



# Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



**Newsletter (5) Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

## **Templecombe Together Food Larder**

Next week sees the launch of the new community initiative; this pulls together help for those in need but also a desire not to see food wasted unnecessarily. So just as many of you have taken some food from the food share table outside of school over the last couple of weeks, please do access this new resource in the Church on Tuesdays and Fridays between 1.30pm and 4.30pm.



## **Collective Worship Reflections**



### **Collective Worship**

At this time of year, we focus on Harvest. Thank you to those who joined us in the Church on Monday where we heard the Year Six children reflecting on God's provision and how we can and should help others more in need. Thank you for the very kind donations that are already set up in the Church ready for the launch of the Food Larder next week.

During our Friday reflection time we shared pupils' reflections. Ruby class's Sophia summed up all our reflections on Harvest by writing this lovely prayer: 'Dear God, thank you for the seasons that help farmers' crops grow. Thank you for the time of giving and donating and the crops for winter, the pumpkins and sunflowers, with the golden leaves that fall. Amen'.



## **Worker of the Week**



### **Diamond**

**Jack** for persevering when blending his sounds in phonics.

**Olivia** for making great progress in her writing.

### **Emerald**

**Freddie E** for his incredible focus and stamina in writing this week. Freddie has worked hard on retelling and adapting our story of the week.

**Austin** for his amazing attitude in PE. Austin is confident and focused and we can always rely on him to model his learning to the rest of the class.

### **Ruby**

**Jacob D** for always doing his very best and presenting his work with beautiful handwriting. Over the past weeks he has become more confident at asking questions and offering ideas in front of the class.

**Grace** for always having a great learning attitude, offering lots of ideas and working especially hard in Maths - this week she completed all the layers!

### **Sapphire**

**Rebecca** for working hard in all of her lessons this week, but especially in Maths where she has successfully managed to add 5 digit numbers with an exchange, using column addition - excellent work Rebecca!

**Casey** for trying his best in English and using some excellent vocabulary in his writing, as well as working on using his best handwriting in all of his work - well done Casey!

### **Topaz**

**Annabelle** has been working incredibly hard in Topaz since the start of the year. This week she has written an excellent e-mail home from her trip to the African Savanna, showing excellent writing skills and knowledge of the biome.

**Daisy** for trying really hard to focus in Maths this week and completing a larger amount of work. She has shown great perseverance with some tricky Math calculations. We were also really impressed with her mature approach to her friendships this week, making some really sensible decisions - we are super proud of you Daisy!

**Learn to Swim** Congratulations to Emily for achieving her Level 3 Learn to Swim award.

A big well done to all of you!

If your child achieves an award, medal or trophy through participating in an outside-of-school club or activity we would love to hear about it and congratulate them at our weekly Friday worship. Please bring certificates etc to the school office.



Emerald Class have been busy in Design and Technology this half term, exploring the concept 'textiles' and working towards making their own hand puppets. They all worked hard on developing their sewing skills, even threading the needles independently! They have evaluated existing products and have designed and decorated their hand puppets ready for the big sew this Friday!



### **New contact email addresses**

Please be aware that our contact email addresses have now changed (this was due to a County wide change). The office can now be reached on [office@abbastemplecombprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@abbastemplecombprimary.co.uk) and my new email is [jwebb@abbastemplecombprimary.co.uk](mailto:jwebb@abbastemplecombprimary.co.uk). As you can see, staff's emails are now firstinitialsurname@abbastemplecombprimary.co.uk. For a short period of time emails will be forwarded on but I strongly recommend moving over to the new emails from today.

### **Flu Vaccinations – Whole School**

Please ensure you complete the online consent form (one for each child regardless of whether you wish your child to receive the vaccination or not) <https://www.somersetsaint.co.uk/Forms/Flu>. The portal will close at midday on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November. Our school code is **SM123775**.

### **Outside improvement works**

Over the coming weeks we will be having a lot of our outdoor play areas improved. This will involve general repair works or replacements to large play equipment, resurfacing under the play equipment, a new path down to Forest School, tarmac works near Sapphire classroom and the foundations being laid for an outdoor classroom at the top of Forest School. These works will be funded from three different sources; Somerset County Council, Tilia Homes and our PTA outdoor improvement fund. The majority of the (noisy/disruptive) works will be taking place during half term, but workmen will be on site from Monday and play areas will begin to be closed to children. We are planning on using the lower half of Forest School as an additional play space, when possible, so please do send wellies into school to protect children's shoes.

### **Medicines**

A reminder that school staff are able to administer medication during the school day if your child requires it, but please do not give medication to class staff. Any medicines/creams etc must be brought to the school office for safekeeping and parents need to complete a consent form to confirm dosage/timings etc. Without this form being completed, we are unable to administer medication.

