



## Weekly Update: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Dates for your diary

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April: 3.15- 4.00: PTA Book Fair in Lobby- mop-up for those who could not visit last week

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Parent/Carer Volunteers day working on school grounds (Tea and cake included)

4<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> April: Parents' Evenings

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Service

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April: Last day of Spring Term

### **EASTER HOLIDAY (11<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> April)**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April: First day of Summer Term

w/b 9<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 SATS tests

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May: PTA disco & Pjamarama

### **HALF TERM (30<sup>th</sup> May-3<sup>rd</sup> June)**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June: Additional Day for the Queen's Jubilee (School Closed)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June: Class photos

w/b 27<sup>th</sup> June: Assessment week

28<sup>th</sup> June- 1<sup>st</sup> July: Year 6 Residential to Huish Woods

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July: Year 7 Transition Day & New classes morning

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July: Sports Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Reserve Sports Day

w/b 18<sup>th</sup> July: Reports out to parents

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July: Leavers' service (TBC)

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July: End of year assembly

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July: Last day of term

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July: INSET Day

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July: INSET Day

### **INSET Dates for Academic Year 2022/23:**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Two years have passed since the very first lockdown and yet we are still facing the very real implications of Covid. At Curry Rivel Church of England Primary School, staff are doing incredible things to cover unprecedented absences, care for the children and one another, and still find time for selfless extras. Despite the disruption, the children have had many positive experiences this week: Pippin class visiting the Parfitt family farm to see 'the lambing season'; Blenheim pupils enjoying the musical 'Oliver' at Huish Academy; the Year 5/6 netball team taking part in a large tournament in Yeovil. Rev Scott led

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'live' worship this week (for the first time in a long time), and the children enjoyed a re-enactment of the 'Last Supper'. Today, we wear red, to stand up to racism- we have been inspired by the life of Dr Martin Luther King, who gave one of the most famous speeches of all time, in which he outlined his vision for a fairer, more just society for everyone- something which seems more poignant than ever.

## COVID

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the next steps for living with COVID-19 in England from Friday 1 April. I am currently digesting the new guidance for schools. The key messages are:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days

## Sickness

A reminder that if your child has sickness and diarrhoea, it is important that there is a 48 hour period before your child returns to school.

## Parish Council

We welcomed the Parish Council on Thursday, who came to talk to the school about what the Parish Council is and what it does. They also shared their concerns about litter in the area. The School Council presented their findings regarding their recent litter survey and both councils will be working on the following actions:

1. School council will prepare an article for the Parish Council website about litter.
2. Poster campaign ideas to come from children regarding litter- Easter holiday project.
3. School to be involved in village litter picking.

This is an exciting new partnership, where the children have a voice on the Parish Council- democracy in action!

## Parents' Evenings

We look forward to welcoming you to your child's parents evening next week (4<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> April). Some key information:

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- Please enter via the main front gates, where you will need to ring the bell so that you can be buzzed in, and signed in.
- Year 6 leaders will welcome you and direct you to the school hall where you can have a (free) cup of tea/coffee served by the PTA. Doughnuts will also be on sale, as well as second hand uniform.
- Your child's books will be in the hall (clearly labelled), so you can browse through their books before your appointment.
- Year 6 pupils will then take you to your appointment in your child's classroom. (It would be beneficial if you take your child's books with you to the appointment).
- We would appreciate it if you wear a mask whilst in the school building.
- Please exit via the school office so we can sign you out.
- Please note that appointments are 10 minutes in length, and this will be strictly adhered to.
- If you are unable to attend your appointment (E.g. Due to COVID), please phone the school office. The class teacher will make alternative arrangements with you, either to meet via 'Teams' before the end of the week, or face-to-face after Easter.
- We welcome your child/ren attending parents' evening with you.

### **Messy Church**

Sunday 10th April, 3.30-5.30pm at The Old School Room, Curry Rivel.

Informal, includes activities, a Christian message, and food!

Please let us know if you intend to come so we can resource activities and cater accordingly.

Call/text email Helen on 07880706517/ [helen@saich.co.uk](mailto:helen@saich.co.uk) with numbers or for more information.

Everyone is welcome, children need to be accompanied by an adult.

### **Celebration**

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

### **Class Cup Awards**

Pippin: Jason

Maigold: Elliot

Gala: Billy

Discovery: Connie

Camelot: Yusef

Blenheim: Meg

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**Running Rockstars:** Brooke (Gala); Casper (Camelot)

**Lunchtime stars**

Maigold: Henry

Gala: Seb

Camelot: Harry

Blenheim: Ashleigh-Marie

**50 Merits**

Gala: Elcie

Discovery: Harry

**100 Merits**

**Maigold:** Darcey

**Gala:**

**Discovery:** Summer, Connie, Ethan, Belle Jack

**Camelot:** Harry, Jack, Harriet

**Transum Maths 100 trophies:** Natasza (Blenheim)

**Well-being tip of the week**

Stop, notice amazing things that others are doing and let them know they are seen. Notice too, the amazing things that you do and allow yourself a moment of self-recognition, take time to notice the positive impact of your work on others.

Have a restful weekend.

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