

## Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



## Newsletter (5) Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023



# Collective Worship A Reflections



## **Collective Worship**

We have now moved into our time of celebrating Harvest. This week we focus on the Parable of the Soils; Jesus used four different types of soil to explain how different people respond to God's call. During our Friday reflection time children shared their reflections on this story and, in the younger classes, what they do to be a good grower? Harry from Diamond Class said "To be a good grower I respect the world" and Tabitha from Topaz Class shared "You can try and aim to be like the good soil, letting God help you to grow".



## Worker of the Week



## **Diamond**

**Gabriel** for your fantastic natural sculpture in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. **Scarlett** for your brilliant effort in phonics this week.

#### **Emerald**

**Simeon** for good Maths work this week, adding 10 to a two digit number. **Rita-Rae** for good Maths work, subtracting numbers using a number line.

### Ruby

**Freddie E** for working very hard in Maths this week and persevering with rounding numbers to 10. Well done Freddie!

**Jacob H** for having a great attitude towards all of his learning this week, but especially in Maths, where he has worked hard to learn how to round numbers to 10, 100 and 1000 - keep up the excellent work!

#### Topaz

**Bella D** for her independent work with multiplication this week and having a great attitude to some very challenging Math problems.

**Mason** for being a great team player in PE sessions and showing a good understanding of the skills of receiving and passing a ball in a range of team sports.

## **Out of School Achievements**

Well done to **lesha** in Topaz Class for receiving several horse-riding awards at the Groomathon Show including 1<sup>st</sup> for best turnout, 1<sup>st</sup> for colour pony, 3<sup>rd</sup> in the finals and 4<sup>th</sup> for veteran ride. She also came first in the semi-finals for which she was awarded a magnificent trophy which we saw in assembly this morning.



## **Our Curriculum**





In Topaz Class we have been continuing our Science work on forces. Using Newton Meters to measure the force required to pull an object over different surfaces (so friction) and starting to build K-Nex models which have gears, pulleys and levers so that we can understand how these simple machines have enabled the development of the human race from ancient pyramids to modern day sky scrapers.













## Templecombe Art Exhibition ~ Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October

This weekend sees the return of the Templecombe Art Exhibition, being held in the Village Hall on Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 5pm. Admission is free but refreshments will be available to raise funds for the Motor Neurone Disease Association. Congratulations to Matilda (YrR) George (Yr1), Olivia (Yr2), Darcey (Yr3), Olivia T (Yr4), Atticus (Yr5) and Sophia (Yr6) whose pictures were chosen to be displayed at the exhibition.

## **Experience Harvest**

Next Monday (9<sup>th</sup> October), the children will be going to the Church to take part in a series of activities organised by our Year 6 children, all themed around Harvest. As part of this, pupils will have an opportunity to donate gifts of tinned / dried foods, which will join with the Church's donations and be distributed to those in need. Parents are welcome to join us during their child's session (Diamond 9.15am / Emerald 9.55am / Ruby 10.50am / Topaz 11.25am). It would be great if children could bring a food donation into school with them on the morning of the 9<sup>th</sup>, but please don't feel you must.

## Whole School Flu Immunisations

An email was sent to all parents recently containing details of the upcoming vaccinations which will take place during the school day next week. Parents must please complete the decision form (one for each child) using the online link in Somerset Saint's letter as soon as possible. **The link for the form will close at 12 mid-day on Wednesday 11 October**. If you are unable to access the online consent form for any reason, please contact Somerset SAINT for assistance on Tel: 0300 3230032.

Pop up shop – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October



For this season's shop we will be asking for:

- Hats
- Onesies

Pyjamas • Shoes (size must be visible)

We do ask that all clothing is washed and in good, wearable condition. If possible please remove / cross through any name tags.

> Items are to be dropped off at the KS2 shelter on

Tuesday 10th October - before and after school.

The shop will be open on the Wednesday 11th October 3:20pm -3:40pm, in the lower school playground.



