



Weekly Update: 8th July 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 12th July: Sports Day

Friday 15th July: Reserve Sports Day

w/b 18th July: Reports out to parents

Monday 18th July 7pm: Year 6 Showcase

Wednesday 20th July 9.15am: Leavers' service (For Year 6 pupils and families only). Afternoon tea party.

Friday 22nd July: End of year assembly

Friday 22nd July: Last day of term

Monday 25th July: INSET Day

Tuesday 26th July: INSET Day

Monday 5th September: Start of Autumn Term

INSET Dates for Academic Year 2022/23:

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

Friday 21st October 2022

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Monday 17th April 2023

It was wonderful to see all the children in their new classes yesterday- there was a real buzz across the school. Our Year 6 children report on a great transition day and we are delighted that they feel ready for the next step of their education- it shows that we have done our job! Our Year 6 leavers have a lot to look forward to over the last two weeks- leavers' hoodies (although hoodies do not match the weather), leavers' service at St Andrew's, a 'Showcase' performance and tea party. They have so much to celebrate, include their SATs achievements (See item below).

Staffing Update

We are delighted to have appointed a new teacher to Maigold class for September: Miss Ashleigh Carnie will be joining our team and we plan for her to meet her new class on Tuesday 19th July.

Mrs Nic van Cole, one of our SENDCos, will sadly be leaving us at the end of term. She has added huge strength to our SEND provision this year. I am pleased that Mrs Waller, also our SENDCo, will continue her work into the autumn term.

SPORTS DAY Tuesday 12th July

We are excited about welcoming you all to our Sports Day.

9.00am-11.00am (Approx finish time): Reception, Year 1 and 2

12.45pm-3.15pm: Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

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The weather forecast is good. Please ensure that your child/ren come to school with water bottles, with sun cream applied and hats. Gazebos will be in place to provide shade for the children.

R/KS1 Sports day will start at 9.00 am and parents/carers can come to the field through the front gate once we have all the children in school (I will re-open the front gates at 8.50/8.55am to allow you in).

Parents/carers are asked to leave the school site between the two events.

KS2 Sports day will start at 12.45pm and parents/carers can come through the Water Street (rear) entrance from 12.35pm.

Other information

- Parents/carers are kindly asked stay in the parents' area, which will be clearly defined.
- You are welcome to bring camp chairs- we will have seating available but extra capacity is useful. Again, please stay in designated areas.
- Parents/carers are politely asked not go to start/finishing line or cross over to children in house pens. This is for safeguarding purposes.
- The school PTA will be providing refreshments for parents (not children).
- Photos- we are taking photos which will be shared on our Facebook page (With the correct permissions). Parents/carers are asked to refrain from taking photos/film in order to support Safeguarding and Data Protection policies. We appreciate your support with this.
- House colour T-shirts encouraged but not essential (Purple school PE t-shirts can be worn):

Blackdown: Red

Polden: Blue

Mendip: Green

Quantock: White

Summer Fair - Big Thank You from the PTA!

What an amazing, fun filled day we had at the summer fair. So many of you attended (even in the rain), and it was such a great community event too. Thank you to the school staff, PTA, parents and kids who helped plan, organise and run this event, plus our lovely cake makers! A big thank you to everyone who came along and supported us, we hope you had a fabulous day.

Lunches

We have been notified by our school meal supplier, Figs, that there will be an increase in pricing to take effect from September. Figs has seen ever-increasing costs from their suppliers that has affected the cost of production, whilst still ensuring they provide us with the best quality food.

The price of your child's school meal will be £2.80 for the new academic year. This will not affect UIFSM and FSM children. We are proud to have been able to maintain the same pricing for parents since lunchtime hot meals were introduced in 2014 and please be assured that we have made every effort to keep this increase to a minimum.



