



Weekly Update: 11th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I would like to say a great big thank you for the support you are giving your children in their reading- so many more children are now reading regularly at home; this will make such a difference to their enjoyment of reading, their overall progress in their learning and will also have a positive impact on their well-being. Do you have any children's books, in good condition, which you no longer need? We would really appreciate it if you could donate them to the school. Please send them in with your children.

"The children here are so well-behaved. They also said thank you." These were the words of Cara, the Tempest photographer as she left yesterday! We will inform you when we have the class photos available to order.

PTA

£335 was raised from the 'Break the Rules' event before half term. Please see request for second hand uniform below:

SECOND HAND UNIFORM DONATIONS

Do you have any unwanted school uniform you would like to donate to the school PTA? We are collecting items to raise money for the school. Please could any items donated be washed and in a good condition.

Please send items into school w/c 5th July (donations will be accepted all week)

All items donated will be on sale at the village fete on 17th July, with prices starting at 50p!!



Parking: PCSO Visit

Our local PCSO, Kelly Frome, met with me today and took a tour of the village green and carpark so she could see the traffic challenges (and dangers) for herself. We are not sure why we have this new problem of too many cars coming to the area as this was not an issue in the past. We continue to encourage you to walk or cycle to school (Please liaise with the school office in order to reserve a cycle parking spot!) and we are using more staff parking space in our school carpark to release space in the village carpark. 'A walking bus' project is a possibility for the future and I will be surveying you to assess the feasibility of this soon. I know many of you who drive are doing so thoughtfully, so thank you.

Sun Protection Reminder

Ideally, please apply sun cream to your child before they come to school on hot days. The long lasting protection types are recommended. However, if your child is prone to burning and you feel they may need an additional application you may send in a labelled bottle of sun cream, which your child should give to their teacher. Your child will be able to apply the cream themselves when needed (usually just before lunchtime) under the supervision of a classroom staff member and younger children may require some assistance with this. It is also advisable to provide your child with a sun hat/cap and we will encourage children to drink plenty of water.

Daily Mile

This week we have launched the 'Daily Mile'. The Daily Mile is a fully-inclusive, free and simple initiative which improves the physical and mental health of children. It's a social activity where the children run or jog, at their own pace, for 10 minutes every day and it improves focus in the classroom. The aim is to develop personal targets and improvement as we recognise the range in levels of fitness. For those who find this really difficult, we encourage them to alternate between walking and jogging. Some pupils are very keen and tend to set off too quickly, so the challenge is to pace themselves. The children seem to have really enjoyed it, as have the staff! To find out more, visit: <https://thedailymile.co.uk/>

School Banner

Mrs Shirley Churchill has completed the new school banner, including at least one detail from each of the children's winning designs. As an extra reward for Sienna, Chloe, Bella and Alex, she has embroidered their christian names on the trunk of the tree. As she was stitching, she realised that she was following in her elder son, Edward's footsteps, as he designed the new Somerset flag. We very much look forward to its unveiling at the Church Fete on Saturday 17th July.

School Email Address

Please remember we are here to help but we still need to keep the flow going at drop-off/pick-up, so if you have any concerns or queries please email us (curryrivelpriamry@educ.somerset.gov.uk) and the class teacher will get back to you.



Euros

Mr Bridgeman has (excitedly) launched 'Euro 2020' today. The tournament, to be held in 11 cities in 11 UEFA countries, was originally scheduled from 12 June to 12 July 2020, but was postponed to this summer. The first match is tonight and each child (and staff member) has a team to follow. Sports captains will be updating the Euro display in the lobby and we will follow the results with interest. We appreciate that not everyone follows football, but this event seems worth celebrating this year!

Trips

Although summer outings are not happening this year, we are still planning some local 'trips' within Curry Rivel to give the children something to look forward to. You will receive further details but the overview looks like this:

Pippin: Farm scarecrow's wedding

Maigold: Local treasure hunt

Gala: Local treasure hunt

Discovery: Scavenger hunt finishing with ice-creams

Camelot: Monument walk and picnic

Blenheim: Activities week in school, including hike day

Beginning of day/End of day

It is great that so many of the older children are gaining their independence, and parents allow them to walk around to the Water Street entrance on their own. Please can they be expected to walk a little more quickly, as sometimes they are taking their time which is then making them late. On the far side of the village green, there have been reports of children climbing in the trees and running on and off the verges; to reduce risk of accidents, please may I ask that parents/carers supervise their children closely in the green area.

SEND

This week's SEND weekly newsletter is now available - please click on the link below:

<https://choices.somerset.gov.uk/025/send-news/>

Dates for your diary

w/b 28th June: Assessment week

Wednesday 7th July New classes morning

Friday 9th July: Road safety day

Tuesday 13th July: Sports day (Details to follow)

Thursday 15th July: Year 6 'production' (TBC)

Saturday 17th July: Village fete

w/b 5th July: Year 6 activities week (TBC)

w/b 19th June: Reports out to parents



Tuesday 20th July: Sports day reserve
Wednesday 21st July: Leaver's service (TBC)
Friday 23rd July: End of year assembly
Friday 23rd July: Last day of term

Award winners for this week

Class cup:

Pippin: Noah
Maigold: Hnery
Gala: Brooke
Discovery: Rupert
Camelot: Kyron
Blenheim: Matthew

Lunchtime awards:

Maigold: Seth
Gala: Paige
Discovery: Alex
Camelot: Jaylon
Blenheim: Ryley

50 Merit Certificates:

Finley and Matthew

100 Merit Certificates:

Camelot: Lexi
Blenheim: Lily, Andreea, Amy P, Ava, Sophie E, Thomas, Amy W, Miley

150 Merit Certificates:

Gala: Sienna, Bethany, Toby W, Belle, Toby H

Poetry Competition

Well done to all the children in Discovery, Camelot and Blenheim who have entered their poems into the Somerset Literacy Network competition- we will wait for the results with anticipation.

Well being tip for the week:

Help another person to shine - every day this week, and beyond, encourage others with genuine, yet unexpected praise, catch people doing something good and let them know it!

Have a restful week.

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