



Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (9) Friday 8th November 2024



Collective Worship Reflections



We have been continuing with our theme of “Mr Men” faith, linking this week with Remembrance. This week we looked at Mr Brave, the story of Jesus’ friend Peter in the Bible and how to stand up for what is right. Children reflected on when they or others in their lives have been brave. From Bowie Class, Matilda shared “I had to be brave when I went on a really big and very high climbing wall” and Jacob said “I am brave when I ride my bike in the park without my stabilisers”. Anning Class’s Edith said “I showed courage when I swam 25 meters” and Darcey said “I have been brave in trumpet for playing a solo”.

Invitations from St Mary’s Church

Christingle Service: Sunday 5th December at 4pm. Come and make your Christingle as part of the afternoon of celebration. There will be refreshments, music, prayers and a collection in aid of The Children’s Society.

Christmas Tree Festival: this will be held over the weekend of 14th/15th December. Entries are open to all, not just restricted to local clubs/businesses etc, so if parents would like to provide a tree to decorate, please see the poster at the end of this newsletter for more information and how to obtain an entry form.



Worker of the Week



Nightingale

Isobel for your fantastic work in maths this week. You have been applying previous learning and wanting to work independently to try new challenges. Well done!

Declan for working hard in your phonics this week. You have been segmenting and blending CVC words and have started to write CVC words independently. Well done!

Bowie

Emmet for being consistently dedicated to your work. We are very impressed with how much you put into everything; always with a positive attitude to learning. You are a delight to have in class, Emmet!

Grace K for really improving her Phonics. We are so impressed with how you have worked on your sounds this week, perfecting ‘oy’ and ‘ir’ to use in the spelling of words. Well done, Grace – keep it up!

Anning

Olivia for working hard in maths this week to learn how to use column subtractions when exchanging over the 10's column - well done!

Tamsin for being proactive in our whole class reading sessions, trying her absolute best to listen carefully and answer the questions accurately - well done!

Zephaniah

Jacob H for his fantastic solar system mobile. Jacob worked incredibly hard to complete his work independently.

Amelia for her brilliant learning attitude. Amelia comes to school ready to learn every day – well done!

Out of School Achievements

Well done to Darcey from Anning for achieving her Level 7 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 Wednesday worship. Please bring certificates etc to the school office.



Zephaniah Class

Zephaniah Class have started a Science unit learning about Space. We began by looking at changing theories over time and creating a mobile of the solar system. Everyone persevered to create their mobile and we are looking forward to learning more about Space over the coming weeks.



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has donated towards the Royal British Legion poppy appeal through purchasing merchandise this week. We will be holding a short Service of Remembrance at the War Memorial in St Mary's Churchyard on Monday 11th November, 10.50am. The whole school will attend and a wreath will be laid by representatives from Year 6.



Children in Need – Friday 15th November

We will be marking Children in Need next Friday. This is a great opportunity to have fun but also remember those children less fortunate than our own. We are requesting a donation of £1 per child (to come into class teachers by Wednesday 13th November please).

The following activities will be taking place next Friday:

- **PJs** – All children and staff are invited to wear their pyjamas to school for the day (facepaints and Pugsy-themed paraphernalia are also allowed).
- **Extended morning break** – there will be activities for children to enjoy including bubbles on the field (for those children who have wellington boots in school) as well as a “Guess How Many Pudseys” hunt around the playground.

Parents Evenings

A reminder that, due to staff commitments it was necessary to alter the dates for our Parents Evenings after half term, so they will take place on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th November. You should have received our usual booking letter via your child on Monday this week, so do please check your child’s bag and return the completed form as soon as possible so that teachers can confirm the bookings.

School Tours for September 2025 Starters

We have been pleased at the response so far from new parents of children who will be starting school in September 2025. Our next tour is arranged for Thursday 28th November at 9.45am. As before, please email enquiries@at.bwmat.org to book in.



Next Meeting

Our **next meeting** is booked for **Wednesday 13th November at 2pm** in school where we will be discussing plans and making arrangements for our upcoming Christmas Fayre, the date of which has been changed from that previously advertised. It will now take place on **Friday 6th December**.

Terracycle Don’t forget to keep bringing in your crisp packets to the collection bin at the front of school, outside the office. This scheme is finishing in December so we would like to get another bulk load sent off before the end of this term.

Asda Cashpot for Schools

Asda Rewards have teamed up with Joe Wicks to support UK primary schools through a new “Cashpot for Schools” scheme and we would be grateful if you would support us. All you need to do is open your Asda Rewards app and tap ‘Cashpot’ then ‘Join Cashpot for Schools’ to opt-in. You’ll then be able to select our school and every time you spend £2 or more at [Asda.com](https://www.asda.com) or in store, 0.5% of your total will go to our Cashpot. This is an additional donation and doesn’t affect your personal earnings. Plus, we’ll get an extra £1 for every customer who chooses us and as we are a member of Parentkind, they will add £50 to our Cashpot.

