



Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



Newsletter (6) Friday 10th February 2023



Collective Worship Reflections



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We continued to look at miracles from across the Bible. This week we have looked at the story of the Israelites' escape from captivity in Egypt, exploring God's forgiveness and having a fresh start. In our Friday reflection time, Sapphire's Chloe said, "I think God forgives us and gives us many chances because he wants us to forget about our mistakes and for us to keep on persevering on what we find hard." And Ruby class's Patrick shared, "I would change the world so that there were no endangered animals."



Worker of the Week



Diamond

Nelly for being resilient and persevering in your handwriting practice this week.
Lacey for her amazing work when learning how to count in tens this week.

Emerald

Evelyn for her fantastic focus during our RE topic learning about 'The First Revelation' in Islam. Evelyn has developed a good understanding of the Muslim faith.

Alice for applying her personal targets in handwriting, spelling and sentence types to create a wonderful piece of written work. Well done Alice!

Ruby

Layla for being really focused, working independently and producing lots of learning in sessions, particularly in Maths.

Jacob D for working independently to produce some great sentences for his newspaper report this week.

Sapphire

Jessica for using her knowledge and understanding in RE this week and creating an excellent information sheet about the five days of Diwali - keep up the fantastic work Jessica!

Rebecca for showing perseverance in Maths this week when learning how to divide 4-digit numbers with carrying and remainders - well done Rebecca!

Topaz

Tyler D for being so helpful with cooking this week, brilliantly demonstrating his expertise in many areas of cooking.

Willow for demonstrating her understanding in RE this week and producing beautifully presented work in her RE book.



Templecombe Token Certificates



Congratulations go to Jessica from Sapphire Class and Phillip and Joel from Topaz Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Tamsin, Nala and Ronnie from Emerald Class, Patrick from Ruby Class, Darcey, Ruby-Mai and Elisa from Sapphire Class and Molly from Topaz Class for achieving their Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Olivia and Ruthi from Topaz Class for achieving their Gold Templecombe Token certificate this week.

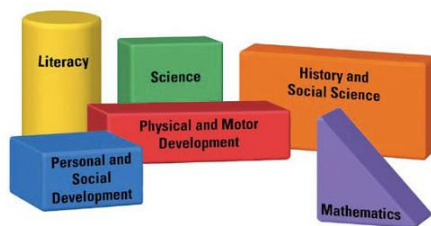
Out of School Achievements

Congratulations to Abigail from Diamond Class for achieving her Stage 1 swim certificate, Grace from Ruby Class for achieving her Stage 6 swim certificate and to Jessica and Sophia from Sapphire Class for achieving their Stage 4 swim certificates.

Congratulations also go to Elisa from Sapphire Class for achieving her Grade 1 Ballet award with High Merit.

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.



Our Curriculum



At the end of each half term we have a Religious Education focus week so, unlike other subjects, we teach all our RE objectives across one week rather than spread across a half term. This week has seen more of a focus on the other major world faiths with classes learning about Hinduism, Judaism, Islam and Christianity.

Diamond Class have been exploring 'Creation' this week and created Christian Creation Story boxes! The children added the things God created in each of the seven eras of creation.



Sapphire Class have been learning all about Hinduism. They have found out about the story of Rama and Sita, the festival of light, Diwali, the festival of colour, Holi and the law of karma.

Ruby Class have been learning about the Jewish faith, specifically the 10 Commandments and discussing which ones they think are most important or relevant to Jews today.



Emerald Class have been learning about Islam, focusing on the core beliefs, key artifacts and 'The First Revelation'.



Alongside their work on Islam, Topaz Class have also dedicated learning time to a Design and Technology cooking day. They cooked dishes linked to countries they have been learning about in Geography. The children all participated in cooking: Scotch Pancakes, Mexican Bean Chilli and Brazilian Salsa. They then enjoyed sitting together and sharing the food during the afternoon.



Reading Ambassadors

To help promote a love of reading, we have chosen a group of avid readers from Topaz and Sapphire classes to become our very first Reading Ambassadors. They spend time during reading sessions in the younger classes, listening to children read or sharing stories. Throughout the term, they will also help run events that raise the profile of reading for pleasure.



World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March with the children dressing up as a book character - this can be anything from fancy dress outfit to sports kit or everyday clothes. There will be workshops and activities based on a book/genre/author.

Piano Lessons

Ms Ruth Jenkins is a local music teacher who will be available to teach individual piano lessons in school on Monday mornings from the beginning of March. Ms Jenkins has many years' experience teaching music in primary schools and also piano lessons as a peripatetic teacher. Costs are £12 for 30 minutes / £8 for 20 minutes / £6 for a 15 minute lesson and these would be arranged directly by the parent emailing Ms Jenkins at rmjmusicplay@icloud.com.

Premises Work over Half Term

We continue to try and improve our school buildings and grounds. Over half term we will be using special DfE funding, given to help make the school more environmentally friendly, to replace the four large windows that go up the side of the hill by the school. Also over half term, Morgan Sindall will be funding the installation of a new shelter in Forest School – it is great that this is being done and will allow us to put more of our outside area improvement plans into place.



PTA Meeting

Our next meeting will be in school at 6.30pm on Wednesday 22nd February to discuss events up to and including Easter.

We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable week away from school and will see you again on Monday 20th February.

Mr Webb

**Come and join us
at a fund-raising
Mugs & Nibbles**

Some of us will be aware that local resident, Kara Scammell is suffering from TN (Trigeminal Neuralgia)



Kara is hoping to raise enough money to pay for radio frequency lesioning with her neurosurgeon in Bristol. Without funding Kara would need to wait for many months.

**MUGS & NIBBLES
TO HELP KARA
At the Social Club
Saturday 11th February
12noon to 3:00pm**

Tea Coffee - Soft Drinks - cakes - savouries
Raffle - Stalls - Nail Bar - Games

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2022/23 Academic Year

Entries highlighted in green are new this week!

FEBRUARY:

13th FEBRUARY to 17th FEBRUARY - HALF TERM

Monday 20th	School re-opens
MARCH:	
Tuesday 14th	Parents Evening (3.40pm – 6.30pm)
Thursday 16th	Parents Evening (3.40pm – 5pm)
Monday 27th	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr5 & Yr6)
Tuesday 28th	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr5 & Yr6)
Wednesday 29th	9.15am End of Term Awards
Thursday 30th	2pm Easter Service in St Mary's Church 3pm School Closes for the Easter Break
Friday 31st	INSET Day – school closed
APRIL:	
<u>3rd APRIL to 14th APRIL – EASTER BREAK</u>	
Monday 17th	INSET Day – school closed
Wednesday 19th	Final payment due for Yr3/4, and Yr5 Residentials
24th/25th	Yr3/4 Residential to Hooke Court
MAY:	
Monday 1st	Bank Holiday – school closed
Tuesday 2nd	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
3rd/4th/5th	Year 5 Residential to New Forest
Friday 5th	Final payment due for Yr6 Residential
Saturday 6th	Coronation of King Charles III
Monday 8th	Additional Bank Holiday – school closed
9th to 12th	SATS Week
22nd/23rd/24th/25th	Year 6 Residential to Bournemouth
Friday 26th	3.30pm School closes for half term
<u>29th MAY to 2nd JUNE - HALF TERM</u>	
JUNE:	
JULY:	
Wednesday 5th	Swap a class afternoon
Friday 7th	School Sports Event PTFA Summer Fayre
Tuesday 11th	PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
Friday 21st	9.10am End of Term Awards 2pm Leavers Service in school
<u>3pm School Closes for the Summer Break</u>	

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.