

Weekly Update: 5th March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are all looking forward to seeing the children and families on Monday. I gave parents and carers the opportunity to share concerns and worries through a Google Form, but none have been raised. I know there have been conversations with teachers and teaching assistants which you have found supportive. The children have shared how they feel through a survey and I will be addressing any concerns in assembly today. Some questions you may need answers to:

What does my child need to bring?

A school coat, school bag, packed lunch in a plastic box (if required), healthy snack, water bottle and remote learning exercise books. Please, no toys or pencil cases.

What about uniform?

The high expectations of the school uniform policy still applies. Please inform the school if you have any problems or your child needs to wear alternative footwear for the time being. Please note that 'hoodies' are not appropriate as a school coat.

What day is PE for my child's class?

Pippin: Thursday Maigold: Monday Gala: Wednesday Discovery: Tuesday Camelot: Friday Blenheim: Wednesday

Is my child's class doing outdoor learning?

Monday: Discovery (Outdoors) Tuesday: Maigold (Outdoors) Thursday: Camelot (Outdoors)

Please send in wellies (we do have spares) and a waterproof coat. Can children wear school trousers you don't mind getting dirty.



Are things going back to normal?

Safer working practices will continue as in the autumn term: Regular handwashing, good respiratory hygiene, class bubbles, additional ventilation and extra cleaning. Please can parents/carers continue to wear face coverings at the beginning/end of the day. Don't forget to keep the flow going on drop-off/pick-up, and please avoid loitering on the school site and beyond. Please avoid the school office by using the drop boxes; do phone or email the office as the office staff will be happy to help.

What do I do if I need to speak to the teacher?

We are trying to keep the flow going, and as much as we would love to speak to you face-to-face, this will be difficult. Please email the school office (<u>curryrivelprimary@educ.somerset.gov.uk</u>), or phone us, and the class teacher will get back to you. We pride ourselves on our family feel, and being accessible to you, so if you have any concerns, do not hesitate to get in touch.

School Reading Books

Please can school reading books be returned- thank you.

Film

A film you may find helpful regarding schools returning. This was made with Clinton Rogers:

https://youtu.be/_dfLPphYr2o

Science week

British Science Week: 'Innovating for the Future' British. Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths that will take place 5-14th March 2021. "Innovation is the creation, development and implementation of a new product, process or service, with the aim of improving efficiency, effectiveness or competitive advantage." Mrs Batchelor, our science leader, has organised learning around this special week and children will be doing extra sessions next week- a great way to hook our children back into learning.

Ofsted Monitoring Visit

We welcomed 'virtually' Ofsted inspectors to the school yesterday. This was a monitoring visit designed to review our remote learning and also to support school improvement. Although I am unable to share the outcomes of the visit with you yet, I can say that we are pleased with the conclusions and that we have a clear focus on the areas we need to develop before our next inspection. Our next full inspection could be from the summer term. A big thank you to you for completing the Parentview questionnaire-79 responses, which is a record. The results are very positive and can be found here:



Award winners for this week

Class cup:

Pippin: Rosie Maigold: Millie Gala: Stanley Discovery: Grace Camelot: Harry Blenheim: Amy W

Lunchtime awards:

Maisy (Pippin)

Headteacher awards:

Bobbie, Summer, Miila, Sophie H, Andreaa, Luke, Maisie S, Isabelle M and Hollie

50 Merit Certificates: Coehn, Bobbie, Seth and Rebecca

100 Merit Certificates: Brooke

Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Ali Pook Head Teacher