

Dear Parents/Carers

After a very busy day on Friday, we are enjoying a much quieter week – reflecting upon the very valuable, though demanding, experience of Ofsted. We will be able to inform you of our progress shortly, though at present the report has to go to HMI (Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education) first. We are all still smiling – and your children were a credit to us all. The newsletter will be earlier this week, because of the inset day this Friday when we will be focussing on literacy with Sarah Cook, our Literacy Advisor. Details to follow next week (don't forget our Literacy Evening on 2 October at 6.30pm, where we will be discussing the process of reading and writing).

Thank you to Yellow Class and Year 3 in particular, for leading our Harvest Service today. All the proceeds will be going to RABl (see below).

The School Council met for the first time this week and part of their initial discussions have been on the charities that we would like to support as a School. They have decided to look at Anti-bullying week and posters have also gone out to the classes about Childline. They are also hoping to take part in the SW Children's Hospice fundraising 'Wear your Wellies' day in April. Thank you to Mrs Ough for bringing this to their attention. The Ofsted team were very impressed, in conversation with the children, on their understanding of world issues such as lack of water and fair trading, both of which we have looked at in some depth when supporting charities such as Water Aid and Fairtrade.

Our Reception children, in Red Class, have been joining us for lunch this week in readiness for coming in full time on Monday. Dr Colin Lee from Ofsted was so impressed by their confidence, he felt that they had been in School much longer. We look forward to having them with us all day (every day!) beginning next week.

I wish you all a happy weekend – the forecast is for more sun like last weekend - so enjoy - and we'll see you all on Monday.

Best wishes

Amanda Tutt

P.S. Congratulations to Mark Hicks for completing the Langport Triathlon – swimming (400metres), cycling (17 miles!) and running (3 miles) - in 1 hour 40 minutes 23 seconds! Even managing the first part

is remarkable. Unbelievably he wants to do more triathlons! A wonderful example to us all!!

Harvest Service Produce will be sold after School on Thursday in the playground and funds will be used to benefit the **Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution**.

RABI was formed in 1860 as a farming charity to help those in need in the farming community. It provides welfare advice, care and financial provision for those people - retired or working - suffering need, hardship or distress. Visit www.rabi.org.uk for more information

AS WE HAVE AN INSET DAY TOMORROW, THERE WILL BE NO HELPING HANDS, CLASS CUPS OR AWARDS FOR THIS WEEK.

Macmillan Cancer Support Friday 26 September –

inset day at Curry Rivel School

Macmillan Coffee morning at Robert Sewers Hall, Curry Rivel. *Come and have a coffee and support this good cause – 10.00am to 12.00 noon.*

Street Sports

10 weeks of multi sport activities ages 6-16 £1 per session

Curry Rivel Wednesdays has started

5.00pm to 6.00pm

Flyers have already gone out – meet at Westfield

Homes for Wildlife Open Day Saturday 27 September 2008
10.00am to 4.00pm Greenshutters Nurseries, Fivehead.
Family fun activities and cream teas.

Year 6 Parents' Evenings at Huish Episcopi School are on
Thursday 9 October at 7.00pm.

ASDA Go Green for Schools 2008: Thank you for your support. We have just taken delivery of a weather station thanks to your collections. See Mr Lovesy for more information!

We are now registered with Morrisons Let's Grow and are collecting tokens!!

**David Heath MP's 2008
Christmas Card Competition**

Entries need to be returned to School by Wednesday 5 November in order to reach David Heath by the closing date of Monday 10 November.

See the Website !!

There is a new link on our website for French and Spanish activities for free :

<http://freefrench.frenchspanishonline.com>

<http://freespanish.frenchspanishonline.com>

**Kingsmill 'Best of the West'
photography challenge.**

Prizes for adults and schools. Some forms available from the School Office. All pictures must be digital on a CD. Closing date Wednesday 8 October. One entry per person.

**Curry Rivel Running and
General Fitness Club.**

Could adults interested in helping/joining in, please go to an initial introductory meeting in the King William Pub at 7.00pm tonight, 25 September. There are plans to organise two groups - multisports for 8 to 13 year olds and running activities for other ages. More information available from David German on 259688.

**Alan Simpson, PTA Chairman
Report from AGM last week:**

"Thank you all for coming along this evening and welcome to the Curry Rivel Primary School PTA Annual AGM.

This has been a busy year with lots of fund raising including new ideas such as the quiz nights that were well attended and enjoyed by all.

Our School discos have been attended by over 95% of all pupils and these continue to be very popular.

Our larger events, the Christmas Bazaar, Summer Fayre and BBQ were very well attended and supported. It has been our best year for some time for fundraising and we hope this continues so that we can support the School and its projects in the future.

This year saw the first Leavers' BBQ that was a lovely send off for the Year 6 pupils and their parents. The PTA hopes to support this every year. I would like to thank all the PTA members, School staff and parents for their hard work and support throughout the year and hope that we can count on your continued support. Thank you."

PTA Fundraising Initiatives Bulb and Chocolate Magazine: If you have any orders for bulbs, etc, please return the slips with your payment by Friday 24 October latest. Thank you!

Phoenix Cards: Catalogues are available – please ask at the office for contact number.

CLUB NEWS:

K'nex Club: No club for the next two weeks and will restart on Thursdays commencing Thursday 9 October (lunchtime and after School).

Gardening Club: Is there anyone else who could help at this very successful Club? (It doesn't have to be every week!)

Dates for your Diary

Inset Day

Reception Class in full time

Literacy Workshop

Year 6 Parents' Evenings

Half Term

Parents Evenings

Individual Pupil Photos

Friday 26 September

Monday 29 September

Thursday 2 October 6.30pm

HESSC 7.00pm

Saturday 24 October to Sunday 2 November inclusive

Monday 3 November, Tuesday 4 November,

Thursday 6 November (details to follow)

Thursday 13 November