

# Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (3) Friday 19th January 2024



# Collective Worship A Reflections



This week we looked again at our value of perseverance, focusing on the sick in Jesus' time who persevered and were eventually healed by Jesus. During our Friday reflection time, children reflected on when they have shown determination and perseverance in their own lives. Diamond's George shared that he is "persevering with practicing his reading" and Topaz's Emily said, "I persevered with helping the younger children in teaching them a new game".





#### **Diamond**

Eliza for your brilliant work in English this week, retelling the story of 'Lost and Found'. Well done! Harvey Stb for trying really hard with your reading this week. Well done!

#### **Emerald**

**Violet** your perseverance with writing is really paying off. It was so wonderful to see your obvious pride in your beautiful work this week!

**Bodhi** for setting an incredible example with your behaviour and your attitude towards learning new things!

#### Ruby

Matt for working extremely hard to be successful in Maths, multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100.

**Darcy** for her excellent setting description in English, using similes, expanded noun phrases and personification in her writing.

#### **Topaz**

**Emily** writing an engaging and interesting first-person narrative on The Lighthouse. Emily has been really focused on creating sentences that impact the reader.

**Holly** excellent work in Maths this week. Holly has really impressed us all with her alternative methods and how she is making links to help her solve problem. A Math genius in the making!



Congratulations go to Jessica, Reggie and Theodore from Emerald Class and Jacob D from Ruby Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Bodhi, Sienna, Patricia and Tamsin from Emerald Class and Lucy from Ruby Class for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

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



Diamond Class - We're Going on a Bear Hunt







It was lovely to see our Diamond Class children heading down to Forest School for their fully immersive experience of Michael Rosen's 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' story. Along with the actual hunt for the bear's

friends in Forest School, the children created a bear mask in their art lesson. It was great to see our new Trust Bear taking such a leading role in the children's learning – I'm sure our new furry friend had a wonderful time.

At the start of this term we promised the children that they could suggest names for our new bear. Today we announced that Emerald Class's suggestion of Bubble the Bear had been chosen. Thank you for the many enjoyable suggestions that I received, both from the classes and from the children on the playground. A close second was Beary McBearface...



#### **Parents Evenings**

We have scheduled our Spring Term Parents Evenings for Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. A letter and booking form will come home nearer the time for you to arrange to meet with your child's teacher but please do save these dates.

#### Year 5 and 6 Bikeability Course - 5th to 7th 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 may apply. Children will need a roadworthy bicycle, a bike helmet and be confident enough to ride on the roads around Templecombe.

#### 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/

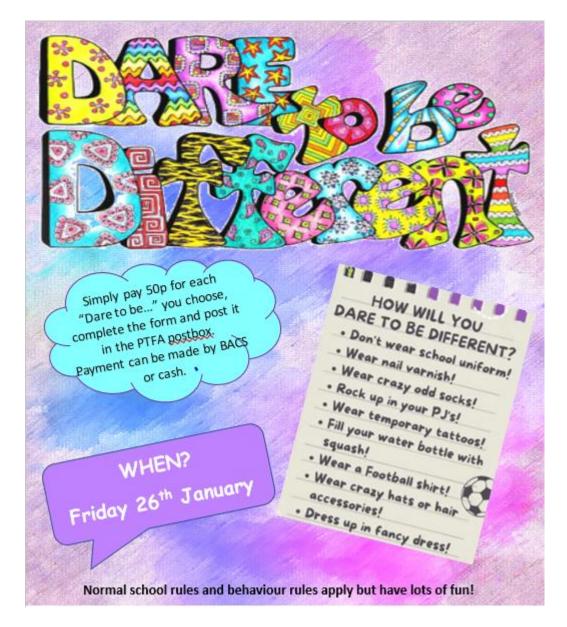
#### **Stalbridge Youth Choir** (aged 7 up)

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 <a href="mailto:beckymitch05@gmail.com">beckymitch05@gmail.com</a>.



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. Thank you.

**Dare to be different day – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January** Booking forms came home on Tuesday – please complete with your child's chosen "differences" and return with payment (by BACS or cash) to the PTA postbox by the school office as soon as possible.



We hope you all have a great weekend.

#### Mr Webb





## **DIARY DATES - 2023/24 Academic Year**

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

JANUARY:	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	PTA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am p
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
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 3 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	3.30pm School closes for half term
	12th FEBRUARY to 16th FEBRUARY - HALF TERM
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
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
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.05am End of Term Awards
Thursday 28th	Easter Experience in Church
	3pm School Closes for the Easter Break
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	GOOD FRIDAY – school closed
APRIL:	
	1st APRIL to 12th 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
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:	
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Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET Day – school closed

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 24th	9.05am End of Term Awards
	2pm Leavers Service in school
	3pm School Closes for the Summer Break

<u>Please note</u>: 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.