

Weekly Update: 4th February 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 8th February: Safer Internet day Friday 11th February: PTA Fundraiser: 'Wear what you love' day (Day of friendship) Wednesday 16th February: PTA Fundraiser launch: Half term challenge 21st-25th February: Half term Wednesday 2nd March: Ash Wednesday Service Thursday 3rd March: World Book Day (Details to follow) Friday 4th March: World Thinking Day for Guide and Scout Movement (Moved to avoid clash with World Book Day) Thursday 10th March: PTA meeting at Firehouse (All welcome) 14th/15th March: Clive Pig Master Storyteller to visit our school Friday 18th March: Comic Relief Non-Uniform Day Friday 25th March: PTA Mother's Day Shop 25th March- 1st April: Book Fair Friday 1st April: Red Card to Racism Day (Wear Red Day) W/B 28th March: Assessment Week Friday 8th April: Easter Service 4th/7th April: Parents' Evenings Friday 8th April: Last day of Spring Term Monday 6th June: Additional Day for the Queen's Jubilee Monday 25th July: INSET Day Tuesday 26th July: INSET Day

Children's Mental Health Week

To reflect Children's Mental Health Week, which is taking place on 7-13 February, The School Council have recently sought feedback from their classes about their wellbeing and mental health.

1. What is mental health and well-being?

Happiness Your feelings inside you You can't see mental health How you feel inside Not sure Being kind to yourself



- 2. How does Curry Rivel Church of England Primary School support your well-being?
- Staff look after us
- Worry box
- PSHE lessons
- Teachers keep us safe and are kind
- You can talk privately to adults
- Daily Mile
- Good equipment to play with
- Adults help you when you are hurt
- Staff look out for us

3. What do you do if you are worried?

- Tell a teacher
- Talk to friends
- Talk to ELSA
- Think of good things
- Tell a trusted adult in school or family member
- Use worry box

The School Council shared their classes' ideas for improving wellbeing: some of the ideas which are being considered include: More trips and walks in local area; increased use of worry boxes; Lego and science clubs. We are working on making these things happen.

PTA Fundraiser

'Wear what you love day' is a non-uniform day to not only fundraise, but also to mark Valentine's Day. It is no coincidence that this is also Children's Mental Health Week- so this is a chance to celebrate who we are and our unique styles, interests and personalities!



Coming Soon

Thanks to your continued support of the PTA, who aims to enrich all the pupils' school lives. The PTA has a vision to fund enrichment activities across the Arts and this programme will start with 'Clive PiG' - aka 'Mister Storyfella' who will be visiting on 14/15 March to lead shows and workshops with all classes. He is a globetrotting storyteller, poet and potato juggler. His dynamic delivery of traditional and original tales appeals to young and old, making him a popular performer in the UK and beyond. This travelling talesman has sung songs on TV in New York City, shared stories in Zaatari refugee camp in Jordan, and spouted poetry at Number 10 Downing Street. Clive is equally at home sharing stories by the fireside with you and your friends, or performing on stage for hundreds of eager ears. HE DOESN'T JUST TELL THE STORY, HE LIVES THE STORY.

Stoke St Gregory Tennis

Thank you to all who turned out on a cold morning last Sunday for Dan's Junior Tennis Coaching sessions. This will be continued every Sunday during term time for the following age groups:

9am under 10s 10am 10+ years In partnership with Somerset Community Foundation, Stoke St Gregory Tennis Club is currently able to subsidise these coaching sessions for children from Stoke St Gregory & surrounding parishes by 50%. This makes the block of lessons for the remainder of this term just £25! There are still places available! To book, please contact: Luke Andrews - <u>Latennis@hotmail.com</u> 07437 404242 SSG Tennis Club - ssgtennis@gmail.com 07956 981679



Safeguarding

If you have any concerns, no matter how small they seem, about the safety or welfare of any child, please contact the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Pook, or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Miss Westlake.

Other places to get help

Somerset Direct - 0300 123 2224 / childrens@somerset.gov.uk

Somerset Early Help Hub - 01823 355803

NSPCC: nspcc.org.uk

Childline on 0800 1111 or at childline.org.uk.

Anti-Bullying Alliance: anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk

Thinkuknow (includes on-line safety resources for professionals and parents) thinkuknow.co.uk

Great news from Tesco Community Grants

Thank you to the Tesco Community Grants programme as we have received an award of $\pm 1,000.00$ for a playground seating area at the front of the school (near the large tree trunk)- watch this space!

Celebration

Although we were unable to welcome parents/carers to our celebration assembly today, we are all so proud of the following pupils:

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Liam

Maigold: Azalea

Gala: Leo

Discovery: Alfie

Camelot: Oliver H

Blenheim: Ashleigh-Marie

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Oliver J



Maigold: Archie P

Camelot: Sophia E

Blenheim: Oliver T

Running Rockstars

Camelot: Zach

Blenheim: Tyler

50 Merit Awards

Pippin: Trixie

Maigold: Rebecca, Millie, George A

Gala: Ross, Riley S

Discovery: Riley D

Camelot: Alex, Kahleesi

100 Merit Awards

Pippin: Oliver J

Well-being tip of the week

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9XVOnukmI5Y</u> This is link to video about a Support Balloon Art activity your can do with your child/ren- have fun! No balloon needed and I would love to make a display of your work in our school lobby!

Ali Pook

Head Teacher