

Abbas & Templecombe Church School

Newsletter (10) Friday 15th November 2024



Remembrance









We began our week by holding a short Service of Remembrance at the War Memorial in St Mary's Churchyard where Olivia and Fred from Zephaniah Class laid a wreath on behalf of the school and Mr Webb joined us to play the Last Post. In the afternoon Nightingale Class made collage art based on poppies.

Zephania Class created some Remembrance artwork as part of their reflections this week:



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Poppy Appeal – together we raised £120.57.

Muddy Church – Thursday 21st November, 3.30-4.30pm

Join us in the great outdoors for a fun time of faith-based stories, crafts and much, much more! School children are welcome to attend unsupervised by a parent. Mr Webb will be running the event supported by volunteers from our local church. If you would like your child to attend please email Mrs Greene to give your permission by the end of school on Tuesday. Siblings and Pre-School children are very welcome to attend with an adult.

Worship Monitors



This term we have 5 new worship monitors: Harrison, Atticus, Oscar, Patrick and Alisha. The group have had a very positive start; this week they led our Remembrance Worship and were all amazing!

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.

Carol Service: Sunday 22nd December at 6pm. Come along for a lovely evening of carols (old and new) and the Christmas readings.



Nightingale

Arthur for reading CVC words fluently in your phonics this week. You are working really hard to recognise letters around our classroom environment - well done!

Kyle for joining in during phonics this week when recalling the sounds we have learnt. Well done!

Bowie

Harvey Stb for showing great interest and knowledge in our Science and History work! You have a real talent for all topics Harvey, it's a delight to see you shine!

George for quietly and consistently showing great work in Maths and English. You are a determined learner and your understanding shows that! Keep it up, George.

Anning

Rupert for being an amazing member of Anning class, always trying his best and being kind and helpful to everyone in the class.

Isla S for working hard all week, but especially in our whole class reading sessions, where she concentrates hard to use her inference skills when answering the questions.

Zephaniah

Olivia F for being a kind, caring and helpful member of the class. Olivia sets a wonderful example with her behaviour and learning attitude.

Ava for being brave and demonstrating her dance routine with her group in PE this week. Well done Ava!

Out of School Achievements

Well done to:

- **Evelyn** from Anning Class for achieving her white belt green stripe in Tae Kwon-Do.
- > **Nelly** from Bowie Class for achieving her 5 meters distance award in swimming.



Congratulations go to **Matilda, Harvey Stb, Nelly and Harry B** from Bowie Class for achieving their Bronze Templecombe Token certificate this week.

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.



Bowie Class

Throughout our last half term, Bowie Class put their hands to sewing in D.T. To start our unit, we initially looked at the different types of puppets, naming ones we know and have used (finger puppet, hand puppet, glove puppet) and testing the designs. We also watched the song 'The Lonely Goatherd' from The Sound of Music, in which the cast used all different kinds of marionette puppets. The song was such a hit that we started learning it – we all love the yodelling part!

As the weeks went on – with the expert guiding hands of Ms Tiffin – the children learnt how to thread a needle, complete a stitch, and finally sew together two pieces of fabric in order to create a finger puppet of their own. Each and every child amazed us with their sewing skills – what a creative bunch they are! In the last week of half term, it finally came time to design our finger puppets using our own imagination – every idea embraced! We are all very proud of the work we achieved last half term – and hope the puppets were enjoyed at home!







Children in Need

We raised funds for Children in Need today by wearing our PJs and taking part in a Guess How Many Pudseys hunt around the playground. Class winners were Jaiden (Nightingale), Gabriel (Bowie), Reggie (Anning) and Cameron from Zephaniah. Together we raised £100 today!













A message from Tempest Photography:

Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is **Wednesday 20th November 2024**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit <u>www.tempest-orders.co.uk</u>. If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3). Many thanks,

Whole School Flu Vaccinations

All children in attendance at school on Monday afternoon and for whom parental consent had been provided, received their flu vaccination. Somerset SAINT asked us to circulate details of walk-in clinics for children who missed the session at school: 2024 SOMERSET SAINT FLU VACCINATION WALK IN CLINICS FOR ALL SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (From Reception up to and including Year 11)

