

Dear Parents/Carers

This seems to have been quite a long week with parents' evenings, a 'safeguarding' audit, a smattering of meetings and showing prospective candidates around School (it probably doesn't help that I was out for two days last week at the CLP Headteacher's Conference, so I shouldn't complain!).

I know the staff appreciated that so many of you were able to attend Parents' Evenings. Despite the dank, dark evenings many of you came to discuss your child's progress. Thank you for your patience if you had a wait. I know from years of experience, how difficult it is to keep to the allotted times, so we appreciate your forbearance in this matter.

It always seems strange at this stage in November, to be practicing carols and Christmas plays, but practice we must, for the CLP Advent Concert taking place on Monday 28 November and the Nativity Play on Tuesday 13 December pm and Wednesday 14 December in the evening. Fortunately, we have a little more time for the latter, so I know that Mrs Kent intends to start 'dipping toes' into the songs next week, but nothing too strenuous yet!

On Thursday, a representative of the NSPCC came to talk to the children as requested by the School Council. This is the charity that we have chosen to support this year and Mrs Dawe-Lane came to speak to the children about the important work that the charity does, how it started and how our donations help to support it.

Later in the year, we propose to tie a NSPCC sponsored sports event into our Olympic theme and will be letting everyone know about that nearer the time. In the meantime, the contributions that we collect over the Christmas period will be sent their way.

We held a short Act of Remembrance at 10.50am today. Thank you to all those who have contributed to the Poppy Appeal. The Royal British Legion will be letting us know how much we've raised in the near future.

Next week begins with wearing blue for Anti-bullying week on Monday (Stop and Think, Words can Hurt), organised by the School Council and ends with Children in Need on Friday. Because of our Charity Support elsewhere, we will not be making a big 'thing' of this, but I know that individual children are keen to 'busk' or make small things to sell. Other than that it is business as usual!

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes

Amanda Russell

Class Cups

Pippin: James for knowing his number bonds to 10 and super effort in writing

Maigold: Dougal for finding lots of 2D shapes in our environment, including the octagonal bench in the playground.

Discovery: Tyler for setting a good example by always being ready to start a session – Keep up the good listening!

Camelot: Vicky for a positive attitude in all areas of School life and for always being ready to help

Blenheim: Jess for a confident term's work so far - an excellent factual report in particular.

Lunchtime Awards

Mrs Moore says thank you to Jasmine, Ben and Marcus for their good behaviour at lunchtimes this week

Letters etc sent out this week

Advent Concert

Sports Hall Athletics Tuesday 15 November

School Photos – orders to be returned by 18 November latest

Netball Tournament 17.11.2011 Huish Academy

EFSA Football Tournament 24.11.2011 Yeovil Rec

PTA 'Friends of Curry Rivel Primary' Events

Christmas Decoration Competition 2011 – see Poster – prizes for KS1 and KS2
ALL ENTRIES to be returned by 24 November 2011

Friday 25 November: After School Winter Craft Fayre 3.00pm to 5.30pm

If you would like to have a Stall the cost is £10.

Christingles for the service at St Andrew's Church on Sunday 27 November will be made during the Fayre with Tina Geary

Spend&Raise eStore (formerly buy@): Click through from the School Website and use to access different suppliers. This costs you nothing, but gives the School a small commission. **STOP PRESS: Amazon now back with Spend and Raise!**

CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Thursday 8 December £1 per head – letters shortly!

**IF YOU HAVE ANY TOY AND BOOK DONATIONS FOR THE WINTER FAYRE,
PLEASE BRING INTO SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

St Andrew's Church Services: Please check as some services and times have been changed in light of the Rector's current illness.

Christingle Service Sunday 27 November 2011

4.00pm St Andrew's Church

All Welcome. Christingles will be made at the PTA Christmas Fayre on Friday 26 November. Collection candles have been distributed. Please return when you go to the Service or if you are unable to attend, please return to the School Office before 27 November.

RSPB Events

Sunday 20 November and Sunday 12 February Birdwatching for Beginners 10.00 to 11.30am

And Sunday 4 December through various dates until Sunday 26 February 10.00am to 12.00 noon guided walks on West Sedgemoor to see the Ducks! (see poster)

Saturday 28 January Big Wetland Duck Watch! 10.00am to 1.30pm. Return to the Farm to make birdfeeders

BOOKING ESSENTIAL on 07774 620879 or email west.sedgemoor@rspb.org.uk

RSPB Members £1.50, non members £4, U18 free

ALL EVENTS LISTED ON www.rspb.org.uk/reserves

Anti Bullying Week 14 – 18 November 2011

Wear Blue on **Monday 14 November**

NEXT MONDAY!!!

Theme: Stop and Think - words can hurt

KIDZ ZONE through the Website: See Class Pages with Homework Letters, Games and Activities for each Class linked to their current topics.

CROSS COUNTRY OPPORTUNITY:

Langport Runners are keen to encourage cross country running. They have a growing Junior Section and arrange their training to suit the ages of those attending and their ability.

They meet each week in Langport at 6.30pm to 7.30pm on a Monday with a charge of £1 per sessions. There is also a new Junior session on a Wednesday from 7.00pm to 8.00pm which is the normal club night. This is only available to more able runners (those pupils who are comfortable with the School cross country events). Some pupils are already members of the Club.

Please contact David German on 259688 or Peter Jones on 251486 if you are interested.

Messy Church School Hall 3.30pm to 5.30pm

Monday 21 November

games, creativity, praise & worship and enjoying a meal together.

All ages are welcome, but no children without an adult

No charge but contributions welcome!

PLAY FOR POUNDS

October Winners: Mrs Hasnip (£11); Mr Chorley (£7), Alan Norton (£4)

Dates for your Diary

Tuesdays from half term to Christmas
Saturday 12 November
Sunday 13 November
Monday 14 November
Monday 21 November
Friday 25 November
Sunday 27 November
Thursday 8 December
Monday 12 December
Tuesday 13 December
Wednesday 14 December
Friday 16 December
Wednesday 4 January
Thursday 5 January

Swimming Camelot Class – **don't forget costumes!**
URC Christmas Fair Village Hall 11.00am to 3.00pm
St Andrew's Remembrance Service 10.55am
Blue Monday – to support Anti-Bullying Week
Messy Church 3.30pm to 5.30pm
PTA Winter Craft Fayre 3.00pm to 5.30pm
4.00pm Christingle Service St Andrew's Church
Christmas Lunch in School
Messy Church 3.30pm to 5.30pm
KS1 Performance 2.00pm
KS1 Performance 6.00pm
Last day before Christmas Holidays
Inset Day
Pupils return to School

BEAM HOUSE PRESENTATION EVENING
WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER AT 6.00PM SCHOOL HALL