

Weekly Diary

Sunday 1 December

10.00 Family and Friends Service at Fivehead Church

4.00 Christingle Service at St Andrew's Church, Curry Rivel



Monday 2 December

After school: Fun football club Years 1 -3

Tuesday 3 December

**** After school: **NO Netball club this week** ****

After school: Gymnastics club Years 1 – 6

Wednesday 4 December

After school: Dodgeball club Years 1- 6

Thursday 5 December

After school: Art club

Friday 6 December

After school: Football club Years 4-6



Curry Rivel CofE VC Primary School
PTA Fundraising



"Elfridges" Shopping Mall

Christmas shopping for all pupils during lunchtime

Buy a lovely little gift for your friends and family!

Wednesday December 11th
(Discovery, Camelot, Blenheim)

Thursday December 12th
(Pippin, Maigold, Gala)

NATIVITY TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE!





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

John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

December is now with us and so we have lots of Christmassy activities planned for later this month. We generally keep our normal timetable of learning for the mornings with any nativity or carol service practices in the afternoons. Do look at the PTA Christmas Shopping Mall – a great way of you getting a surprise present! Please can all Christmas cards be posted into our Christmas post box (in the library). The Year 6 children will then deliver them on the last day of term. In this way, no child feels obliged to give cards and, equally, no child is made to feel left out if they don't get a card from a specific individual.

At this time of year, you may be thinking about holidays for 2020. The governors are particularly concerned about children who are missing out on time in school due to holidays being taken. Time out of class does impact negatively on a child's learning. They might miss out on a specific concept and will miss the sequence of learning that helps their understanding and consolidation. This then effects their progress and confidence. Governors will be considering penalty notices for any child missing school for no specific allowable reason. For example, if a child is poorly or has a medical appointment, that is obviously allowed. If a child is taken out of school for a holiday or a birthday treat, that is not allowed.

On Friday, we had a 'lock down' practice. This meant that we asked all children to get themselves out of sight under their tables and to be completely silent. The children did a wonderful job, and Mr Silver and I found it hard to find anyone in what was a giant 'hide and seek' game. Hopefully your child won't have been worried by it and I was impressed that we could get everyone out of sight and silent in under a minute in a really calm quiet atmosphere. It is unfortunate that we need to be prepared for dangerous incidents but it is wise to have something in place just in case.

We are delighted to be showcasing our musical talent in Celebration Assemblies. If your child learns a musical instrument and would like to perform to the school, do please let me know. Good luck to all those who are taking their Grade exams at the moment!

Mrs Frances Burns

Acting Head teacher

Dates for your Diary!

9 December	Y5 & 6 to CLP Carol Concert at 1.30 in Somerton
10 December	Nativity (afternoon)
11 December	Nativity (evening)
13 December	Wear a Christmas jumper (in aid of Save the Children)
19 December	Christmas service at St Andrew's at 2pm
23 December – 6 January	School Holidays
7 January	Return to school
14 February	Inset day
17 February – 21 February	Half term
6 April – 17 April	Easter holidays
25 May – 29 May	Half term
17 July	Break up for summer holidays



Weekly Award winners

Pippin class: Ruth Hunsperger for doing fantastic addition and trying her very best.

Maigold class: Miila Stratford for being super determined in all her learning.

Gala class: Sophie Peters using her 'tool kit' to help her improve her writing.

Discovery class: Jack Garner for always trying his very best, being responsible and working independently showing good self motivation.

Camelot class: Maisie Silver for showing true perseverance in maths.

Blenheim class: Lilia Patten for being such an outstanding mentor to others.

Merit chart: Bronze awards to Jaylon Barrett, Arthur Banks, Summer Limm, Clemmie Pember, Blake Champion, Seb Smith, Poppy Shotton-Brooks, William Rycroft, Arya Davidson, Belle Routledge, Olivia Hunt, Mia Youe, Jack Manser, Bethany Hoare.

Lunchtime award: Sienna Feierabend for her honesty at lunchtime.

Forest school: Daisy Geary for independently making stick man and recounting the story.

