



Weekly Diary



Monday 7 January

Inset Day

No club today – starts next week: Dance – all year groups

Tuesday 8 January

No club today – starts next week: Netball Club Yrs 4-6

Wednesday 9 January

No club today – starts next week: Fun Ball Skills Yrs 1 - 3

Thursday 10 January

Friday 11 January

No club today – starts next week: Fun Multi sports Yrs 4 - 6

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everybody from all of us!



Dates for your Diary!

14 January – 4 March

17 January

8 February

15 February

25 February

28 February

12 March

14 March

19 March

3 June to 15 July

Camelot Class swimming **each class has 7 lessons **

Cross Country 3 at Huish

PTA Disco

Inset day – no clubs

PTA Book Fair all week

Maigold Class swimming **each class has 7 lessons **

Year 5 / 6 Tag Rugby at Somerton RFC

Cross Country 5 at Curry Mallet

Year 3 / 4 Tag Rugby at Somerton RFC

Pippin Class swimming **each class has 7 lessons **



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Well we've made it to the end of a very long and exhausting Autumn Term. So much has been packed in to the past 13 weeks, with KS2 residential trips to Kilve and Bristol, numerous sporting events including Football, Tag Rugby, Netball and Cross-country as well as weekly swimming lessons at the redeveloped pool in Langport.

On behalf of the Governors, I would like to thank Mrs Burns for continuing to support us this term, and Curry Rivel Parish Council and the Twinning Association for agreeing to continue to support the school by funding the fortnightly French lessons to Blenheim Class by a local expert Modern Language Teacher – Mrs Barbara Hamlin. Having some experience of learning French before Year 7 is so important in developing a basic knowledge ahead of secondary school.

Thank you to all the teachers, support staff, volunteers and parents who have helped with organising events, coming in to listen to children read, helped with putting on the Nativity Play, attended the Carol Service, assisted in serving 160 children Christmas Lunch and generally making the school look so festive. I'm so pleased our new members of staff have settled in so well and have taken to their roles like ducks to water.

We often have to say goodbye to people at the end of the school term, and this year is no exception. As you will know Miss Campbell returned from Maternity Leave in September back to teach Maigold Class. Unfortunately for us she has decided that she is missing her little daughter so much that she wants to spend every day as a Mummy. I can't say I blame her, so it is with sadness that we will say goodbye for a second time on Friday.

All the children have been very busy having fun with various fund-raising activities for Children in Need and supporting the local Christmas Shoe Box appeal. It really is important for the children to understand the importance of giving and helping those less fortunate at this time of intense celebration. And while you are tucking in to your turkey and reaching for the next mince pie, take a moment to remember the real reason we are celebrating at this Christmas time – the birth of Baby Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Finally, on behalf of all the School Governors we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Please have fun and enjoy yourselves. Stay safe and come back refreshed in January ready to learn in the exciting Spring Term where the days start getting longer once more.

Best wishes,

Lynne Benton
Chair of Governors



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

John 10:10

Dear Parents,

What a great term it has been! There have been so many successes and all the children should feel very proud of themselves. This last week of the term has seen the Year 5 and Year 6 children present the Church Service on Thursday with real confidence and joy, as well as performing for the Forget-Me-Not Café. An extract from the thank you letter to us says, 'Our clients and carers were absolutely delighted by the children's singing. They sang so beautifully....' This is one of so many examples of the children taking 'Love your neighbour' to heart. We see it every day in so many ways eg children helping each other in the playground, caring for others who are alone and showing politeness to adults and children alike.



The Phase Two classes had a successful day on Wednesday as the culmination of all their topic work this term. It was so pleasing to all the children and the staff to have so many parents and carers come along to share the work.

I would like to say a big thank you to all the staff and volunteers who have worked so hard this term for the children's progress in learning. For example, there have been many

children who have made accelerated progress in their reading because of the focussed attention they have received. Do please try and keep up regular reading with your child over the holidays as so often their skills slip back when they don't practice.



Our Inset day on Monday 7th is a training day for all staff and we are having a focus on maths. We will be sharing more information with parents about the

expectations in each year group in the new year. We look forward to seeing all the children on Tuesday 8th January.

Have a merry and happy Christmas!

Mr^s Frances Burns
Acting Head Teacher



Class Cup winners

In **Pippin**: Bethany Hoare for challenging herself this week in money and for always being a super role model.

In **Maigold**: Pippin Herb for her positive approach to all areas of school life.

In **Gala**: Ashleigh-Marie Marshall for super ideas to her Mog story *and*

Alfie Jones for working hard to edit and improve his Mog story

In **Camelot**: Amy Patterson for consistently challenging and having high expectations of herself.

In **Blenheim**: Faith Drinkwater for such a confident solo in our carol service.

Lunchtime Award: Bethany Hoare for being kind every day.

Little Pips Stars of the week: Coco-Rose for beautiful singing at our Christmas stay and play *and* Lily H for always being kind and helpful to her friends.

LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES OVER THE FESTIVE PERIOD



Sunday	23rd	10.00	United Benefice Communion Service St. Catherine's Swell (CW)
Monday Christmas Eve	24th	4.00 pm 4.00 pm 11.15pm	Fivehead, Crib Service Curry Rivel, Crib Service Curry Rivel, 'Midnight' Communion
Tuesday Christmas Day	25th	8.30 am 10.30am	Swell, Christmas Communion BCP Fivehead, All Age Christmas Communion
Sunday	30th	10.00	United Benefice Communion Service St. Martin's, Fivehead (CW)

PTA Colouring competition – year group winners

Reception: Brooke Bailey Francis

Year 1: Tiana Tucker

Year 4: Ivy Routledge

Year 2: Xander Chamberlain

Year 5: Hollie Ainsworth

Year 3: George Pead

Year 6: Chloe Cantle