

Dear Parents/Carers

A slighter shorter newsletter for a slightly shorter week, the highlight of which was the demonstration by jb's music tuition on Thursday morning. The Huish CLP (Community Learning Partnership) has been thinking about widening musical opportunities for some time. Iain Crabtree (Hambridge School) was chatting to one of his peripatetic music teachers and thus jb's music was created! They comprise of a group of talented young teachers who will offer music services to students in a range of instruments. They played a lively mixture of music yesterday, but are equally able to take students through music exams if they so wish. Well done also to the staff who were coerced into playing, but demonstrated hidden talents – Miss Wilkins and Miss Mullins on drums, Mrs Conway and Miss Jones on lead guitar and a feeble effort from myself on saxophone – a gorgeous instrument that I seem unable to get a note from! Of course, lots of pupils were able to 'show up' the adult standard by demonstrating their abilities, particularly on drums and guitar!

Letters went home yesterday – if anyone is interested, registration forms are available in the office (again – Free School Meal pupils can use their £300 entitlement towards the cost of the lessons).

You may notice, as you enter the library area, an impressive piece of equipment that looks vaguely like something you'd find in Dr Who. It is in fact, our new photocopier! The old one has, sadly, bitten the dust, but this new one promises much – we just need to learn what all those buttons are for. Hopefully – if this letter goes out on time today, we've mastered it!

The statutory KS2 SATs begin next week. I am really impressed with the effort and concentration that the Year 6 have brought to their work this year. Mr Staddon has encouraged them to set their goals and go out there and achieve them and they deserve to do well. I suggest a quiet weekend with a couple of early nights then, come Monday, enjoy and use the opportunity to show 'them' just what you can do!

For the rest, as I explained last week, we shall carry out end of year assessments towards the end of June and children in Year 2 will be 'having a go' at reading comprehension, writing task and a maths paper, but these will only be a part of the ongoing teacher assessment upon which their measured progress is based.

I wish you all a restful weekend.

Best wishes,

Amanda Russell

CLASS CUPS

Red Class: Megan for being able to use a ruler independently to measure different snakes and record the answers correctly and for a wonderful sunflower painting

Orange Class: Jessica for working so hard with Mrs Shurley and for trying so hard with her writing – reading it through carefully

Yellow: Marcus for fantastic effort in PE and really improving his bowling skills in rounders

Green: Toby for effort and improvement in spelling and handling data

Blue: Joe for his accurate analysis of his writing and being able to identify for himself what he needed to do next

Indigo: Megan for consistent excellent writing and for being a great help at Athletics Club

Lunchtime Good Behaviour Awards: Congratulations to Emma and Finbar from Mrs Moore for their good behaviour.

Letters etc sent out this week:

jb's music tuition letter
Cricket Club note
Year 6 Walk to Burton Pynsent Friday 14 May

FILM CLUB:

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs

Monday 10 May

KS2 – in Indigo Class

finishes 5.00pm

Uniform for the new School year. Last date for orders 11 June

REMINDER:

STUD EARRINGS ONLY – NO HOOPS FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS!

New Brownie troop in Curry Rivel

Wednesdays 4.30pm to 6.00pm

Spaces available for 7-10 year old girls

Telephone 01458 252429 for more details

Art and Craft and Street Dance will start next Thursday 13 May

Dates for your Diary

Monday 10 May to Friday 14 May
Friday 14 May
Saturday 15 May
Friday 21 May
Thursday 27 May
Saturday 29 May to Sunday 6 June inc
Monday 7 June

KS2 SATs week
End of SATs School Disco KS1 & KS2
PTA May Fayre – 1.00pm to 4.0pm
County Attendance Officer visit
Stoke St Gregory Football and Netball Tournaments
Half term
Pupils return to School