| Monday | 18th November 2024 | 14:00-17:00 | Victoria Park Health and Wellbeing Hub; Victoria Park Drive, Bridgwater TA6 7AS |
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| Wednesday | 27th November 2024 | 14:00-17:00 | Summerland's Hospital, Preston Road, Yeovil. BA20 2BX (Room location will be signposted onsite) |
| Saturday | 7 th December 2024 | 09:30-15:00 | Bridgwater Community Hospital, Bower Lane, Bridgwater TA6 4GU |
| Monday | 16 th December 2024 | 14:00-17:00 | Community Families Hub East Reach House, East Reach, Taunton TA1 3EN (Entrance via the rear of the building) |
| Tuesday | 17th December 2024 | 14:00-17:00 | Minehead Community Hospital Luttrell Way, Minehead TA24 6DF (Outpatients Department) |
| Wednesday | 18 th December 2024 | 14:00 17:00 | Frome Town Council, Frome Town Hall, Frome, BA11 1EB |
| Monday | 23rd December 2024 | 09:30-15:00 | Victoria Park Health and Wellbeing Hub, Victoria Park Drive, Bridgwater TA6 7AS |
| Monday | 23 rd December 2024 | 09:30-12:00 | West Mendip Community Hospital, Old Wells Road, Glastonbury BA6 8JD (Outpatients Department) |
| Friday | 27 th December 2024 | 09:30-14:00 | Summerland's Hospital, Preston Road, Yeovil. BA20 2BX (Room location will be signposted onsite) |
| Monday | 30 th December 2024 | 09:30-14:00 | Community Families Hub East Reach House, East Reach, Taunton TA1 3EN (Entrance via the rear of the building) |
| Monday | 30 th December 2024 | 09:30-12:00 | Burnham on Sea Community Hospital, 6 Love Lane, Burnham-on-Sea TA8 1ED (Outpatients Department) |
| Tuesday | 31 st December 2024 | 09:30-12:00 | Chard Hospital Site, Upper Floor, Bracken House, Crewkerne Road, Chard TA20 1YA |

Parents Evenings

You should have received confirmation of your booking for parents evening. Please check with your child's teacher if you have not been notified of your meeting time. Year 6 parents remember to complete the slip that came home this week if your child would like to help out at the evenings.

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 <u>enquiries@at.bwmat.org</u> to book in.



Its Showtime!

The whole school enjoyed M&M Productions' show of Robin Hood on Thursday morning. Thank you to the PTA for funding this visiting team who always provide a great show for the children to enjoy and well done to Jaydee, Mrs Russell and Mr Ferrari for being great sports!



Christmas Cards

Thank you to everyone for returning your child's Christmas Card designs. Orders were sent off on Monday evening so I'm afraid we can't take any further designs now.

Christmas Plans

We held our Fayre planning meeting on Wednesday and would bring to your attention the following:

- Non-uniform day on Friday 29th November in exchange for donation of chocolate for the Chocolate Tombola stall
- > We'd like to receive donations of cuddly toys (not too large please!) for our Adopt a Teddy stall
- We will be running our popular Christmas Café and would appreciate donations of cakes to go with teas and coffees. We'll be sending home a plate to fill nearer the time.

As ever, we need volunteers to help set up and/or help to run a stall so if you have some time that you could offer, please contact the PTA team on their email (<u>ptfa.templecombeschool@aol.com</u>) or let the school office know.

Future Events:

Movie 'n' Munch is booked for Tuesday 17th December – book your child in so you can have extra time for some last minute Christmas shopping without them! Booking form to follow.

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 <u>Asda.com</u> 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







DIARY DATES - 2024/25 Academic Year

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

| NOVEMBER: | |
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| Monday 18 th | Parents Evenings 3.40pm-6.30pm. KS2 times may differ slightly: more info later |
| Tuesday 19 th | Parents Evenings 3.40pm-5pm. KS2 times may differ slightly: more info later |
| Thursday 21 st | Muddy Church 3.30pm in Forest School |
| Tuesday 26 th | Treat Day Tuesday – bring in 50p for a tuck shop treat at breaktime! |
| Thursday 28 th | 9.45am School Tour for September 2025 intake |
| Friday 29 th | Non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate for Chocolate Tombola Stall |
| 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! |
| | Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to follow |
| 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 |
| | 23 rd DECEMBER to 3 rd 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 | 3.30pm School closes for half term |
| | 17 th FEBRUARY to 21 st FEBRUARY - HALF TERM |
| Monday 24 th | School re-opens |
| | 6pm Governors Meeting |
| 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: | |
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| Thursday 3 rd | 9.05am End of Term Awards |

| Friday 4th | Easter Experience in Church | |
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| | | Break (No After Fun provision) |
| | 7 th APRIL to 21 st APRIL – EA | STER 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 | 3.30pm School closes for half term | |
| | <u>26th MAY to 30th MAY - H</u> | IALF TERM |
| 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 pleas | |
| | Yr6 Production – arrangement | ts to follow |
| Monday 14 th | 6pm Governors Meeting | |
| Tuesday 15 th | Movie 'n' Munch – booking form to | follow |
| 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 |
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<u>Please note</u>: 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.