

Dear Parents/Carers

Most weeks, in School, are memorable for one reason or another, but none more so than this week.

Tuesday began with a visit by the local magistrate to talk to the Year 6 as part of their citizenship studies and we followed this with a short, simple service of Remembrance in the Hall with a 2 minutes silence at 11.00am.

It was Tuesday afternoon that was unexpected! One or two of the villagers who had been pupils here in the late 40s, had commented to one of our grandparents, that, for a variety of reasons, they hadn't been into the School since, and how nice it would be to look around. Thank you to Diane Hartland who took up the challenge of contacting any ex-pupils who might be interested in a guided tour. An impromptu tea party was held with 20 or more ex-pupils joining us. They were given the guided tour by myself and a handful of Year 5s, followed by time spent look at the old registers and log books. It was wonderful and some, I thought, were disinclined to go home! A jolly time was had by all. We will be holding a 'proper' reunion for past pupils in the Summer term, the date to be confirmed.

From this small beginning, we are now gathering a register of ex-pupils. A group are also gathering who are willing to come and talk to Yellow Class about life for children in World War II and this village in particular. 'Community Cohesion' is now high on the agenda for Ofsted inspections and I feel very enthusiastic about these newly established links with our School's past.

All being well, Mrs Harris will be back with us next week. It is also Anti-Bullying week and the School Council and Mrs Lovesy/Mrs Davey will be leading this initiative.

On Wednesday, Green and Blue Class enjoyed their 30 minutes 'dodgeball experience' and the after School club begins next Thursday 20 November, run by Team Theme.

We have just been sent a flyer by a local 'potter' who is willing to run a 'one-off' after School club to 'Paint a Mug for Christmas' at a cost of £6. She is CRB checked and I imagine she will run the club over a number of weeks. If you think your child would be interested, could you please indicate to the School Office that they would like to go and we will arrange the dates.

Finally, yesterday morning I spent some time celebrating Divali with Red Class and Playgroup! They were eating a delicious potato curry with cucumber, tomato, pompadoms and naan bread. There were only empty bowls and plates when I left – everyone clearly enjoyed sharing the meal together, dressed in a variety of Indian costumes.

Best wishes

Amanda Tutt

ANTI BULLYING WEEK ACTIVITY: Next Friday 21 November: There will be a Blue Cake Stall – please bring in some pennies. Proceeds to School Council Charity: Barnados

Helping Hands

George S, James R, Owen P for helping to take out the recycling boxes ready for Monday's collection.

Amberley, Gabriel, Matthew, Emily and Lydia for helping host the visit from past pupils.

Class Cups

Red Class: Alice for good listening, sharing and being kind

Orange Class: Lauren for always doing her best

Yellow Class: Alice for a fantastic start in class

Green Class: Nikita for working hard on punctuation

Blue Class: Jessica for her consistent excellent approach to her work

Merit Awards: Congratulations to Amelia for completing her Orange chart.

Lunchtime Good Behaviour Awards: Congratulations to Maddy, Isabelle and Lydia from Daphne for their good behaviour at lunchtimes.

Henry Hound Award

The Henry Hound award is going this week to Red **Class**. Congratulations on receiving this week's award from Jane the Caretaker for your **tidy** classroom.

OLD SCHOOL ROOM CURRY RIVEL

Fundraising Event

Saturday 15 November (this Saturday!!)

10.00am to 1.00pm in St Andrew's Church.

Raffle, Christmas Gifts and Craft Items, Children's Lucky Dip, Refreshments, Cakes and Plants!!

See Fundraising website for more information:

<http://oldschoolroom.org>

St Martin's Fivehead Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday 15 November 2.00pm to 4.30pm – Craft Stalls, Raffle and Refreshments! (this Saturday!)

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Saturday 29th November 1:30 - 4:30pm

Robert Sewers Hall CURRY RIVEL

Stalls-refreshments-lucky dip-tombola-craft activities for all ages FREE ENTRY

Organised by Curry Rivel United Reformed Church

get fit kids: Thursday 20 November 2008 – NEXT WEEK!

