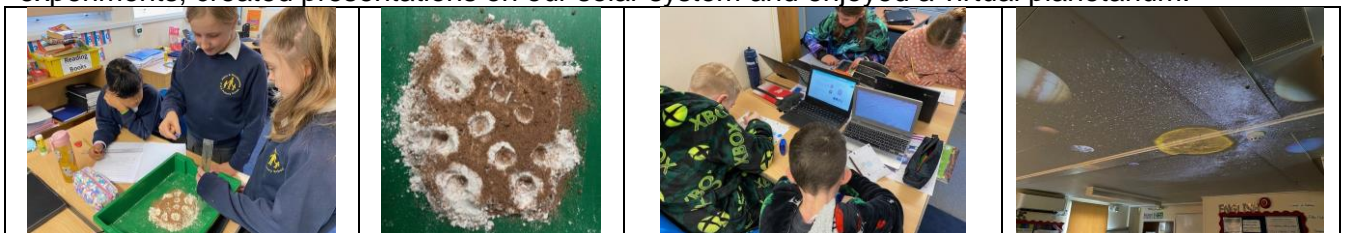
## Out of School Achievements

Well done to Isaac from Ruby Class for achieving his white belt yellow stripe (9tup) in Taekwon-Do.

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



In Science, the children in Topaz Class have continued to work on their forces concept and, more specifically, the theme of space. Over the last two weeks they have carried out meteorite impact experiments, created presentations on our solar system and enjoyed a virtual planetarium.





## Updates



### Children in Need – Friday 17th November

Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need today. The children had lots of fun with the lunchtime games and we thank our Year 6 pupils for running them so well. Everyone looked great in their PJs too! Well done to our winners: Emily, Olivia T, Jude, Sophia and Elisa. Year 6 were thinking of Pudsey in their Forest School session this week, and made a brilliant representation of his face from items they found. Children in Diamond Class worked together to make signs for our event. Together we raised £150.



### Hot Lunches (including Christmas Lunch!)

Our catering company Piskula have informed us of some necessary changes to the menus for the last two weeks of term to assist them in catering for Christmas lunches for all the schools they supply. To facilitate this, weeks commencing 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> December will be different. Your child will bring home a menu today which covers those two weeks, along with a letter regarding the Christmas lunch. Please return the forms as soon as possible but by **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November** at the very latest. Any replies received after this date will not be included.

### School Photographs

A message from Tempest Photography:

“Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit [www.tempest-orders.co.uk](http://www.tempest-orders.co.uk). If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, please contact Tempest direct on 01736 751555 (option 3)”.

**Somerset Parents Carers Forum** have been able to find funding to run some parent coffee sessions in Henstridge at Grassroots Garden Centre Cafe. This is great for our area as most are in Yeovil or Bridgewater.

### Henstridge Group

Tuesday	7th	November	10:00 to 12:00
Tuesday	5th	December	10:00 to 12:00
Tuesday	2nd	January	10:00 to 12:00
Tuesday	6th	February	10:00 to 12:00
Tuesday	5th	March	10:00 to 12:00

If you have a child with additional needs and or disabilities 0-25 come along for a cuppa and chat with other parent carers.

The groups are a place to make new friends and share experiences and ask any questions you may have.



### PTA Christmas Fayre

Letters are coming home today regarding booking to see the special visitor to our Christmas Fayre, along with an order form for Christmas trees and wreaths. We are collaborating with Three Counties Landscaping again this year, payment can be made by BACS directly to them and if you live within five miles of school, you can also benefit from free delivery. School will receive 10% of any orders they receive from our parents.

We are looking for volunteers to help make our Christmas Fayre a success! If you can offer some time on the afternoon of Fayre Day (Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December) to help set up and/or could help to run a stall during the Fayre (3.30-5.30pm), please email the team at [ptfa.templecombeschool@aol.com](mailto:ptfa.templecombeschool@aol.com).

If you or someone you know would like to have a stall at the Fayre, please do ask them to get in touch on the same email.

Don't forget our **Non-uniform day** on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December in exchange for chocolate for the Tombola Stall at the Fayre. Thank you for all your support which is hugely appreciated by the team and all the children in school who benefit from the funds raised.

We hope you have a good weekend.

*Mr Webb*



# SANTA SPECIALS

with Steam Trains  
December



2023

Sunday 3rd · Sunday 10th  
Saturday 16th · Sunday 17th  
Thursday 21st · Saturday 23rd  
10am - 4pm

Come see Santa  
and dance in the snow!  
Please see website or

Facebook page for further details

£15 each Adult or Child. (£14 each for groups of 10 or more)  
Babies under 12 months old free of charge and we will provide a small present for Santa to give.

PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL - to avoid disappointment

Visit our Website  
www.yeovilrailwaycentre.co.uk

Or for recorded  
information  
01935 410420

Like us on  
Facebook

All funds raised  
are used to further  
the Charity's work  
Reg. Charity No: 1043381

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## Charity Christmas Quiz

All proceeds will go to the  
Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance

**SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2023**

Doors open at 6:30pm  
Quiz starts @ 7pm

At Oxley Sports Centre  
Bradford Rd, Sherborne DT9 3DA

**£5 per person**  
Teams of up to 6

Tea, Coffee and Cake will be available throughout the event  
for donations

**RAFFLE**  
Great prizes  
to be won!

Prize  
for the best  
Christmas  
Outfit or  
Jumper!

Tickets available from Oxley Sports  
Centre (cash only) or, for card  
payments, follow the QR code to  
our Just Giving page!

## DIARY DATES - 2023/24 Academic Year

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

### NOVEMBER:

Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need fundraiser at lunchtime
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Deadline for ordering school photographs
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Deadline for ordering Christmas Hot Lunch / hot meals for last 2 weeks of

### DECEMBER:

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate for the Chocolate Tombola St
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Yr3/4 & Yr5 Residential deadline for payment of deposit
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity performances to parents at 9.15am or 2.15pm
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Christmas Fayre
	Deadline for ordering Christmas Trees and Wreaths
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Hot Lunch followed by Class Christmas Parties (non-uniform da
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children
	9.05am End of Term Awards
	2pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church
	<b>3pm School Closes for Christmas</b>

## 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER to 1<sup>st</sup> JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK

### JANUARY:

Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET Day – school closed
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	School re-opens
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>** PTA Dare to be Different day – more details to follow

## **FEBRUARY:**

**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**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup>** **3.30pm School closes for half term**

## **12<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY to 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY - HALF TERM**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>** School re-opens

## **MARCH:**

**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

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

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup>** **GOOD FRIDAY – school closed**

## **APRIL:**

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

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>** **INSET Day – school closed**

**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

**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**

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

## **JUNE:**

**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

## **JULY:**

**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

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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.