



Weekly Diary

Sunday 15 September

10.00 All Age family service at St Andrew's Church, Curry River

Monday 16 September

During school: Blenheim Class swimming

After school: Fun football club Years 1 -3

Tuesday 17 September

After school: Netball club Years 4 - 6

After school: Gymnastics club Years 1 – 6

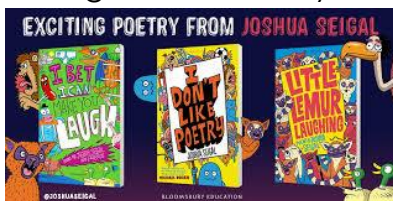
After School: Fizz Pop Science club

Wednesday 18 September

After school: Tag Rugby club Years 3- 6

Thursday 19 September

During school: Poetry workshops



Friday 20 September

2.40pm Celebration Assembly

After school: Football club Years 4 – 6

After school: 3.30pm Kilve Residential trip parents meeting

Come and find out more about our forthcoming trip for Years 4 and 5!



Sunday 22 September

Celebrate **Harvest Festival** at **Curry River United Reformed Church** 10.30am service followed by lunch at midday. Donations welcomed towards our replacement play equipment.





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

John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, the children have settled into their new classes and routines. New friendships have been made and the atmosphere at breaktimes and lunchtimes has been so happy and positive.

We are having a particular focus on reading over the next term. Our results have gone up in all year groups but interestingly, the reading attainment is lower than writing and maths overall. As being a fluent reader with good comprehension is so important, we want to help all children to increase their skills and confidence. The classes are starting buddy reading (when the older children read to the younger) as a motivator and the KS2 children also are trialling the raffle rewards (see below.) One of the best boosts for a child's confidence is reading with an adult. If you were able to volunteer for an hour or two one afternoon a week, we would really appreciate this. We would give you ideas and support and you would find it really rewarding too. Please let the office know if this is something that you could consider.



Many children have commented on the new school dinners and we've had very little waste - they are really delicious. I've particularly enjoyed the roasts – good quality meat, great roast potatoes and a range of veg. The puddings also have gone down well! Do have a look at the menu and see if your child would like to give it a go!

All our classes took part in a democratic process to elect the new class representatives. I particularly congratulate those that had prepared a speech and delivered them with aplomb. We look forward to hearing their ideas and views on how we can support everyone in school and the wider world.

The sports dates are now on the calendar and we are looking forward to continuing to support them successfully. There are a couple of changes to the end of term activities as the Y6 have been invited to take part in the Huish Episcopi Christmas Concert.

Next Friday, we will be having a meeting about the Kilve visit for Year 4 and Year 5s. If your child is coming on the trip, do try and stay if you can. Children are very welcome to be with us but the meeting will be aimed at adults. I will go over practical aspects such as kit and timetables as well as advice on preparations, medical or personal needs, etc. If you have anything that you would like to ask in private, please do get in contact with me.

A final plea! Please can you label your child's clothes and especially the sweatshirt or cardi. We already have quite a number of unclaimed tops that we cannot rehome due to them not being named.

Mrs Frances Burns

Acting Head teacher



READING RAFFLE!

This year, as part of promoting reading across the school, we have introduced a reading raffle to our Key Stage 2 classes. To motivate the children to read as often as possible and to recognise those who love to read, we will award the children a ticket for each time they read with an adult at home or in school. Please sign in your child's reading record so that we can efficiently give tickets they have earned at the end of each week. Children can also earn a ticket for reading more than the expected four times a week. At the end of each month, we will draw two tickets from each class and those children will be awarded a prize. Please continue to support your child with their reading at home to develop this vital skill - and earn raffle tickets!



Congratulations to our new school representatives!

Classes	School Councillors	Digital Leaders	Eco Champions
Pippin	Ruth H & Emily R	Freddie S & Bobby G	Millie C & Lily H
Maigold	Mia-Rose T & Paige W	Sienna F & Stanley	Belle & James M
Gala	Cohen C & Mia G	Clemmie & Taylor S	Blake C & Dulcie
Discovery	Sophia & Oliver T	Mia & Jaylon	Grace & Amy
Camelot	Chloe & Ava	Chelsey & Karl	Ivy & George
Blenheim	Rosie C & Tom D	Jamie S & Milo	Georgia E & Esther



Weekly Award winners

Pippin class: Millie Cornelius for settling into Pippin class, being a good role model and always trying.

Maigold class: Toby Hammond for fantastic listening and focus in activities.

Gala class: Mia Geary for writing an amazing 'My House' poem with super handwriting.

Discovery class: Oliver Hall for making great observations of rocks and being a fantastic scientist.