KS2 classes received yellow sponsorship forms. We will be raising funds for playtime equipment. Have you completed yours yet???

Somerset Young Artists 2009

Closing date 24 January 2009

For all 18 year olds and under. Although there is no particular theme, the judges will be looking for artistic excellence in the following areas: use of materials; self-expression and originality. The prize winners will fall into three age categories: 10 and under; 11 to 15 and 16 to 18 year olds and have their work professionally framed for exhibition. see

website for details: www.thebrewhouse.net/learning/somerset-young-artists Entry form available from School Office

Sunday School

The United Reformed Church, Curry Rivel, now has a Sunday School. They meet on the second Sunday of each month, during the morning service (10.30am to 11.30am) and welcome children aged 3 upwards and their parents.

Books for School

Do you have any Roald Dahl or Dick King Smith books that you would consider donating to School? Thank you to those parents who have already been donating. More needed!!

Please bring into the School Office.

Kilve Court Enrichment Courses for Spring 2008 KS2 now available: Music is Magic - Exciting Writing - Dragons and Saints; Maths and Science Challenges etc.

CRICKET CLUB CHRISTMAS BINGO

Sunday 28 November/Sunday 14 December – School Hall

Doors open 6.00pm, Eyes down 7.00pm

SPECIAL GAME : Large cash prize each week

Give Blood! Tuesday 2 December from 1.30pm to 7.15pm

Ridgway Hall, Langport

Please make an appointment on 0845 7 711 711

GOVERNOR VACANCY

There is a vacancy for a Foundation governor who would represent the diocese on School Governors. If you are interested, please contact Rev'd Jenny Langdown on 01458 251375.

Letters sent out this week:

If you haven't received any of these, please check pupil's bookbags and classes (first!) before asking for an additional copy from the School Office:

Netball Match against Monteclefe Wed 19 Nov – team members

Football Match against Monteclefe Wed 19 Nov – team members

Walking Bus Letter – all families

Fair Processing Letter – all families

Team Theme Dodgeball Club Letter

Kingsbury Cross Country Thursday 20 November

Football After School Club Note



After School Clubs:

Football finishes after next Monday 17 November

Netball is now finished until after Christmas

PTA MESSAGE:

If you are shopping online this Christmas, please help raise funds for School by using www.buy.at/curryrivelprimary as your home page - you can access M & S, Waterstones and John Lewis to name but a few through this web address. Any access earns money for the School, but costs you nothing!

 Somerset County Services CLEANER	 SOMERSET County Council
<p>required at <u>CURRY RIVEL SCHOOL</u> <u>10 hours per week 6.00 am start</u> Monday to Friday £6.20 per hour working term time plus specified times during holiday periods</p> <p>(requires criminal background check via disclosure procedure) Telephone SCS Recruitment Line 01823 446799 (24 answerphone) for application form quoting ref SCS3682. Closing date 3 December 2008</p> <p>SCS is part of Somerset County Council, an equal opportunities employer</p>	

Dates for your Diary

Magistrates Court Visit Taunton
Kingsbury Netball/Football
Get Fit Kids
Advent Concert
Cross Country Curry Mallet
Police Dog Handler & Dog!
Book Scheme Coffee Morning
PTA Christmas Bazaar
Green/Blue Class Roman Baths
Road Safety Visit by Police
Nativity Play
Carol Service

Year 6 – Mon 17 November
Wednesday 19 November – away
Thursday 20 November – sponsorship forms needed back
Mon 1 December – Somerton – information to follow
Tuesday 2 December – 2.30pm start – letter to follow
Wednesday 3 December
Friday 5 December 9.30am
Saturday 6 December 2-4pm
Monday 8 December – details to follow
Friday 12 December
9.45am Wednesday 17 December
2.15pm Friday 19 December St Andrew's Church