Special Achievements

Mr Bridgeman took two maths teams to Huish Episcopi Academy for the STOMP challenge. STOMP is an annual maths competition for all the primary schools in the catchment area. The following children took part:

George P Y6, Noah B Y6, Rylee Y6, Sophia E Y5, Harry J Y5, Chloe D Y6, Sam T Y6 and Oscar R Y6

All the pupils were great ambassadors for our school, and one of the teams came second (out of 12 teams!). Well done to Harry J, Noah, Sam & Chloe!

Also, there has been a recent Year 6 book review competition across all Huish feeder schools. The overall winner was a pupil from Curry Rivel Primary School- congratulations to Emily Chetnik.

YEAR 6 SATs Assessment Outcomes

Year Group & Subjects	Curry Rivel School 2018	Curry Rivel School 2019	Curry Rivel School 2022	National Average 2022
Reading % reaching national expectations	71%	78%	80%	74%
Reading % reaching greater depth	29%	28%	40%	
Writing % reaching national expectations	79%	83%	60%	69%
Writing GD % reaching greater depth	14%	22%	8%	
Maths % reaching national expectations	64%	90%	76%	71%
Maths GD % reaching greater depth	7%	33%	36%	
SPAG* % reaching national expectations	50%	83%	80%	72%
SPAG* % reaching greater depth	14%	33%	28%	
Reading, writing and maths % reaching national expectations	64%	72%	60%	59%

*Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

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Across the country, this year's results also show a drop in the overall proportion of pupils meeting the expected standard in Maths, Writing, SPAG and in all three subjects combined (English reading, English writing and maths) at the end of key stage 2. Given the disruption pupils experienced during the pandemic, this overall drop is something we expected to see.

However, here at Curry Rivel you will know that we have focussed our school improvement on Reading, SPAG and Maths- in all of these areas we have bucked the national trend. In the next academic year, we will be focussing our efforts to improve writing outcomes across the school.

All of our Year 6 pupils have worked very hard and they all have achievements to be proud of.

Message from the Local Authority regarding SEND

The IP1 group from the WSOA (Written Statement of Action) SEND work are encouraging people to get involved in the SEND annual survey which closes 19th September. Different surveys exist for professionals including volunteers, parents/carers, children and young people. So far take up has been low and we would like to see more schools, including primaries helping pupils, families and staff to engage. These results are considered and shared across all the agencies involved and this year the focus is on how information is gained about lived experience and also offers a chance to share good practice.

The link for all the surveys is here.

<https://choices.somerset.gov.uk/025/discussing-things/annual-send-survey/>

NEW TODDLER GROUP!

Sparklers - Starting Wednesday 14th September

DONATIONS NEEDED PLEASE

We are looking for donations of good quality toys for Curry Rivel's new toddler group! If you are able to donate any toys or equipment, please contact Debs on 07799423884 - THANK YOU!

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A group for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers
with parents/carers. Messy play, singing,
bubbles, instruments, story time, refreshments
£3.00 per family - no booking needed, just turn up!

NEW IN
CURRY
RIVEL

Every Wednesday
(in term time)
10.30am-12.00

SPARKLERS

STARTS WEDNESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2022

@ The Old School Room,
Curry Rivel
(behind St Andrew's Church)

For more information, please contact Debs on
07799 423 884 or debs@curryrivel-childminder.co.uk

MESSY CHURCH



Saturday July 16th, 3.30-5.30pm at The Old School Room, Curry Rivel.

This month we have a picture treasure hunt, story and food!

All welcome on the day but if you can let us know that you intend coming beforehand it really helps with catering and resourcing of activities.

Contact Helen on 07880706517 helen@saich.co.uk with numbers or for more information.



Messy Church Curry Rivel

All ages, children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

No charge, donations appreciated.

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Celebration

We were able to welcome parents/carers to our celebration assembly today. Well done to the following pupils:

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Arthur

Maigold: Bobbie

Gala: Daisy

Discovery: Alfie

Camelot: Tyler

Blenheim: Veronika

Lunchtime star

Maigold: Henry

100 Merits: Megan, Paige, Elly, Isabelle-Faith, Liam, Sonny, Henry, Emily F.

150 merits: Mia, Lottie

Have a restful weekend.

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