



Weekly Diary

Monday 18 November

During school: Camelot Class swimming
 After school: Fun football club Years 1 -3

Tuesday 19 November

Little Pips parents, you are warmly invited to Curry Rivel C of E Primary School's

Open Morning on Tuesday 19th November from 9.15am to 10.30am



You will have the opportunity to see the children in class, see photos of our recent events, meet the leadership team and have tours led by the Year 6 children. Please let the school office or Little Pips know if you are hoping to attend.

After school: Netball club Years 4 - 6

After school: Gymnastics club Years 1 – 6

Wednesday 20 November

After school: Dodgeball club Years 1- 6

Thursday 21 November

After school: Art club

Friday 22 November

After school: Football club Years 4-6

Dates for your Diary!

9 December	Y5 & 6 to CLP Carol Concert at 1.30 in Somerton
10 December	Nativity (afternoon)
11 December	Nativity (evening)
13 December	Wear a Christmas jumper (in aid of Save the Children)
19 December	Christmas service at St Andrew's at 2pm
23 December – 6 January	School Holidays
7 January	Return to school
14 February	Inset day
17 February – 21 February	Half term
6 April – 17 April	Easter holidays
25 May – 29 May	Half term
17 July	Break up for summer holidays



He came so that we may have life and have it to the full

John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have a really exciting week ahead for the school – an open morning for ‘new’ parents and carers on Tuesday, and the two interview days for a new headteacher. The latter is very promising as we had a good field of applicants with four strong candidates being interviewed. I appreciate the amount of time and care that the governors have been putting into the process and we will share the decision as soon as we are able.

A plea to all those who have packed lunches! We are missing about 100 spoons and need them urgently for Christmas dinner day. We think that children borrow spoons for their yogurts, etc and accidentally put them into their lunchboxes afterwards. Please could you send in any spoons which may be lurking in your cutlery drawers that might belong to school.

On the subject of lunches, I do strongly recommend that your child tries the school lunches which are free for every child in reception, Year 1 and Year 2. I eat them at lunchtimes and the quality is now so good. All the meat is sourced from local farmers as are many of the other ingredients. The three choices each day include paninis, pasta dishes, French bread sandwiches, baked potatoes as well as the more traditional roasts. The chicken pasta dish I had on Monday was delicious and was easily of restaurant standard.

Longterm, there is a real health worry about the amount of salt, saturated fat, sugar, etc that many children are eating and the future consequences. Looking at the contents of many of the children’s lunchboxes does worry me as some contain little to sustain the child or to give good nutritional requirements. Your child can just try a couple of different meals – they don’t have to have the school meal every day. One parent remarked to me that her child now happily eats a range of food at home having tried new things at school and got into the habit of eating with their friends. (The other aspect to consider is just how much money and time you would be saving!) Do have a look at the menus on our website: http://www.curryrivelpriamry.co.uk/website/school_lunches/92240

A huge thank you to everyone who sent in items for the Children in Need bring and buy sale. We’ve had a great morning with so many great things for the children to choose from – books, cuddly toys, construction games, DVDs. The cakes went down brilliantly with some extremely delicious creations. I hope that your child enjoyed themselves. We made about £250 in total which is super. The BBC Somerset team came and interviewed some of the children so hopefully some of you may have heard us ‘live’. It all created a lot of excitement as you can imagine!

We were delighted to hear that the school received ‘Thriving’ in the RHS South West in Bloom judging. We are very lucky to have worked with Curry Rivel in Bloom who helped with a gardening group and ideas. Zac Powell received ‘Young Grower of the Year’ award which is a great accolade. We also are very grateful to Curry Rivel Combined Charities for so kindly donating £250 towards trips for our children – it has already made a big difference.

Finally, I am really sorry that there has been some confusion over the nativity play dates. The performances are on Tuesday 10th December in the afternoon and on Wednesday 11th in the evening. We will be sending you more details very soon about how to get tickets, etc.

Mrs Frances Burns

Acting Head teacher



Weekly Award winners

Pippin class: Arya Davidson for always trying her best in all that she does. Fantastic writing too!

Maigold class: Seb Smith for working really hard with his reading at school and at home.

Gala class: Harry Hamar. Wow! Harry you are trying so hard to add all your learning to your writing.

Discovery class: Katie Cherry for always working hard in maths and English and for being a general delight in the classroom.

Camelot class: Isabelle Macey for working so hard in maths independently.

Blenheim class: Brooke Enticknap for such an effective and respectful Remembrance poem.

Merit chart: Bronze award to Lilia Patten.

Lunchtime award: James Morrisroe for excellent behaviour at lunchtimes.

Forest school: Gala class for a very successful recreation of the great fire of London.



Remembrance poem by Brooke Enticknap - We will remember them.

Blood red poppies

Whisper amongst the silence

As they mourn the strong dead

Remember them.

Crimson poppies

Flutter above our thoughts

As they drift over the land

Remember them

Scarlet poppies

A song with no noise

A proud flower waving to us

We remember them.



FINAL DATE FOR ORDERING CHRISTMAS LUNCH IS MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER. PLEASE HAND CHOICES AND PAYMENT (IF APPROPRIATE) INTO THE OFFICE, THANK YOU.



Swimming dates for February 2020 - July 2020



24 February – 30 March	Gala class	Huish pool
20 April – 1 June	Maigold class	Strode pool
8 June – 13 July	Pippin class	Strode pool

Carols & Bangers & Mash

Friday 6 December from 7pm – an evening of good food, carols and other interludes in the village hall.



Ticket £7.50 includes glass of mulled cider, bangers & mash and a choice of puddings. Veggie option available. Tickets available from the school office, petrol station and post office.
Event in support of St Andrew's Church.

Curry Rivel School PTA - Tea Towels!

Don't miss your chance to own this lovely keepsake of your child's artwork!
 A great Christmas present too for family members! Limited stock available!
 Only £4.50 each Please hand your order form and payment into the school office.

Safeguarding

The safety and the happiness of each child are our school's highest priorities. We take our safeguarding duty of the children very seriously. This duty covers many aspects from neglect or physical harm to e-safety and the Prevent Duty.

If you have any concerns about a child's wellbeing or queries about what to do, please talk to Mrs Jo Ward, our designated safeguarding lead or Miss Hollie Westlake, our deputy safeguarding lead or phone for advice or to report a concern to Somerset Direct on 0300 1232224