Camelot class: Sophie Hall for her excellent contribution in all subjects.

Blenheim class: McKenzie Simpson for such curious and enthusiastic reading.

Lunchtime award: James Ponting for being helpful and tidying up.

Little Pips stars of the week: Teagan-Jean Arscott for fantastic writing and Freddie Fleet for such a positive week at Nursery.

Dates for your Diary!

20 September	Kilve residential trip parents meeting ** new **
23 September	Year 5/6 football & netball tournament Huish*new*
26 September	Bristol residential trip parents meeting **new**
30 September	Tempest individual photographs
1 October	KS1 Fun Run**new**
2 – 4 October	Years 4 and 5 residential trip to Kilve
3 October	Cross Country 1 Hambridge **new**
10 October	Cross Country 2 Long Sutton **new**
11 October	MacMillan coffee morning
15 October	Harvest festival service
16 – 18 October	Year 6 residential trip to Bristol
22 and 24 October	Parents evening meetings
25 October	Inset day
28 October - 1 November	Half term
5 November	Sports Hall Athletics Years 5 and 6 **new**
11 November	Messy Church
11 December	Nativity (afternoon)
12 December	Nativity (evening)
19 December	Christmas service at St Andrew's
23 December – 3 January	School Holidays
6 January	Inset day
7 January	Return to school
14 February	Inset day
17 February – 21 February	Half term
6 April – 17 April	Easter holidays
8 May	Bank holiday
25 May – 29 May	Half term
17 July	Break up for summer holidays
20 July	Inset day



Champion Music Group are thrilled to offer private instrumental tuition in the following instruments:-

Drums, Piano, Violin, Guitar, Flute and Clarinet.

Lessons take place weekly in school time and cost £9.50 for 20 minutes and £13.50 for 30 minutes, or £6.75 for shared lessons in certain instruments. For more information and to apply online go to www.championmusicgroup.co.uk/registration

Clerk to the Board of Governors vacancy

Grade 13 (£19,554 full time equivalent) 2 hours per week.

Term time only, permanent contract from October 2019

Curry Rivel Primary School is seeking a Clerk to the Board of Governors. The board, through its appointed and elected governors, plays a distinctive and essential role in the continuing success and development of the school.

The clerk's job is to work with the chair, other governors and headteacher, in dealing with administrative matters for the board and advising on procedural issues of governance and the board's statutory duties. Central to the role is preparing for, taking notes at and producing minutes for meetings. The post involves some evening work and the successful candidate should be available at times during the day. Good keyboard skills and the ability to write agendas and produce accurate concise minutes are essential. Integrity and the ability to maintain confidentiality are essential. New clerks receive advice, support and training from the SSE-Somerset Governance Services Team and all clerks are encouraged to attend termly briefings in their locality to update themselves on the latest developments in governance.

The post will initially involve setting and sending the agenda (1 hour); the evening meeting (4 hours with preparation for photocopying, setting up the room, clearing afterwards); typing up the minutes and getting them agreed by HT and chair (2 hours). Typically, there will be 1 meeting each term. The clerk will be asked to take on additional work according to need (eg. preparation and monitoring School policies schedule, ad hoc committee meetings). This is advertised at 2 hours per week term time only.

The post of Clerk to the Governing Body has been evaluated using Somerset's Job Evaluation Scheme at Grade 13: £10.14 per hour (£19,554 full time equivalent salary). Curry Rivel Primary School is fully committed to rigorous safeguarding procedures as well as equal opportunities. Further information and an application form can be obtained by contacting Mrs Helen Davies, School Business Manager and Clerk to the Governors at hdavies3@educ.somerset.gov.uk or telephone 01458 251404.

YEAR 5 AND 6 PARENTS - OPEN EVENING – WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

HUISH EPISCOPI ACADEMY'S ANNUAL OPEN EVENING IS ON WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER STARTING FROM 5.00PM UNTIL 7.30PM. MEET THE STAFF AND TOUR THE SCHOOL.



Wells Cathedral's annual **Be a Chorister for a Day** event takes place this year on Saturday 12 October (11.00am-5.00pm), and includes singing games, learning about the Cathedral, and finding out what a Chorister really does.



Lunch is provided, and at the end of the day the children take part in Evensong with the Cathedral Choir. Parents can take a tour of Wells Cathedral School, and have afternoon tea in Vicars' Hall before Evensong.

If you know a child who will be aged between 7 and 9 on this date and would like to take part, please send your contact details to Melanie Lawlor in the Music Office via telephone 01749 674483. Places are limited, so please register early.

Swimming dates for September 2019 - July 2020

9 September – 14 October	Blenheim class	Huish pool
21 October – 2 December	Camelot class	Huish pool
9 December – 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

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