



Abbas and Templecombe Church of England Primary School



Newsletter (4) Friday 20th May 2022



Collective Worship Reflections



We have continued our “Jesus the...” theme with Jesus the Chef, focusing on the time when Jesus appeared to his friends and fed them by the side of Lake Galilee. Our reflective theme this week was ‘If Jesus can help and serve others we should follow his example and do so too’. In our reflection time this morning, Diamond class shared how they could do this in school: “Tidying up, checking if someone is OK, being kind if someone is sad or ill, waiting patiently, helping others with zips and buttons, playing ‘good’ games and setting an example.”



Worker of the Week



Diamond

Austin has showcased his fantastic inquiring mind and learning attitude this week by challenging himself during Free Flow using the science resources. Well done Austin!

Emerald

Daisy-Mai for your positive attitude towards doing your 'special quizzes'. It's been fantastic to see you so confident about your Maths. Keep up the great work!

Bella f76or the improvement with your writing. You have written a great story this week and your handwriting is looking absolutely beautiful. You should feel really proud of the progress you have made. Well done, Bella!

Ruby

Sophia for her excellent persuasive letter in English, using fantastic vocabulary and really focusing on writing in paragraphs.

Havanah for working extremely hard to use ambitious vocabulary in her persuasive letter.

Topaz

Zack for persevering with his English this week. He found the activity challenging but was successful in the end!

Some of the children selected for awards this week were attending events, so not in assembly, hence less awards today - these will be presented in next week's assembly so we can congratulate them all together.



Templecombe Token Certificates



Congratulations go to Tyler D in Ruby Class for achieving his Bronze Templecombe Token Certificate this week.

Congratulations go to Bella from Emerald Class for achieving her Silver Templecombe Token certificate this week.

Well done everyone!



Updates

Parents' Evenings

Thank you to everyone for attending our rearranged parents' evenings this week. Please do contact the school office if you need to rearrange a missed appointment as it is vital that all parents discuss how their children are doing in school.

Bikeability

We would like to say a big thank you to Mr Birbeck and Mr Jeffery for running the Bikeability course and to Mrs Carr and Mr Coward for volunteering their time to support and assist the children. The pupils have thoroughly enjoyed their two days on two wheels (even in the wet weather of today) and we look forward to awarding certificates for their achievements in the coming weeks.

New Class Structure – 2022/23 Academic Year

We have been working incredibly hard to plan next year's class structure so that we balance the needs of our children, the demands of the updated National Curriculum and ensure that we have capacity to grow classes during the school year, as nearby housing developments begin to bring new families to the village. Therefore, we will hopefully be making a permanent return to five classes from September. This will present financial challenges in other areas of spending but we strongly believe that smaller class sizes will give our children the best opportunity to learn and develop.

Diamond	Emerald	Ruby	Sapphire	Topaz
Years R/1	Years 1/2	Years 3/4	Years 4/5	Year 6
21 pupils	23 pupils	21 pupils	22 pupils	22 pupils
New Teacher	Miss Wicks	Mrs Selway	Miss Hancock	Mrs Brazier

This means that children in Years 1 and 4 will be split. Parents of these children will be contacted in late June, once allocations have been considered and discussed by staff.

Diamond class's new teacher has been appointed and we look forward to introducing her once her current school has announced her departure. She will be attending our swap a class afternoon so our new starters and Year 1 children can meet her then.

Next year's term dates are attached to this email for your information.

Athletics/After Fun Clubs next Friday

A reminder that there are no after school clubs are running next Friday, the last day of this half term.

Multi-Skills Festival

A massive well done to our Year 1 and 2 children who took part in the local area multi-sports festival this morning at King Arthur's School. Mrs Mintern reported back that the children were brilliant, taking part in all of the activities and making friends with children from the other schools. Thank you's go to our staff for taking the children and also to King Arthur's staff and pupils who ran the event (especially those who used to attend our school).

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

In School:

We will be holding a special Jubilee themed day on Monday 23rd May - there will be lots of themed activities which we hope the children will very much enjoy. Emerald class would appreciate donations of large pebbles for one of their activities please.

Templecombe Jubilee Celebrations:

There are many fun and enjoyable activities planned over the Jubilee weekend – please go to <https://www.templecombevillage.uk/jubilee.html> to find out more details and get involved.



A massive thank you to Sylvie, Julie and Mrs Johnson for the different roles they played in funding and making the very special Platinum Jubilee bunting which is now up around our playground entrance. The bunting features images drawn by the children during the "Design a Jubilee Mug" drawing competition (completed in school before Easter) – all children that drew a design have been included in the bunting – can you find your child's design?



Frozen Friday!

PTFA will not be selling ice lollies after school this afternoon in the lower playground, they will though be back on sale next Friday. At 50p each it's a lovely way to finish off the school week.

Dare to be Different

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their slips for our Dare to be Different day which is happening on Monday. We look forward to seeing all the differences that children have chosen.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.



Sticky Fingers Pre-School



Friday 27th May 2022
Templecombe Village Hall
doors open at 6.30pm, eyes down at 7pm



**6 BOOKS FOR £5
OR £1 EACH**

ADULTS ONLY

CAKES, TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

FUNDRAISING FOR STICKY FINGERS PRE-SCHOOL

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2021/22 Academic Year

Any dates/events added to this list/updated this month are highlighted in green for ease of identification

MAY:

Monday 23 rd	Dare to be different day – see booking form for information
24 th to 27 th	Yr6 Residential to Foxlease
25 th to 27 th	Yr5 Residential to Foxlease
Friday 27 th	3.30pm School closes for half term

28th MAY to 5th JUNE - HALF TERM

JUNE:

Friday 10 th	Yr6 transition morning at The Gryphon School (8:50-12:00)
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JULY:

Wednesday 6 th	Swap a class afternoon
Friday 8 th	School Sports Event
	PTFA Summer Fayre
Monday 11 th	1.15pm Topaz Production to school
Tuesday 12 th	PTFA Bags2School Clothes Collection – please drop off donations along lower playground wall before 9am
	6pm Topaz production to parents
Wednesday 13 th	1.45pm Topaz production to parents
Friday 15 th	Reports sent home
Monday 18 th	Yr6 Day Trip – details to follow
	PTFA Outdoor Disco

Tuesday 19th Yr6 Day Trip – details to follow

Wednesday 20th Whole school fun day

Thursday 21st Yr6 BBQ and water fight in school time

Friday 22nd 9.10am End of Term Awards
2pm Leavers Service in school hall

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.