

Dear Parents/Carers

This has been a very sporty week for both children and staff. I attended a meeting held by the Sporting Council on Monday. This was an opportunity for them to tell us how well Somerset are doing in meeting the Government standard required for quality PE in, and beyond, School and judging by the timetable this week, Curry Rivel are certainly doing their bit.

Many studies show that an active, co-ordinated body impacts very positively on academic achievement and this week our children have taken part in Get Fit Kids – led by a gymnast, cross country at Kingsbury Episcopi, Gymnastics at Huish, Netball and Football at Monteclefe, Youth Moves, Gymnastics at School, dodgeball as well as the quality PE on their timetable.

Speaking as someone who was very ambivalent towards PE at school, it's wonderful to see such enthusiasm and skills amongst the children.

This week is 'Anti-bullying' week which has been led in School by our School Council. They have asked the classes to write their thoughts on blue 'post-its' in order to build an anti-bullying wall. The blue cake sale today was well supported and the £44 raised by lunchtime will go towards our chosen charity this year – Barnado's. Robin Turner from Barnado's will be coming to Collective Worship in January to talk about their charity.

Daphne Moore and Margaret Davey have been asked to speak at the CLP meetings for midday supervisors on their experiences of the process of Restorative Justice. They have been leading the way for some time on this form of negotiating good behaviour. They will be attending three meetings over the next few weeks to 'spread the word'. Thank you to Daphne and Jennie Lovesy for undergoing the very intensive training programme last week. The children will benefit greatly from their growing expertise in Restorative Justice – a positive way of handling friendship and behaviour issues. This programme is not only undertaken by people in education, but the police, youth justice, social services and many more.

Finally, we welcome Arnold to our School. He has just joined Red Class. He and his family are from Romania and although he has little English at the moment, I have no doubt that he will learn very quickly – much faster than I could ever learn Romanian anyway!

Best wishes

Amanda Tutt

Helping Hands

Hannah, Skye, Jessica, and Megan for helping to pick up K'nex
Briony for offering to help sort out daps!

Mia for helping to tidy up the classroom at the end of every day

Class Cups

Red Class: Jack for listening carefully and behaving well

Orange Class: Samantha for particularly thoughtful responses in anti-bullying week

Yellow Class: Christopher for consistently working hard and particularly well

Green Class: Ben C-L for improved concentration and effort

Blue Class: Skye for her hard work on her writing and maths and her organisation of resources in class.

Merit Awards: Congratulations to Boeey-Dean for completing his Orange chart.

Lunchtime Good Behaviour Awards: Congratulations to Abby, James and Finbar from Daphne for their good behaviour at lunchtimes.

Henry Hound Award

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

OLD SCHOOL ROOM CURRY RIVEL

See Fundraising website for more information:

<http://oldschoolroom.org>

Over £300 raised at Craft Morning. Thank you for your support!

THE LITTLE RED HEN

on Saturday 1st November in Fivehead

raised £120 for Fivehead Under Fives and £120 for Fivehead Village Hall. The

event was sold out! The craft part of the afternoon was very popular with the small ones, so Fivehead Playgroup will be holding a craft morning in January or February – details to follow.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Saturday 29th November 1:30 - 4:30pm Village Hall CURRY RIVEL

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

FREE ENTRY Organised by Curry Rivel United Reformed Church

Booksigning & Launch

Tuesday 2 December, 7.00pm.

Lionel Ward, owner of Brendon Books, will be launching his own book Taunton: An A-Z, a miscellany of people, places and events in Taunton's history, at Brendon Books on Tuesday 2 December. All are welcome.

There is no charge for this event though it would be helpful for them to know in advance if you are able to attend. Drinks and nibbles will be provided.

Brendon Books Tel 01823 337742 Fax 01823 324529

www.brendonbooks.co.uk

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.

CRICKET CLUB CHRISTMAS BINGO

Sunday 30 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

Poppy Appeal for Royal British Legion

THANK YOU!: £46.91 raised from collections in School.

GOVERNOR VACANCY

There is a vacancy for a Foundation governor to represent the Diocese on the School Governing body. If you are interested, please contact Rev'd Jenny Langdown on 01458 251375 for more information.

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:

Music for Schools Letter

Aller Park Juniors Girls Team Note

Alice Club Letter – Years 4 to 6

Blue Day Friday 21 November – Anti-Bullying Week. Collection for Barnado's note

PTA Family Disco Note

Cross Country Curry Mallet 2.12.08

Roman Baths visit Green and Blue Classes 8.12.08

SCS Christmas meal 16.12.08

Music for Schools Foundation: Tuition Service

Mr Rider will be demonstrating instruments to pupils in School on Wednesday 26 November 2008 and this will be followed by an **evening for parents with pupils on Tuesday 2 December between 7.00 and 9.00pm.**

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!

SCS CLEANER required at CURRY RIVEL SCHOOL

10 hours per week 6.00 am start

**Monday to Friday £6.20 per hour working term time
plus specified times during holiday periods**

(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

SCS is part of Somerset County Council

Aller Park Juniors F.C.

New Girls team starting on 4th January at

Aller Park Juniors F.C.!!!

For all Girls in School Year 5 & 6 who would like to join a football team away from the boys!! Training starts at Somerton Playing Field on 4th January 2009 at the Aller Park Soccer School 10.00 – 12.00

Please contact Steve Morrison (Tel: 01458 251388 or email: stevemorrison4@msn.com)

Please visit the clubs website: www.allerparkjuniors.org for more information

Alice Club

at Curry Rivel School starting Monday 24 November after School until

4.15pm For Years 4 to 6

Mini performance in late January or early February.

Thank you to Steve Beney for offering to run this Club!

SCS Christmas Lunch will be on Tuesday 16 December: Roast Turkey and all the trimmings!! Letter sent out yesterday. Open to all pupils.

After School Clubs:

There is no Youth Moves next week, 24 November.

SPORTS RESULTS

Netball won 9-1 against Monteclefe – Brilliant!!

Football unfortunately lost 3-1 against Monteclefe

Kingsbury Cross Country: Year 3&4 Boys 2nd Place, Years 5&6 Girls 1st!!! Well done!

YEAR 6 KILVE COURT MAY 2009: Next payments are due!!!!

Dates for your Diary

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

Mon 1 December – Somerton – information to follow

Tuesday 2 December – 2.30pm start

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