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## Newsletter (11) Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020

### Collective Worship

In our reflection times this week we have been focusing on the stories of King Solomon; how he asked God for wisdom and used it to help two mothers and the story of Elijah.

In our Friday reflection time Diamond's Olivia said 'We need to make good choices' and Ava said 'We need to look after people'. Ruby class's Tyler shared 'I think God is wise because he makes wise choices' and Megan added 'I think my dad is wise, because he has good ideas and taught my sister and me how to share, be kind and play together'. Evelyn in Topaz class said, 'King Solomon used his wisdom to tell who was telling the truth' and Alina added 'Believe in God and he will be with you'. Emerald Class discussed wisdom and came up with these ideas of what it means: good ideas, making difficult decisions, being open and honest.

### Worker of the Week

This week our 'Workers of the Week' are...

**Diamond Class:** Logan for his excellent learning attitude and the positivity and effort he brings to each learning challenge that he is set!

**Emerald Class:** In the past, Casey hasn't enjoyed performing, but this week he volunteered to play a part when we were acting out a situation from Rosa Park's life story. It was great to see you being so brave. Well done Casey!

**Ruby Class:** Hayden for applying his excellent problem solving and reasoning skills in maths.

**Topaz Class:** Layla for trying really hard with all her work this week, even when she finds it tough. She has been an excellent leader for her project group.



### Hot Meals

We have a new menu for hot meals starting in January 2021 which was emailed out to parents yesterday. If you wish to order, please return your booking form (with payment if applicable) to the school office by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that when we come back to school after Christmas, on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, we will be on week 4 of the rolling menu.

### Christmas Dinner

We are also pleased to be able to offer our Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. You will find the Christmas Lunch booking form attached to this newsletter email. The deadline for booking a Christmas Dinner is **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. Any bookings received after this date cannot be accepted.

### Christmas plans

Each class now has a Christmas postbox for children to deliver their Christmas cards which must come into school no later than Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December so they can be quarantined before sorting and delivering in the last week of term. Any cards received after the 7<sup>th</sup> will not be delivered.



We have lots of lovely Christmas activities planned for the last two weeks of term so we will definitely be spreading some festive cheer which I think you will agree, is much needed at the moment.

### Christmas Trees & Wreaths

Three Counties Landscaping Ltd in Castle Cary are offering the PTFA 10% of our school's sales of their Christmas Trees and Wreaths. Items ordered will be delivered directly to your home address. They are aware that PTFA funds across the country are being affected due to Covid difficulties and they are pleased to be able to support us in this way. The order form is attached to this newsletter email – please place your order by their deadline of **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**.

## Finally...

I am sure you will all have read the e-mail regarding Mr Webb. We will of course keep you updated on the situation but want to reassure you that all the staff are working hard to keep the school running as it should. Just a reminder that if you do have any questions or concerns please contact myself or Mrs Mewett, not Mr Webb, so he is able to rest and focus on getting well.

### PTFA Update

## Starting Monday! Our Virtual Christmas Fayre!



All details will be on the PTFA Facebook page from Monday "The Abbas and Templecombe School PTA" Just leave a comment under each event and the PTFA team will get back to you. Or alternately email us on [Templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com](mailto:Templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com). Winners will be announced at a live streamed finalé.

### Timetable of Events

Monday 30th November	Raffle tickets will go on sale	£1 each
Tuesday 1st December	Cash for Christmas candy cane - <i>every candy cane purchased is entered into a pot</i> 1st prize=£100 cash 2nd prize=£30 cash & bottle of Prosecco 3rd prize=chocolate hamper	£2 each
Wednesday 2nd December	Guess the name of the teddies - 3 teddies to win.	£1 a go
Thursday 3rd December	Guess how many sweets in the jar	50p a go

All payments should please be made by BACS.

### Santa is coming for Christmas

Amazing news – Santa has agreed to record personalized messages from his grotto. He will deliver a personal message to family members or friends far and wide, giving an extra special personal touch to Christmas this year. The PTFA will email you the video clip for you to either send on or show your family. All this for only £5 per message, payable to the PTFA by BACS. Please email details of the message you would like, e.g. names, present ideas, etc. or anything specifically you would like Santa to say to [templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com](mailto:templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com). **Closing date for personalised videos is December 11th.** Santa is a busy man after that!

### Emails

The PTFA now have their own email ([templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com](mailto:templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com)) and would like to use this to arrange bookings and publicise their events/activities directly to parents. Due to GDPR regulations parents need to opt-in so if you are happy to do so, please drop them an email containing your name as well as your child's name, class and year group.

*"Thank you"* from the PTA team.

It's been another great week! We hope you all have a good weekend.

Mrs Brazier

Enc: Christmas lunch booking form  
Christmas tree/wreath booking form

## DATES FOR THE DIARY ~ December 2020

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### NOVEMBER:

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**Monday 30<sup>th</sup>** PTFA Christmas Fayre - Raffle tickets on sale online from today

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### DECEMBER:

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**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>** PTFA Christmas Fayre - Cash for Christmas candy cane online game

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>** PTFA Christmas Fayre - Guess the name of the teddies

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>** PTFA Christmas Fayre - Guess how many sweets in the jar

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup>** **ORDER DEADLINE for hot meals for January/Christmas Dinner/PTFA Trees & wreaths**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup>** **DEADLINE for Christmas cards to be received in class postboxes**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>** PTFA Christmas Fayre – closing date for raffle & online games

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Party Day – non-uniform day with party food lunch (details to follow)

4pm PTFA live raffle drawer/online games winners announced

**14-18 December** Christmas week – various activities planned in school

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Lunch

No Brass lesson this week

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>** 9.10am End of Term Awards – in classes on Teams

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children charity fundraiser

**2pm School Closes for Christmas. No After Fun provision.**

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>** Church Christmas Carol Service, 4pm on Zoom (details to follow)

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**MONDAY 21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER to FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK**

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### JANUARY:

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**Monday 4<sup>th</sup>** **INSET Day – school closed**

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