



Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



Newsletter (11) Friday 24th November 2023



Collective Worship Reflections



This week we began our build-up to Christmas in our Collective Worship times. Advent is a time of waiting and preparing for something special that is about to happen. The four candles of Advent stand for hope, love, joy and peace. We asked the children to reflect on whether they could share one of these lovely feelings with someone else this Advent time. During our Friday reflection time, Ruby's Phoebe shared "I can show hope by giving to charity" and Layla said "I can spread joy by being funny to other people and smiling to make their day".



Worker of the Week



Diamond

Nelly for your brilliant effort in Nativity rehearsals this week! You have been performing with confidence and pride. Well done!

Ada for your brilliant effort during yoga this week. You persevered with the challenging moves and showed great confidence. Well done!

Emerald

Ada for her fantastic team work in Art this week. Ada encouraged her team to take turns and work together to create their tortoise sculpture.

Sienna for her amazing focus and determination during her assessments this week. Well done Sienna!

Ruby

Norah for writing an excellent narrative about the dream giver, making sure she used fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases in her writing.

Olivia for working hard in Maths this week, multiplying and dividing by 4 and 8 - well done Olivia!

Topaz

Atticus for demonstrating his knowledge of notes and being able to play accurately with good timing on the glockenspiel to a piece of music. Well done Atticus!

Jessica for improved focus in all lessons this week but particularly in English. She has worked well with her group to produce an interesting and engaging Brazilian travel guide.



Templecombe
Token
Certificates



Congratulations go to Scarlett from Diamond Class and Freddie S, Evelyn and Tommy from Ruby Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Out of School Achievements

Well done to Theodore from Emerald Class for achieving Stage 4 Learn to Swim award.

A big well done to all of you!



Diamond Class have been working hard during Science, exploring the concept 'states of matter'. They have learnt all about different materials and their properties. On Tuesday, Diamond Class were set the challenge to create a home which would be suitable for their penguins. They showed great imagination and reasoning. Well done!



Updates

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 4th and 11th December will be different. Your child brought home a menu which covers those two weeks, along with a letter regarding the Christmas lunch – the deadline for the return of these forms is today, **Friday 24th November**. Any replies received after today will not be included.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Together we raised a total of £100.96 through our sales of Poppies and related merchandise. Thank you to everyone who donated.





PTA Christmas Fayre

A reminder that letters came home last Friday about bookings for our special Christmas visitor and an order form for Christmas trees and wreaths. The special visitor forms need to be returned by next Wednesday 29th November. Any replies received after this date will not be included.

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 8th 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.

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 1st 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

Scouts
2nd Templecombe Scout Group

BINGO

Christmas

Saturday 9th December 2023

At Templecombe village hall

Doors open 6.30pm

Raffle

Come along for a fun nights entertainment

Full Christmas 2 course meal £10

Pre book by calling 01963 370583

Please leave a message if answer phone kicks in

Name, contact number, amount of meals you would like, Thank you

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Charity No.117223

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

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

RAFFLE
Great prizes
to be won!

Prize
for the best
Christmas
Outfit or
Jumper!

DIARY DATES - 2023/24 Academic Year

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

NOVEMBER:

Friday 24th

Deadline for ordering Christmas Hot Lunch / hot meals for last 2 weeks of term

DECEMBER:

Friday 1st

Non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate for the Chocolate Tombola Stall

Wednesday 6th

Yr3/4 & Yr5 Residential deadline for payment of deposit

Thursday 7th

Nativity performances to parents at 9.15am or 2.15pm

Friday 8th

PTFA Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 12th

Deadline for ordering Christmas Trees and Wreaths

Thursday 14th

PTFA Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow

Friday 15th

Christmas Hot Lunch followed by Class Christmas Parties (non-uniform day)

Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

9.05am End of Term Awards

2pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church

3pm School Closes for Christmas

18th DECEMBER to 1st JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY:

Tuesday 2nd

INSET Day – school closed

Wednesday 3rd

School re-opens

Tuesday 23rd

PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

Friday 25th

PTA Dare to be Different day – more details to follow

FEBRUARY:

Friday 2nd

Yr3/4, Yr5 & Yr6 Residential – deadline for 2nd payment

Monday 5th

Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)

Tuesday 6th

Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)

PTFA Spring Disco – booking form to follow

Friday 9th

3.30pm School closes for half term

12th FEBRUARY to 16th FEBRUARY - HALF TERM

Monday 19th

School re-opens

MARCH:

Friday 15th

Red Nose Day fundraiser at lunchtime

Tuesday 26th

Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow

Wednesday 27th

9.05am End of Term Awards

Thursday 28th

Easter Experience in Church

3pm School Closes for the Easter Break

Friday 29th

GOOD FRIDAY – school closed

APRIL:

1st APRIL to 12th APRIL – EASTER BREAK

Monday 15th

INSET Day – school closed

Tuesday 16th

School re-opens

Friday 19th

Yr3/4, Yr5 & Yr6 Residential – deadline for final payment

Monday 22nd

PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

MAY:

1st/2nd/3rd

Year 5 Residential to New Forest

Monday 6th

Bank Holiday – school closed

7th/8th

Yr3/4 Residential

13 th to 16 th	SATS Week
20 th to 23 rd	Year 6 Residential
Friday 24 th	3.30pm School closes for half term

27th MAY to 31st MAY – HALF TERM

JUNE:

Monday 3rd	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 4 th	School re-opens
Tuesday 11th	PTFA Summer Disco
Monday 17 th	Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs

JULY:

Wednesday 3 rd	Swap a class afternoon To Be Confirmed
Friday 5 th	School Sports Event
	PTFA Summer Fayre
Monday 15 th	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
Tuesday 16th	PTFA Movie 'n' Munch
Monday 22 nd	Yr6 Trip
Tuesday 23 rd	Whole School Fun Day
Wednesday 24 th	9.05am End of Term Awards 2pm Leavers Service in school

3pm School Closes for the Summer Break

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.