



Templar Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 23rd February 2024



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	98% Well Done!
Courtenay	94%
Templar	97% So Close!

This week's whole school attendance: 96.4%
Last week's whole school attendance: 95.9%

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

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning

Spellings – rules as well as words please.

Reading

Comprehension(s)

Star of the Week

Marley for showing much more determination to show his learning

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Spring 2. I hope you all enjoyed a brilliant Half Term.

In English this week, we started a new unit – Diary writing. The children start each Half Term with an Elicitation piece: this is when they write an example of what their main outcome will be so that teachers can understand what knowledge they already have about that style of writing. In turn, this ensures that our planning can be completely tailored to the children as it is informed by what they already know and what they need. This week's Elicitation showed that, whilst there are skills we need to learn about writing in a Diary style, Templar class are starting to apply writing skills they have learned throughout the year into their own independent writing. I gave the class lots of praise for this as it shows progress and it

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in Maths and for the kindness he can show on the playground.

means we are building new learning on top of more solid foundations 😊
Well done Templar – keep it up!

It brings me such joy that Templar class have so enjoyed the books and authors we have covered so far this year. 'Varjak Paw' by SF Said and 'The Highland Falcon Thief' by MG Leonard and Sam Sedgman have been particular hits. For Christmas, I bought the class other books in the series by these authors. These books have been stamped and Templar have now agreed on a fair way to ensure everyone gets a chance to read them. All names were put in a hat to be drawn at random and a table has been created to keep record of who has each book when. It is absolutely brilliant that the children are so keen to read these new books. Because they are being shared across the whole class, please can I ask that great care is taken with them so that everyone gets a chance to enjoy them in the same way. Thank you.

In Maths this week, Year 5/6 have been working on multiplying and dividing decimals by an integer (whole number). We've applied this skill in lots of different ways: number sentences, word problems with lots of steps and reasoning questions.

Mrs Mott and Miss Blakesley
Templar Class teachers

Please note:


PE for Year 5 and 6: Wednesday and Thursday.
PE for Year 4: Thursday and Friday.

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe.....

We are stronger together

Our school value for this half term is love. Love is a fundamental value that permeates every aspect of All Saints Marsh. In Active Worship this week we have considered whether God's love, or anyone's love for that matter, can truly be measured. As a school we want to embody this love in our daily interactions, showing kindness, compassion, and understanding to those around us. Whether through acts of service, words of encouragement, or simply lending a listening ear, we aim to demonstrate God's love in tangible ways.

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We all belong in our School Trust....

We're thrilled to share that this week we had a visit from a firefighter who spoke to the children about fire safety. It was an engaging and informative session where the children learned about the importance of fire prevention, what to do in case of a fire emergency, and how firefighters help keep our communities safe. Beyond learning about fire safety, this visit provided another valuable opportunity for the children to meet a professional and gain insight into potential careers for their future. We firmly believe that "you cannot be what you cannot see," and exposing our students to a variety of professions at a young age broadens their horizons and inspires them to pursue their passions and dreams.



In removing barriers for all....

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all parents who generously contributed to the Rags to Riches campaign once again this term. Your donations not only ensure that clothes go to a worthwhile cause, but they also play a crucial role in raising vital funds to support our children further. A special thank you goes to the PTFA for their hard work and dedication in organizing this event. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.




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

We're excited to announce that we will be hosting Learning Celebrations during the summer term, and we warmly invite all parents to join us. This will be a wonderful opportunity for you to come into the classroom and see firsthand the incredible learning experiences your children have been engaging in throughout the term. It will be a celebration of all things All Saints Marsh, showcasing the progress and achievements of our students. We'll provide more information, including specific dates and classes, in the coming weeks, so please stay tuned. We can't wait to share this special occasion with you and celebrate the remarkable journey of learning together.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024

- 26.2.24 – 28.2.24 Year 4 Residential
- 4.3.24 6.3.24 7.3.24 Parent Consultations
- 8.3.24 Courtenay Class Forest School
- 8.3.24 PTFA Parent / Carer Day Craft
- 15.3.24 Red Nose Day
- 21.3.24 Cricket Engagement Day
- 22.3.24 Courtenay Class Forest School
- 26.3.24 PTFA Non School Uniform (details to follow)
- 28.3.24 PTFA Forde Class Bake Sale

