



Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



Newsletter (9) Friday 11th November 2022



Collective Worship Reflections



Collective Worship

Today we took part in the national Act of Remembrance at Templecombe Memorial – the children were brilliant and really respected the time. Over this week we have been looking at the theme of Remembrance and why it remains important today. During our reflection assembly today, Patrick in Ruby class shared, “We wear poppies to remember soldiers that have risked their lives to protect us” and Topaz’s Charlie Sm said, “It is important to honour our soldiers who fought for our freedom. We will always remember what they have done for us.”



Worker of the Week



Diamond

Freddie for settling in brilliantly into Diamond class and making amazing progress every day.
Georgina for being a kind and helpful member of the class.

Emerald

Freddie S for his excellent perseverance in Science this week, Freddie worked hard to identify the different animal groups and learn some key facts despite finding it difficult initially.
Simeon for his brilliant learning attitude, Simeon always tries his best!

Ruby

Olivia F for working independently in her Maths this week and demonstrating great skills and teamwork in hockey.
Jacob H for showing a good understanding of exchanging when subtracting this week.

Sapphire

Lillian for using her excellent research and note taking skills to find out all about the River Nile.
Chloe for working extremely hard in English to produce an excellent letter in the character of Maia from the book 'Journey to the River Sea'.

Topaz

Phillip for improved focus in all lessons over the last few weeks - especially in Maths!
Ruthi for always showing an excellent learning attitude and being a great role model. She shows great perseverance in Maths when completing challenging questions and when improving the quality of her written work.

A big well done to all of you!



In History this term, Emerald Class are learning about the Gunpowder Plot. On Wednesday the children created their own models of the Houses of Parliament and retold the story in groups to prepare them to write a historical recount of the events leading to November 5th, 1605.



Whole School Flu Immunisations

These immunisations will take place next Friday afternoon (18th November). If you have not yet done so, please complete the online consent form (one for each child) <https://www.somersetsaint.co.uk/Forms/Flu>. This consent goes straight through to the SAINT team.

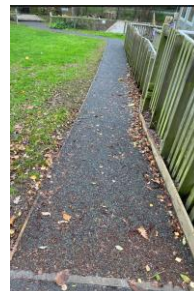
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated towards our collection for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. The whole school paid their respects at the War Memorial in the Churchyard this morning by listening to the last post, respecting the two-minute silence and with two of our Year 6 pupils laying a wreath on behalf of the school.



Playground update

Works to our playground equipment and surfacing have now finished and as you can see, it all looks wonderful. The children have enjoyed being able to make good use of everything at breaktimes and the path down to Forest School has been well used already!



Free School Meals

A quick reminder to all families about Free School Meals - if your circumstances have changed there is support available by way of Free School Meals. If your child qualifies for free school meals, not only will they receive a healthy meal on every school day, it also means the family will receive

financial support with trips and residential. It is easy to find out if you qualify - complete the confidential checker at <https://beta.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/school-life/free-school-meals/#Apply>.

Additional bank holiday

In light of the announcement of His Majesty's coronation on Saturday 6th May 2023, an additional bank holiday has been announced on Monday 8th May. Schools have been told that they must close on this day. When the DfE informs schools what this means for the Year 6, Key Stage 2 test week, we will inform parents.



**School
Council**



**BBC
Children
in Need**

School Council – Children in Need – Friday 18th November

Our School Council have chosen to support Children in Need as their charity for this term. They met together this week and then representatives met with me to discuss their fundraising plans. We agreed that they will run a selection of 10p games at lunchtime for all the children to enjoy and there will be a cake sale in the lower playground after school. Donations of cakes to sell will be gratefully received and should please be delivered to the school office by 9am on the 18th.



PTA Christmas Fayre

Work is continuing on preparations for our Christmas Fayre on Friday 9th December and we are holding a planning meeting on Tuesday 15th November at 7pm in school. We look forward to welcoming you. If you or someone you know would like to have a stall at the Fayre, please do ask them to get in touch via the PTA email: Templecombeschool.pta@hotmail.com. There will be a non-uniform day on Friday 2nd 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.

Christmas Trees and Wreaths

Once again our PTA are partnering with The Market Garden to bring Christmas trees and wreaths to your doors... We'll receive 10% of the value of your order and they deliver to your home. In previous years, parents have always been pleased with the quality of what they have received. Order forms will come home next week.

We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Mr Webb

FREE LUNCH

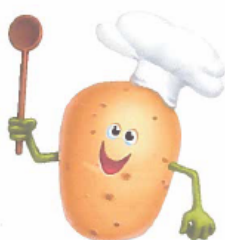
The regular free monthly
community lunch

At the

SOCIAL CLUB

SATURDAY 19th NOVEMBER

12noon to 2:00pm



Families welcome
1st come first served!

This lunch will be jacket
potato with various
toppings including a curry
topping.

Hot drinks will be
available to buy from the
club

The lunches are arranged and provided by
our community group

TEMPLECOMBE TOGETHER

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2022/23 Academic Year

Entries highlighted in green are new this week!

NOVEMBER:

Sunday 13 th	10am Remembrance Sunday – Church Service
Tuesday 15 th	9.45am School Tour for September 2023 intake
	7pm PTA Christmas Fayre planning meeting in school
Friday 18 th	Whole school flu immunisations

DECEMBER:

Friday 2 nd	Non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate for Tombola Stall at Christmas Fayre
Monday 5 th	1.30pm Nativity – dress rehearsal
Tuesday 6 th	2.30pm Nativity – performance to parents
Thursday 8 th	9.30am Nativity – performance to parents
Friday 9 th	PTFA Christmas Fayre – details to follow
Thursday 15 th	9.15am End of Term Awards
Friday 16 th	Christmas Jumper Day - Save the Children charity fundraiser
	2pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church
	3pm School Closes for Christmas

19th DECEMBER to 2nd JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY:

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

FEBRUARY:

Friday 10 th	3.30pm School closes for half term
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13th FEBRUARY to 17th FEBRUARY - HALF TERM

Monday 20th School re-opens

MARCH:

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:

Tuesday 25th PTFA Bags2School collection – donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

3rd APRIL to 14th APRIL – EASTER BREAK

Monday 17th INSET Day – school closed

24th/25th Yr3/4 Residential to Hooke Court

MAY:

Monday 1st Bank Holiday – school closed

3rd/4th/5th Year 5 Residential to New Forest

Monday 8th Additional Bank Holiday – school closed

8th to 11th SATS Week

22nd/23rd/24th/25th Year 6 Residential to Bournemouth

Friday 26th **3.30pm School closes for half term**

29th MAY to 2nd JUNE - HALF TERM

JUNE:

JULY:

Wednesday 5th Swap a class afternoon

Friday 7th School Sports Event

PTFA Summer Fayre

Friday 21st 9.10am 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.