



## **Weekly Diary**

### **Friday 15 February**

INSET day

### **Sunday 17 February**

10am All Age Family Service and refreshments at St Andrew's Church, Curry Rivel

### **Monday 18 February – Friday 22 February**

Half Term

### **Sunday 24 February**

9.15am Holy Communion and Sunday Club at St Andrew's Church, Curry Rivel

### **Monday 25 February**

During school: Camelot Class swimming (2 sessions left)

After School Club: Creative and Street Dance – all year groups

After School: Messy Church in the School Hall

After School: Fun Football Yrs 1-3

### **Tuesday 26 February**

After School Club: Netball Club Yrs 4-6

### **Wednesday 27 February**

After School Club: Fun Ball Skills Yrs 1 - 3

### **Thursday 28 February**

After School Club: Tag Rugby Yrs 3 – 6

After school: Cross Country at Somerton Recreation Ground

### **Friday 1 March**

After School Club: Hockey Yrs 4-6

### **Sunday 3 March**

10am All Age Family Service at St Martin's Church, Fivehead



He came so that we may have life and have it to the full

John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy half term it has been! It has been very exciting to share the children's interest in the two topics being covered and to see their pride in their work. This week's theme on 'Keeping Safe' has also been informative and important. The NSPCC talks to the children helped the children to remember to share any worries with a 'trusted adult' and that sharing anxieties helps reduce the worries. The PCSO information about road safety and 'stranger danger' also encouraged the children to think about their own actions and how to remember safety.

Thank you to all those that have come in to the Parents' Meetings. If you missed your slot for any reason, do please get in touch with the Office to arrange another time for after half term. The greatest motivator in a child's learning is you, the parent or carer. The research about parental involvement is fascinating. For example, even if a parent cannot speak English or read themselves, just sharing a book with a child is shown to help the child improve; going out and about and looking at the science that surrounds us encourages a child to be curious which in turn motivates them to learn.

After half term, we will be focussing very much on reading. Miss Kilner, Mrs Slade, Mr Nicholson and Mrs Taylor have done a wonderful job reorganising the library. It should help children to find books more easily and the different genres are now organised into clear areas and interests. More is still to be done but it's going to be a fantastic attractive area for the school. Each week, we teach reading in a variety of ways – group reading, individual reading, focus on phonics and vocabulary, shared story time. We also check the reading records to see whether each child is reading at home. If you're not noting this down currently, please can you help us by doing this. I am determined that every child is given the best chance in their learning and reading fluency is key to this.

A big thank you to everyone who has already completed and returned the questionnaire. If you've lost it or want a copy, do ask in the Office. We have also done a questionnaire with every pupil and will collate this info over the next couple of weeks and let you know the children's viewpoints.

Finally, I hope everyone has an enjoyable half term and we look forward to seeing everyone back, refreshed and ready for the next half term.

**Mr; Frances; Burns**  
Acting Head Teacher



### **Dates for your Diary!**

11 March – 20 May	Maigold Class swimming **each class has 7 lessons **
11 March-	Messy Church
19 March-	CLP Football and Netball Tournaments at Huish
(morning)	
19 March	SAS Netball finals at Westfield Academy, Yeovil
(afternoon)	
21 March	Cross Country at Curry Mallet
26 March	Year 3 / 4 Tag Rugby at Somerton RFC
2 April	Year 5 / 6 Tag Rugby at Somerton RFC
8 – 19 April	Easter Holidays
22 April	Easter Monday Bank Holiday
13 May	Messy Church
27 – 31 May	Half Term
3 June to 15 July	Pippin Class swimming **each class has 7 lessons **
10 June	Messy Church

### **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



## After School Club Play Workers

Based in Curry Rivel After School Club (3.00pm – 6.15pm)

Wednesday, Thursday & Bank Work.

**Term Time Only**



Apple Trees Club, our Out of School Care in Curry Rivel, requires a flexible, enthusiastic, organised and hardworking individual who is looking for an inspiring and challenging new role. If you are interested in working with primary aged children, we'd love to hear from you!

Please email: [debs@appletreesclub.co.uk](mailto:debs@appletreesclub.co.uk) or text /

call Debs on: 07799 423 884

[www.appletreesclub.co.uk](http://www.appletreesclub.co.uk)

**Little Pips** are looking for bank staff to support the  
Nursery over busy periods

Flexible days and hours available between both  
our Main **Nursery and Nest**

Please email Hollie ([hwestlake@educ.somerset.gov.uk](mailto:hwestlake@educ.somerset.gov.uk))  
for further information.