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29.3.24 – 12.5.24 Half Term

7.3.24 World Book Day

27.3.24 – Easter Service 1.30pm

29.3.24 – 12.4.24 Easter Break

30.4.24 Maths Challenge Day – Year 5 – details to follow.

23.5.24 PTFA Courtenay Bake Sale

24.5.24 National Child Measurements (R and Yr 6)

27.5.24 – 7.6.24 Half Term and Non Pupils Days

14.6.24 PTFA Parent / Carer Craft Day

20.6.24 PTFA Templar Bake Sale

27.6.24 Sports Day / PFA Summer Fete

11.7.24 Sports Day / PTFA Summer Fete (Reserve date)

22.7.24 Leavers Assembly at St Paul's

24.7.24 End of Term

FAMILY SUPPORT



Lottery Funded Family Days 2024

Wild Embers are supporting families with SEND children 6-11 yrs with funded weekend activities

Family Day: Join us at our beautiful site at Blackberry Barn this 2024 for one of our winter family days. The day will include bush crafts, exploring nature and outdoor cooking, with lunch around the fire. Food provided.

Dates: March 2nd, March 3rd, April 27th, April 28th, June 8th, June 9th

Wild Embers is a community orientated and highly impactful provider that has been running since 2017. We are members of the alternative providers network, the parent and carer forum Devon, and have established connections with a large number of Academies. We run a successful Ofsted registered forest school, community gatherings/feasts, father & child days, with a range of specialist support offerings for children and families with SEND.



Cost: We ask for a minimum donation of £5. Any donations you give go will enable us to work with more children and families with special educational and social and emotional health needs, so give generously if you are able.

ADDRESS, DIRECTIONS & BOOKING

To book a family day: email admin@wildembers.org

Cost: Donation only (minimum donation of £5 per family)

Address: Blackberry Barn, Ritson, Halwell, TQ9 7JG

Satnav Instructions:

Follow up until Totnes cross petrol station no further.

Then follow the road around to Kingsbridge (away from Totnes), you will see a sign that says Kingsbridge 6 miles, please take the left hand turn just behind the sign, follow the lane into the old farmyard, now beautiful barn conversions.

Take a slight right, drive in-between new barn conversion and an agricultural barn. The driveway leading to the parking area is directly in front of you between the house and fence. Head down the driveway where you can park on the ménage to your left.

What3words:


Wiggles.worthy.quicker

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COMMUNITY NEWS

STORM IN A TEAPOT
THURSDAY 4TH APRIL, 10 - 11
NEWTON ABBOT LIBRARY

Boo to a Goose Theatre presents an accessible, interactive and multi-sensory show, with puppetry and original music! Best suited to children aged 4-8 and their families.

Tickets just £3 per child, accompanying adults go free!
Tickets can be purchased at the library or by card over the phone.

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As part of the Refugee Employment & Enterprise Project, we understand that English may not be your first language. Fear not! Come in for assistance with ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) and specialized English for Specific Purposes tailored to help you secure the job you desire. 🌍

Here's what you can expect from our 'Get That Job' work seeker sessions:

✅ 1-2-1 Support: Our dedicated 'Get That Job' team is here to guide you through the job-seeking process.

📄 CV Crafting: Learn the art of crafting an impressive CV that stands out to employers.

🔍 Job Search: Discover effective techniques for finding job opportunities.

📁 Application Assistance: Get help with submitting applications and more!

📅 When: Every Thursday morning

🕒 Time: 10am - 1pm

Booking is essential to ensure you receive personalized support. Contact us in advance to reserve your slot

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LAUNCHING THE MUSEUM 'PASTPORT'

A new initiative, the museum Pastport (get it?) allows young visitors to collect a sticker for completing a trail or an activity.




From February half-term, come in to customise your pastport and start collecting stickers. After collecting 10 stickers (one per visit), you can collect a prize!



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By using a pastport in lieu of plastic prizes, we hope to reduce our plastic consumption in the museum.

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