

Dear Parents/Carers

A quiet week this week as we have all set about our business in a very focussed way. That is certainly how it seemed as I walked Philip Bowditch around the School on Tuesday. He is our allotted School Improvement Advisor/Partner (SIP and SIA!) who works alongside us wearing a number of 'hats' – critical friend, support, surrogate Ofsted and many more. Every School is allocated such a person with a brief to look at us more objectively than I and the Senior Leadership Team are able to do. He spent time with each class and each teacher and was very pleased at the high levels of good behaviour, engagement, enthusiasm and ability to work independently. We spent the afternoon looking at our 'figures' – the levels of progress made by each child – and discussing with the Senior Leadership Team about how we use these figures more effectively to push the learning forward still further. It was quite a tiring day, but a perfect opportunity to reflect on how far we have come as a School and where we move to next!

Thank you to those who have replied to the letters about after School clubs. I don't have many at the moment, so if you are able to indicate one way or another what you think, I'd be most grateful. A short reminder slip for parents is coming home today.

We have, however, had a very sporty week. Lots of congratulations to the Cross Country team – Skye, Hannah, Emily, Emma, Luke, Samuel, Daniel, Owen, Toby, Tom, Ben L and Ben CL – who did so well at Curry Mallet. The Year 5/6 Girls team coming 1st and the Year 3/4 Boys Team coming 2nd. Six children are now through to the Area team having been selected from this event: Hannah, Skye, Emily, Luke, Samuel and Daniel. Well done as well to our football team (Tom, Levi, George, Finlay, James, Ben, Ethan, Ben L and Hannah) who despite losing narrowly to Curry Mallet showed excellent team spirit and fair play. Thank you also to the Netball team (Lucy, Megan, Owen, Skye, Emma and Callum) who won decisively 11-2! To all the children who represent Curry Rivel School, we say a big thank you for being such good ambassadors. Within School, the Dodgeball Tournament went really well yesterday with Quantock and Polden coming joint first (play-offs this afternoon for the final!).

Finally, good luck to the children taking part in the CLP Talent Show on Monday night. I think it will be most entertaining.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Amanda Russell

School Meal orders for the following week with payment to Curry Rivel School must be in the School Office by Wednesday am.

School Class Photo Orders to be returned by next Friday 19 March – cheques payable to Tempest Photography. Originals can be viewed by the new School entrance – they are really good!

Helping Hands

Jack from Red Class for helping to pick up coats

Ethan B for stopping all Year 6 pupils to let Miss Jones through a door

Daniel and Richard from Green Class for helping in PE

Charlotte F for being kind to a child in Red Class

Lucy KB for holding the door open for Mrs Loosemore

CLASS CUPS

Red Class: Daisy for her enthusiastic approach to jungle work!

Orange Class: Archie for a lovely effort with his writing

Yellow: Tommy for playing really well as part of a team during the dodgeball tournament

Green: Georgia for some superb work on area

Blue: Finley for his impressive Taiko drumming

Indigo: Jodie for working well at ICT

Merit Awards

Congratulations to Levi for completing his silver chart and Abbie for completing her blue chart

Lunchtime Good Behaviour Awards: Congratulations to Luke, Poppy, Rubin, Sam and Eoin from Mrs Moore for their good behaviour.

Letters etc sent out this week:

Netball and Football tournament letters 16.3.2010

Admission and Medical Forms for Year 6 from Huish Episcopi Secondary

CLP Talent Show note and letter

Swimming Lessons Green Class 20 April to 25 May

Indigo Class Science Enrichment 18.3.2010

Bristol Zoo trip 24.3.2010 letter – Red, Orange and Yellow Classes

Carymoor Visit letter – Blue Class – 31.3.2010

SPORTS RESULTS:

Cross Country Results:

10 March 2010: Skye (8th), Hannah (3rd), Emily (4th), Emma (21st), Luke (3rd), Samuel (5th), Daniel (9th), Owen (24th), Toby (26th), Tom (16th), Ben L (23rd), Ben CL (22nd).

Congratulations to Skye, Hannah, Emily, Luke, Samuel and Daniel who have been chosen to join the Area Team at Montecute later in the month.

Dodgeball: House Champions:

Netball and Football against Curry Mallet 11.3.2010:

Netball won 11-2 Football lost 1-2 Well done to all the enthusiastic players.

No Netball Club next Thursday 18 March,
but there will be a normal practice on Thursday 25 March!

Next Monday!! Messy Church

Monday 15th March 2010

in Curry Rivel Primary School Hall

3.30-5.30 pm

Come and join in

a once a month time of creativity, worship and eating together.

All ages are welcome, but no children unaccompanied by an adult and no adults unaccompanied by a child! **No charge but donations welcomed**

The Langport District Guiding Group needs your help!

Are there any enthusiastic adults willing to give up a small amount of time every week to help

- open a new Brownie troop in Curry Rivel - evening to suit (We have enough girls on the waiting list for a full new troop)
- to take over running a successful Brownie troop in Othery
- to take over a Guiding troop in Langport/High Ham where the Leader is about to retire, but could stay on as a helper initially

If you would like to know any further details, please telephone Nicky on 01458 252429. Positions are subject to CRB clearance. Training available and full support given. This voluntary work is ideal for someone interested in helping youngsters realise their full potential. You will be joining a highly motivated guiding district team. (Voluntary work is a plus point for those applying for any employment!).

URC Noticeboard:

Sunday School for the over 3s this Sunday 14 March –
10:30am at the URC.

Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Saturday (April 3rd) at Orchard View, Townsend. Drop in between 10-12 noon to hunt for eggs and make Easter decorations.

Please ring Alison Richards on 252799 with name and age of children wishing to come along to ensure we order enough eggs from the Easter Bunny. (Children need an accompanying adult).

Swimming Blue Class continues on Tuesdays
Don't forget your swimming kit!

Home Access

Home Access is a government drive that helps low-income families who currently lack access to a computer and/or internet to get online at home.

The programme is aimed at those that need it most. If you are a low-income family in receipt of certain benefits you could qualify for a grant to buy a computer and/or a minimum of one years' internet access. There is a website to find out if you are eligible www.homeaccess.org.uk and you are welcome to use a computer in the IT Suite any morning between 8.30 and 9.00 to find out more.

Music Workshop

sponsored by the Curry Rivel Music Club

During the afternoon of Thursday 18 March

Jemma Bausor, Oboe

Jessica Tipton, Clarinet

Alexandra Davidson, Bassoon

Pupils are asked to bring their own instruments to this workshop.

The Marylebone Trio will follow the School workshop by playing in St Andrew's Church at 7.30m on the same evening. Children and Students are admitted free, Adult ticket price £10.00 available from the Post Office or at the door.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 15 March	CLP Talent Show
Monday 15 March	Messy Church 3.30pm to 5.30pm
Tuesday 16 March	Netball and Football Large School Tournament 2.15pm start
Thursday 18 March	Music Workshop – Curry Rivel Music Club pm – whole School
Monday 22 March	Film Club – Ratatouille – finishing 5.10pm (111 mins!)
Wednesday 24 March	Bristol Zoo Visit – Red, Orange and Yellow Classes
Wednesday 31 March	Carymoor Environmental Centre visit – Blue Class
Friday 26 March	Visit from County Attendance Officer
Tuesday 30 March	Key Steps Gymnastics Competition 3.00pm to 5.00pm
Thursday 1 April	Dance Show
Friday 2 – Sunday 18 April inclusive	Easter Holidays