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### **AGM**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm – please do come if you are able.

The best bit is that it's a 'moneyless' shop; financial donations are

community to recycle/reuse children's clothing.

accepted but not expected - this is merely an opportunity for us as a

## PTA Glo-Disco – Wednesday 18th October

For the day of the upcoming Glo-Disco children are welcome to wear non-uniform to school, even if they are attending the KS2 disco. It would be great if children could wear something bright to represent the "Glo" theme. Obviously clothing choices and shoes should be suitable for school activities and children will need a coat for playtimes.

We hope you all have a great weekend.

Mr Webb



Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School Is your child starting primary school in September 2024? Please come for a tour of our School and meet our staff You are warmly invited to visit our school and see it 'in action'. You will <mark>be welc</mark>omed <mark>by o</mark>ur <mark>Hea</mark>d T<mark>each</mark>er <mark>a</mark>nd have the opportunity to meet our Early Years Staff. We hope to be able to an<mark>swer an</mark>y quest<mark>ions</mark> that you may have rela<mark>ted</mark> to <mark>the</mark> sch<mark>ool and applying for a place. We will al</mark>so <mark>be</mark> ab<mark>le t</mark>o sh<mark>are</mark> <mark>our Parent</mark>'s Guide <mark>which provides</mark> more inform<mark>at</mark>ion. The tours will take place on: Wednesday 18th October at 9.45am Thursday 2nd November at 9.45am Wednesday 15th November at 9.45am Please contact Michelle Greene (01963 370481) to let us know which tour you would like to join. If these dates are not convenient, please do contact the school office to book an informal tour at another time. We hope to see you soon







## Signalong

Sign-supported communication system parents, carers and professionals

Signalong is a sign-supported communication system designed for children and adults with speech and language difficulties. Most users learning disabilities or autism spectrum disorders, but the system is available to anyowho needs signing, including those with phys disabilities or hearing impairment.

It is based on a consistent method of analysi and presenting signs, mostly drawn from BSL which enables users to select vocabulary relevant to them.

This workshop will cover the philosophy and methodology of Signalong before teaching approx. 60 key words. CPD accreditation for training companies, conference providers, professional bodies, universities, academic institutions and corporate organisations. Activities are provided put the vocabulary into context and reinforce learning. Participants receive a certificate.

A marvelous course that has really supported me developing effective communication skills.

With a range of learners in School and home settings."

Safeguarding and Attendance officer.

June 2023

#### <u>Details:</u>

Friday 3rd November 2023 09:30 - 15:00pm Bradbury Training Centre at Fiveways School, Yeovil. Parents/carers and Professionals: £35.00

#### To book:

https://www.supportservicesforeducation.co.uk/Event/203530





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

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

OCTOBER:	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Experience Harvest (Church) - parents are welcome to attend their children's
•	session – see details above
	Parents Evenings 3.40pm to 5pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evenings 3.40pm to 6.30pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Pop Up Shop 3.20pm-3.40pm in lower school playground
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Flu vaccinations – check email to confirm date
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA AGM in school 7pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Glo-Disco
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Yr6 Maths Visit
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am School Tour for September 2024 intake
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	3.30pm School closes for half term
-	23 <sup>rd</sup> October to 27 <sup>th</sup> October - HALF TERM
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 31st	School reopens
NOVEMBER:	
Wednesday 1st	9.15am Pantomime at school
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.45am School Tour for September 2024 intake
Wednesday 8th	Tempest Photography – individual photographs
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Act of Remembrance, 11am at Templecombe War Memorial
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Sunday – Church Service
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am School Tour for September 2024 intake
DECEMBER:	
Friday 8th	PTFA Christmas Fayre – details to follow
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Hot Lunch followed by Class Christmas Parties (non-uniform day)
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
	3pm School Closes for Christmas
	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 pleas
FEBRUARY:	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)
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:	

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:	
	1st APRIL to 12th APRIL - EASTER BREAK
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
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
13th 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
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
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.