



Templar Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 17th November 2023



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	93%
Courtenay	95% Well done – joint winners!
Templar	95% Well done – joint winners!

This week's whole school attendance: 94.7%

Last week's whole school attendance: 95.8%

RAG Rating		98% and above
		96.1% - 97.9%
		96% and below

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning
Y3/4 or Y5/6 or
High Frequency
spellings

English: Reading
Comprehension

Dear Parents and Carers,

Prior to Tuesday's Church service, I (Mrs Mott) had not taken Templar class off-site but WOW, I was blown away by their exceptional manners and the way they conducted themselves in the church. It is a big deal to be top of the school – being role models to the younger children is something I promote and encourage very seriously – and Templar Class carried that responsibility admirably. Well done children.

Star of the Week

Shay for being so engaged in his learning and showing real determination to

In Maths this week, Year 5 and 6 have been learning how to multiply two-digits by two-digits. There are lots of steps to being successful with this method, so I urge the children to practice more at home. Practice, practice and more practice please! This website is a useful starting point: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z36tyrd/articles/z4chnrd> and this image shows how we introduce the method to the children.

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push himself

		2	3	
x		1	4	
		9	2	(23 × 4)
			1	
	2	3	0	(23 × 10)

Year 4 have been working on column addition and subtraction with exchanges in their Maths lessons. This is a good starting point:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy2mn39/year/z63tt39>

and multiple activities to practice are available here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zc78srd#zqjh3qt>

On Wednesday of this week, Miss Blakesley, who will be teaching the class on Thursday and Friday each week at the end of the month when Mr Bird leaves, came into school to meet the children. She spent the morning in class while Mrs Mott delivered the lessons, Miss Blakesley then taught Y5 and Y6 RE in the afternoon.

Lastly, please can I ask all parents and children to have a really good rummage around at home for any school reading books – down the back of sofas, under beds etc! Please return them to school asap so that we can re-stock our beautiful Book-Nook. Thank you.


Mrs Mott and Mr Bird
Templar Class teachers

Please note:

PE for Year 5 and 6: Wednesday and Thursday.

PE for Year 4: Thursday and Friday.

The school PE kit should be plain black or blue shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms with a plain white t-shirt. (This can be their normal school t-shirt.)

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MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe...

We are stronger together....

Anti-Bullying Week holds a significant place in our school community, fostering a culture of respect and kindness. Throughout this week, we have emphasised the importance of courage in standing up against bullying. In aligning with our school's values, we draw inspiration from Jesus, who exemplified profound courage in his teachings. He reminds us that being courageous often involves taking a path that may not be easy, but it is one that leads to a community built on the values that underpin All Saints Marsh.

We all belong in our School Trust....

A heartfelt thank you to everyone for joining us in our reading session on Thursday. Your presence not only brightened our day but also emphasised the invaluable role you play in fostering a love for books in our children. Sharing stories with loved ones creates cherished memories and nurtures a lifelong love for reading. Together, we are building a foundation for a future fostered by the joy of reading



In removing barriers for all....

As highlighted last week as a school community you have been incredibly generous with your donations to the different PTFA projects that have taken place this academic year. We have been truly blown away by the amount of money you have raised. Look out after Christmas for the PTFA newsletter and their new totaliser with information on the projects our children will experience of due money that has been raised.



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In realising the possible so that all children can flourish....

It was brilliant to see all the children in their bright colours this morning raising money for projects that we as a school feel are extremely valuable. Children in Need time to reflect and commit to supporting initiatives that allow all children to flourish and reach their potential regardless of the barriers they face. As ever our school community have been extremely generous, we thank you for your support with this. We raised a fantastic £77.71. Thank you for your support.



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It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about [managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, we do ask that you call us each day to let us know how your child is doing.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, please let us know.

The following advice is for other illnesses:

Coughs and Colds – It is fine to send your child in to school with a cough or a common cold. However, you should keep them off if they have a fever over 38 degrees.

Chicken Pox – If your child has chicken pox, keep them off school until the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after they start appearing.

Cold Sore – There is no need to keep your child off with a cold sore.

Conjunctivitis – You do not need to keep your child off with this. They may come to school but will need advice from the pharmacy.

Head lice – There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice, but you will want to gain advice from a pharmacist on how to treat it.

Impetigo – If they have impetigo, they will need treatment from a GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until the sores have crusted over and healed.

Sore throat – There is no need to keep your child off with a sore throat unless they have a temperature too.


Vomiting and diarrhoea – children should stay off for 48 hours after being sick or having diarrhoea.

Covid -19 – Your child is no longer required to do a Covid 19 lateral flow test. If your child has mild symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, or cough, and feels well enough, they can still come to school. They should stay at home if they have a high temperature or do not feel well enough to do their normal activities. If a test is taken, they should remain at home for 3 days.

For any minor illnesses like the ones listed above or headaches, sore throats, coughs or hay fever etc, your child can come into school and you can bring medicine to the office for your child to take throughout the day. Please ask for a medical administration form and ensure that it is clearly labelled with your child's name, dosage and time.

We hope this helps you to make decisions about whether your child is well enough to come to school. Any questions, we will be happy to discuss them with you.

For more information, please visit [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

29th November - Templar trip to Coombeshead to watch Panto

30th November - Templar Bake Sale

4th December - Templar Lantern Workshop at the Avenue Church

5th December - PTFA Whole School Cinema Visit - Arthur Christmas

6th December - School Christmas Meal and PTFA Xmas Fayre

13th December - Lantern Parade - Newton Abbot Town Centre

14th December - Nativity at St Pauls' Church 1.45 and PTFA Christmas Disco

FAMILY SUPPORT

THE 2023 WINTER HAF BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN!!!!

If your child/children are entitled to Benefit Related Free School Meals then please see what schemes are available to you in your local area.


<https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/haf-map/>




OFFICE NEWS

Please can we ask families to have a good look around at home for any of our school reading books that may have been borrowed and not returned. We would love them to be reunited with our school library. Thank you

We are excited to have launched our Christmas Events 2023 newsletter! Please take a look , we have lots of exciting things

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