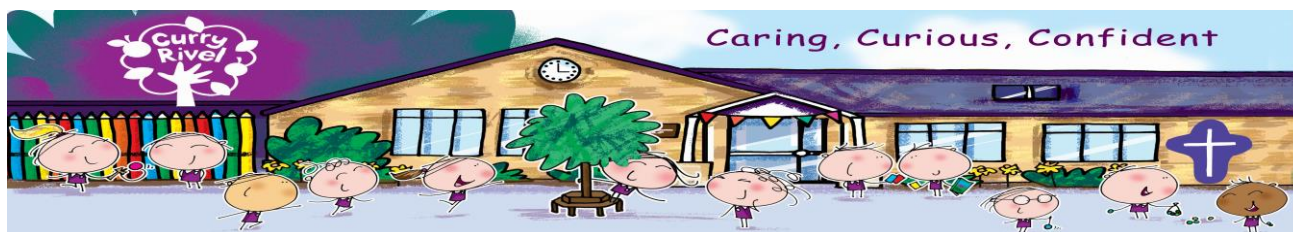
Apple Trees Club – Updated Registrations



Apple Trees Club, the Curry Rivel breakfast and after school club, are updating their records and are asking for everyone who is currently registered with them to complete and return an updated registration form. This is so they can make sure that all your contact details are up-to-date. Forms are available at Apple Trees Club or on the Apple Trees website.

If your child is not currently registered with Apple Trees, then please consider completing and returning a form so that if you get stuck in traffic, need to work late on the odd occasion or just need a bit of a longer day to go Christmas shopping, then your child can go to breakfast or after school club and be cared for in a relaxed and fun environment from 7.45am up to 6.00pm. Bookings can be made regularly or as a one-off. For more details, please see

www.appletreesclub.co.uk.



Swimming dates for February 2020 - July 2020



13 January – 10 February

Discovery class

Huish pool

24 February – 30 March

Gala class

Huish pool

20 April – 1 June

Maigold class

Strode pool

8 June – 13 July

Pippin class

Strode pool



Curry River CofE VC Primary School
PTA Fundraising

PTA Christmas Events!

Raffle tickets have been sent out in book bags this week, please do buy some as we have lots of lovely prizes! Don't miss out!

We will be selling raffle tickets in the playground during the first week of December and on the evening of the nativity (along with yummy mince pies).

School Tea Towels will be here the first week of December, all sent out in book bags, and any remaining tea towels will be on sale in the playground in the first week of December.

Don't Forget £1.50 for the Christmas Shopping Mall

The shop will be open to all pupils on Pupils will have the chance to buy a lovely gift for family and friends! 11th and 12th December. **Get yours before we sell out!** (Gifts £1.50 each)

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



Christmas Services for the United Benefice of Curry Rivel, Fivehead and Swell



Monday 2 December	Carols at new Maple Estate, Curry Rivel 7pm
Friday 6 December	Carols, Bangers & Mash, Village Hall 7pm
Saturday 7 December	Christmas fair St Martins Church, Fivehead 2-4pm
Sunday 8 December	Carol service at St Martins, Fivehead 6pm
Sunday 15 December	Traditional Carol service St Andrew's, Curry Rivel 7pm
Tuesday 17 December	Candlelit Carol service at St Catherine's, Swell 7pm
Wednesday 18 December	Carols in the Crown at the Crown Inn, Fivehead 7pm
Thursday 19 December	School Carol service at St Andrew's, Curry Rivel 2pm
Tuesday 24 December	Fivehead Crib Service 4pm
Tuesday 24 December	Curry Rivel Crib Service 4pm
Tuesday 24 December	Curry Rivel Midnight communion Service 11.15pm
Wednesday 25 December	Swell Christmas day communion service 8.30pm
Wednesday 25 December	Fivehead All Age Family Christmas service 10.30am

The Friends of Langport Library (FOLL) are running a Christmas Card Competition and the closing date is Saturday 14th December.



There are two age groups, 3-7 years and 8-12 years, prizes in each group. The winning entries will be printed as 2020 Christmas cards sold in aid of FOLL. Please do not hesitate to contact the library with any queries.

We have sent home the school lunch details for January this week in book bags.
Please order your meal choices for the new term as soon as possible.

Thank you from Mrs Horsey

