

Weekly Update: 21st January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 8th February: Safer Internet day Friday 11th February: PTA Fundraiser: 'Wear what you love' day (Day of friendship) Wednesday 16th February: PTA Fundraiser launch: Half term challenge **21st-25th February: Half term** Wednesday 2nd March: Ash Wednesday Service Thursday 3nd March: World Book Day (Including book swap) Friday 18th March: Comic Relief Non-Uniform Day Friday 1st April: Red Card to Racism Day (Wear Red Day) W/B 28th March: Assessment Week Friday 8th April: Easter Service 4th/7th April: Parents' Evenings Friday 8th April: Last day of Spring Term Monday 6th June: Additional Day for the Queen's Jubilee Monday 25th July: INSET Day Tuesday 26th July: INSET Day

Reports

Our aim is to keep you well informed about your child's performance throughout the year. The report below shows your child's Autumn Term assessment outcomes in the core subjects of Reading, Writing and Maths (Reports for Reception pupils are slightly different and are in line with the EYFS curriculum). Assessments are completed across all curriculum areas, and a full report for all subjects will be shared with you in July. We are all aware that the children have had their education disrupted, and therefore attainment may not be at the levels we hope. Never-the-less, these assessments help inform the teachers of the next steps for their teaching. Our next parents' evening will be 4/7 April. In the meantime, if you have any questions or queries about your child's report (or indeed anything else), please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to help.

ΡΤΑ

Thank you to the PTA for making everyone feel so welcome last night at the Firehouse. There are many exciting plans for the terms ahead, and of course monies raised make such a difference to our children. PTA fundraising has funded the new playground markings on the front and back playgrounds- they include hopscotch, wall and ground targets, 'Mimic-Me', netball court lines, mini-hockey courts and a trim trail. We await the second part of this project, a new set of monkey bars which should be installed in March. Further fundraising will be supporting an Art enrichment programme including visits to all classes from theatrical/drama/music groups. Details to follow.



Colouring competition

Tesco in Langport phoned this morning to see if our pupils would like to take part in a colouring competition. The picture can be of anything at all on A4 paper with their name, age and School name on the back and handed in to the service desk in Tesco, Langport before 7th February.

Parent Governor News

I am very pleased to inform you that Simon Gambrill has been elected unopposed as our new parent governor.

Apple Trees

Apple Trees has been proud to provide high quality, independent 'wrap-around care' in Curry Rivel since 2015. Apple Trees and Curry Rivel Church of England Primary School have always worked in partnership to offer parents an essential extended schools service. Due to factors related to the COVID pandemic, Debs Powell has taken the difficult decision to cease providing the current Apple Trees service from 28th February 2022. The school Board of Governors would like to continue the good work of Apple Trees, and so the school will offer the 'Apple Trees' wraparound service from <u>Tuesday 1st March.</u>

We are working together to ensure continuation of staffing, so that parents/carers can continue to benefit from this essential service for working families. School Apple Trees will:

- Offer a Breakfast and After School Club to provide high quality care for our pupils with existing Apple Trees staff.
- Run a morning breakfast club which is an informal session running from 7.45am to 8.45am in the school hall where the children will enjoy a healthy breakfast.
- Run an after school club running from 3.15pm 4.30pm and 4.30pm 5.30pm. During the session children will receive a light snack and drink that will include toast, cereals, fruit and a cold drink. Children will be engaged in a range of activities and games.

Families who are currently registered will have priority for bookings for 1st March onwards. New registrations will be taken for the summer term onwards. Please contact the school office if you would like to find out more.

Celebration

Although we were unable to welcome parents/carers to our celebration assembly today, we are all so proud of the following pupils:

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Henry

Maigold: Oscar



Gala: Toby

Discovery: Clemmie

Camelot: Katie

Blenheim: Alfie

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Jason

Maigold: Oscar

Gala: Ross

Discovery: Tommy

Camelot: Alex

Blenheim: Sam

Running Rockstars

Gala: Arya

Blenheim: Chloe

50 Merit Awards

Pippin: Emily F, Finlo, Frazer

Maigold: Rosie

Gala: Paige, Mia-Rose, Brooke-Bailey

Discovery: Katie,

Blenheim: Natasza, Jaylon,

Well-being tip of the week

Go outside! Make time to be outside, ideally in the daylight, to breathe fresh air, to feel the weather, to see the beauty of new shoots, a sunset, the night sky, the clouds. Take just a few minutes each day to be 'in the moment' with the world around you, exercising or just still, breathing deeply, noticing something different each time and really taking it in.



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