We hope you have a good weekend.

Mrs Brazier

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL
2024

To be held in the Church at St Mary the Virgin, Templecombe



All entries welcome!

Display Dates: 14th and 15th December 2024
Entry Forms to be Returned by 1st December 2024

The Church is open every Tuesday and Friday between 2.30pm and 3.30pm where there will be a box for completed entry forms.

The Church will be open on Friday 13th from 10am to bring and decorate your trees.

Alternatively, please contact Brenda Ford
Mobile: 07747 773982
Email: fairielillie@aol.com



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DIARY DATES - 2024/25 Academic Year

If text is highlighted in green this is a change / addition to the diary dates

NOVEMBER:

Sunday 10th	Remembrance Sunday – Church Service
Monday 11th	Whole School Act of Remembrance, 10.50am at Templecombe War Memorial Whole School Flu vaccinations
Wednesday 13th	2pm PTA Christmas Fayre planning meeting in school
Thursday 14th	9.15am Pantomime at school
Monday 18th	Parents Evenings 3.40pm-6.30pm. KS2 times may differ slightly: more info later
Tuesday 19th	Parents Evenings 3.40pm-5pm. KS2 times may differ slightly: more info later
Thursday 21st	Muddy Church 3.30pm in Forest School
Tuesday 26th	Treat Day Tuesday – bring in 50p for a tuck shop treat at breaktime!
Thursday 28th	9.45am School Tour for September 2025 intake

DECEMBER:

Monday 2 nd	6pm Governors Meeting
Friday 6 th	PTFA Christmas Fayre – details to follow (No After Fun provision)
Monday 9 th	Nativity – dress rehearsal
Thursday 12 th	9.15am Nativity to parents 2.15pm Nativity to parents
Tuesday 17 th	Treat Day Tuesday – bring in 50p for a tuck shop treat at breaktime!
Wednesday 18 th	Christmas Jumper/Outfit Day Christmas Lunch (TBC)
Thursday 19 th	9.05am End of Term Awards / Christmas Lunch / 2pm Christmas Service in St Mary's Church <u>3pm School Closes for Christmas</u> (No After Fun provision)
Friday 20 th	INSET Day – school closed

23rd DECEMBER to 3rd JANUARY – CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY:

Monday 6 th	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 7 th	School re-opens
Monday 20 th	6pm Governors Meeting
Thursday 30 th	PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please

FEBRUARY:

Monday 10 th	Bikeability Day 1 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Tuesday 11 th	Bikeability Day 2 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Wednesday 12 th	Bikeability Day 3 (Yr6 and 5 only)
Friday 14 th	<u>3.30pm School closes for half term</u>

17th FEBRUARY to 21st FEBRUARY - HALF TERM

Monday 24 th	School re-opens 6pm Governors Meeting
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MARCH:

Tuesday 4 th	Pancake Day activities
Monday 24 th	Parents evening 3.40pm-5pm 6pm Governors Meeting
Tuesday 25 th	Parents evening 3.40pm-6.30pm

APRIL:

Thursday 3 rd	9.05am End of Term Awards
Friday 4 th	Easter Experience in Church <u>3pm School Closes for the Easter Break</u> (No After Fun provision)

7th APRIL to 21st APRIL – EASTER BREAK

Tuesday 22 nd	INSET Day – school closed
Wednesday 23 rd	School re-opens
Wed 23 rd - Fri 25 th	Yr5 Residential

MAY:

Monday 5 th	Bank Holiday – school closed
Thursday 8 th	PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please
12 th to 15 th	SATS Week
Monday 12 th	6pm Governors Meeting

Friday 16 th	KS1 Multi-Skills Festival
19 th to 22 nd	Year 6 Residential
Friday 23 rd	<u>3.30pm School closes for half term</u>
<u>26th MAY to 30th MAY - HALF TERM</u>	
JUNE:	
Monday 2 nd	School re-opens
16 th to 17 th	Year 3/4 Residential
Tuesday 17 th	Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs
Wednesday 18 th	INSET Day – school closed
Monday 23 rd	6pm Governors Meeting
Tuesday 24 th	KS2 Top Link Festival
Friday 27 th	Non-uniform day for sweets for Summer Fayre
JULY:	
Wednesday 2 nd	Swap a class afternoon To Be Confirmed
Friday 4 th	School Sports Event / PTFA Summer Fayre
Thursday 10 th	PTA Bags2School collection: donations at lower playground gate by 9am please <i>Yr6 Production – arrangements to follow</i>
Monday 14 th	6pm Governors Meeting
Monday 21 st	Yr6 Trip
Tuesday 22 nd	Whole School Fun Day
Wednesday 23 rd	9.05am End of Term Awards 2pm Leavers Service in school
<u>3pm School Closes for the Summer Break</u> (No After Fun provision)	

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.