

Weekly Diary

<u>Monday 9 March</u>

During school: SwimmingGala classAfter school:Dance clubYears 1 to 4After school:Messy Church in the school hall

Tuesday 10 March

During school: Recorder club Years 3 to 6After school: Netball clubYears 4 to 6After school: GymnasticsReception to Year 6After school: Tag Rugby at Somerton Recreation ground Years 5 and 6

<u>Wednesday 11 March</u>

After school: Dodgeball club Years 3 and 4

Thursday 12 March

Parenting your anxious child workshop

An information session to understand anxiety in children and guidance on how to support your child through these feelings.

Date: Thursday, 12th March 2020 Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm Venue: Huish Episcopi Academy, Wincanton Road, Langport, Somerset, TA10 95S

To book a place for this session please visit: https://forms.gle/BMRxSBqT8sC4iXMWA

Friday 13 March

During school: Celebration Assembly led by Blenheim class After school: Multi sports club Years 3 to 6

Dates for your Diary!

16 March	Dance Show for KS1
20 March	Gala sharing in Celebration Assembly
25 March	CLP meeting for parents on Growth Mindset
27 March	Sponsored walk for 'School in a bag' charity
	Pippin sharing in Celebration Assembly
30 March	Poetry and art focus week
2 April	Easter Service



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, a big thank you to all of you for your generous donations for the PTA Bingo and to all the PTA for all the preparations. I am really sorry that I had to miss the evening due to a long-arranged family celebration. I hope that everyone has a great evening of fun!

Thank you to all of you for the efforts that went in to creating a great outfit for World Book Day. It was lovely to see the excitement about the different characters and highlights the fun the children get from reading. We are delighted that we are going to be able to buy more books from the commission that the PTA received from the Book Sale. Look out for them coming soon!

As you will be aware, there are daily updates around everyone keeping well and strategies to prevent the spread of the Coronovirus. I have spoken to all the children about keeping their hands clean and we all acted out washing our hands for 20 seconds as well as talking about keeping healthy through the food we eat, etc. We will do our utmost to keep the school as clean as possible and ensure that children are reminded about washing hands, using tissues, etc. If I receive any information that will impact on the school, we will circulate it via email and Facebook.

Talking with the children about keeping healthy also meant that we reminded the children about morning break snacks. Please can children only be given fruit/vegetables or a savoury sandwich to give them some energy to get to lunchtime. We are keen for all children to have a healthy lunch and I am delighted that some children who prefer sandwiches are now enjoying the paninis or rolls that are on offer from Figs. Remember that these are completely free as one of the choices (along with the delicious puddings) for any child in Pippin, Maigold or Gala. The meals are really delicious and I buy myself a lunch everyday as they are such good value.

The motivation and confidence that so many children are showing to their learning are really impressive. Many of the KS2 children are doing extra learning at home and it is having a great impact on their progress. I've had many children bring me their work to show me how they have extended and challenged themselves. It is so rewarding to hear their excitement and pride.

Safeguarding reminder:

A child watching a film or playing a computer game with an age 18+ certification is a safeguarding matter. Our job is to protect children from absorbing the images or messages within 18+ games/films. We will talk to parents or carers if we become aware of this happening and we may also report it to Somerset Direct as a matter of concern. We have also heard that some children might be sending or receiving unpleasant messages on their phones. I personally would urge every parent or carer to check their child's phone history which will hopefully deter the child from making a bad choice.

Mrs Frances Burns Acting Head teacher



Weekly Award winners

Pippin class: Lily Hamar for a great attitude to all learning, especially phonics and independent writing.

Maigold class: Belle Routledge for her fantastic maths work learning about tens and making numbers up to 50.

Gala class: Tyler Gage for using great imagination drawing a 'supertato'.

Discovery class: Kahleesi Evans for working with increasing confidence in maths and having a hard working attitude in all subjects.

Camelot class: Ava Hope for a really grown up attitude towards her learning.

Blenheim class: George Limm for such an exemplary attitude to learning.

Lunchtime award: Mylie Pusar for being so kind to her friend.

Merit chart awards:

Bronze awards to Summer Manning, Andreea Marincovici, Lily-ann Richards, Ross Martin, Kaitlyn Tucker, Connie Jackson.

Silver award to Bea Stringer-Swadling.

Sports Awards: Cross Country certificates to Sienna Evans, Kahleesi Evans, Alfie Jones, Lexi Limm, George Limm, George Pead, Thomas Cox, Noah Butera, Esther Cooper, Nyassa Rickards-Tilley, Hollie Ainsworth and Cayden Raybould.

Protecting your children against Child Exploitation (County Lines) Information about Child exploitation, signs to look out for, ways to keep your children safe. Date: Thursday, 19th March 2020 Time: 6.00pm – 7.30pm Venue: Huish Episcopi Academy, Wincanton Road, Langport, Somerset, TA10 9SS To book a place for this session please visit: <u>https://forms.gle/62AG6bWXNrxt8Nks9</u>



Curry Rivel Cricket Club Update from James Benton

Hi all, we are holding 2 registration evenings on Wednesday 25th March and Wednesday 1st April both from 5pm to 6pm at the club. We will be playing U11s hard ball cricket and are always looking for new players, both boys and girls in years 4, 5 and 6 to join us.

These events will be to complete the registration forms, pay the subs of £25 per player and talk about the season. We are looking for parents to help with Umpiring and Scoring in the season and we will be proving training in April for these 2 areas.

So please spread the word and I look forward to seeing you all soon. Thanks James.



Safeguarding

The safety and the happiness of each child are our school's highest priorities. We take our safeguarding duty of the children very seriously. This duty covers many aspects from neglect or physical harm to e-safety and the Prevent Duty. If you have any concerns about a child's wellbeing or queries about what to do, please talk to Mrs Jo Ward, our designated safeguarding lead or Miss Hollie Westlake, our deputy safeguarding lead or phone for advice or to report a concern to Somerset Direct on 0300 1232224.