### **Appointments during the school day**

If you need to collect your child during the school day ie. for a medical appointment, please telephone the school office so they can alert staff. There is a chance that an email may not be seen so it is always best to phone and speak to someone on the day.

### **Ad Hoc MDSA vacancies – we're still looking...**

We are looking to recruit ad hoc Lunchtime Supervisory Assistants ensure we can cover when other supervisors aren't available. Experience of working with children in a voluntary or paid capacity is preferred. We have a really friendly and dedicated lunchtime team and full training will be given. The hours are from 11.45am until 1.15pm school term time only, with a commitment of around two to three days a week. This post requires a criminal background check via the disclosure procedure. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

### **Parent Consultations – 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> October**

We look forward to seeing you all at these meetings next week.

### **Pop Up Shop**

Please bring in donations of clean coats, gloves, hats, onesies, pyjamas and shoes for our Pop-Up Shop on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October (Upper playground shelter) and then do take part in taking clothes on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> at pick up time (Lower playground). Thank you.



### **PTA**

#### **Annual General Meeting**

As the PTA is a registered charity it must meet annually for an AGM to agree positions, report on the past year and plan for the year ahead. This meeting is taking place on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm in school. Please do come if you are able.

We hope you all have a great weekend.

*Mr Webb*

# TEMPLECOMBE TOGETHER



**Join us for the launch of the new Templecombe  
Community Fridge & Larder**

**Date: 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**Venue: St Mary's Church, Church Hill, Templecombe**

**Time: 13:30 to 16.30**

Usual opening hours: Weekly Tuesday and Friday 13:30 to 16:30

**A simple solution to wasting less and the sharing of good quality  
food.**

**This is a local initiative for everyone in the village, food for all.**

Volunteers always needed, if you can spare hour or two, we look forward  
to hearing from you.

**Email: [templecombetogether@gmail.com](mailto:templecombetogether@gmail.com)**

Working with the local community, Morrisons and The Coop



## **DATES FOR THE DIARY - 2022/23 Academic Year**

*Entries highlighted in green are new this week!*

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### **OCTOBER:**

**10<sup>th</sup> October**

**Please bring in donations for our Pop Up Shop (see above for details)**

**11<sup>th</sup> October**

Launch of Templecombe Community Fridge & Larder 1.30pm to 4.30pm in Church

Pop Up Shop 3.20pm-3.40pm in lower school playground

Parent Consultations 3.40pm-5pm

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Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA AGM in school 7pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultations 3.40pm-6.30pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	9.45am School Tour for September 2023 intake

**3.30pm School closes for half term**

**24<sup>th</sup> October to 28<sup>th</sup> October - HALF TERM**

Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	School reopens
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## NOVEMBER:

Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.15am Pantomime at school
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1.45pm School Tour for September 2023 intake
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Tempest Photography – individual photographs
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Act of Remembrance, 11am at Templecombe War Memorial
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Sunday – Church Service
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am School Tour for September 2023 intake
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school flu immunisations

## DECEMBER:

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm Nativity – dress rehearsal
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm Nativity – performance to parents
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am Nativity – performance to parents
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Christmas Fayre – details to follow
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am End of Term Awards
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day - Save the Children charity fundraiser
	2pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church

**3pm School Closes for Christmas**

**19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER to 2<sup>nd</sup> JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK**

## JANUARY:

Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

## FEBRUARY:

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>3.30pm School closes for half term</b>
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**13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY to 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY - HALF TERM**

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
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## MARCH:

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr5 & Yr6)
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr5 & Yr6)
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am End of Term Awards
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	2pm Easter Service in St Mary's Church
	<b>3pm School Closes for the Easter Break</b>
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>

## APRIL:

Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
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**3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL to 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL – EASTER BREAK**

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET Day – school closed</b>
24 <sup>th</sup> /25 <sup>th</sup>	Yr3/4 Residential to Hooke Court

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**MAY:**

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**Monday 1<sup>st</sup>**                      **Bank Holiday – school closed**

**3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>**                      Year 5 Residential to New Forest

**8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>**                      SATS Week

**22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>**                      Year 6 Residential to Bournemouth

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>**                      **3.30pm School closes for half term**

**29<sup>th</sup> MAY to 2<sup>nd</sup> JUNE - HALF TERM**

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**JUNE:**

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**JULY:**

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**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>**                      Swap a class afternoon

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup>**                      School Sports Event

PTFA Summer Fayre

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup>**                      9.10am End of Term Awards

2pm Leavers Service in school

**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.