



Weekly Update: 24th May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

25th May- 2nd June	HALF TERM
3rd-14th June	Year 4 Multiplication Check
4th June	Mr B's running trials (All children need PE kit please)
7th June	Road Safety Morning with Road Safety Officer Somerset Council; Bag2School Pick Up; PTA Festival Disco
10th June	Pippin Trip to Haldon Forest
11th June	Class Photos by Tempest
12th June	New Reception Class Parent/Carer Meeting 6pm
14th June	PTA Father's Day Pop Up
16th June	Curry Rivel Open Gardens- School Gardens Open to Public
17th June	Gala Trip to Magdalen Farm
18th June	Digital Mobile Planetarium visiting school- gifted by PTA
20th June	Camelot Trip to Vivary Park
25-28 June	Year 6 Residential
28th June	SENDCo Café- 9.00am (New date responding to parent feedback)
3rd July	New classes morning
9th July	Sports Day (Reserve Sports day 12 th July)
10th July	Nursery Stay and Play 9.30-11.00am
11th July	Discovery Trip to Exeter Royal Albert Museum
15th July	Escapeline workshops - Years 5 and 6
22nd July	Year 6 Showcase; End of year reports out
23rd July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and Tea Party
24th July	Last day of term

INSET Days for Academic Year 2024/25

- Tuesday 3rd September 2024 (Same as Huish Academy)
- Monday 4th November 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025 (Same as Huish Academy)
- Friday 14th February 2025 (Community Learning Partnership Joint INSET)
- Friday 4th April 2025 (Same as Huish Academy)

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Cricket

Congratulations to our Year 6 cricket team, who have won the CLP local schools' tournament. We received these lovely comments: *'I'm just emailing after our cricket event this afternoon to say how impressed I was with your school's team. They showed brilliant togetherness, team spirit and support for each other. More impressively, they were also incredibly supportive for our team when we played against each other: complementing good shots and commiserating when players missed the ball. I just wanted to pass on what a credit they were to Curry Rivel and how brilliant it was to see.'*

Open Mornings

All classes have enjoyed open and sharing mornings this year where parents/carers have been invited in to their child's class- children have enjoying sharing their learning, and specifically their writing. Writing for a purpose is so important and really motivates the pupils when practicing these vital skills. Thank you to PTA who made these events so welcoming with tea and coffee- feedback has been really positive and we plan to do these again next year.

Wise Up Workshops Message

Being a parent carer of a child or young person with additional needs can bring extra situations which are challenging to know how to handle. To help support parent and carers navigate these we have created a range of workshops based on the subjects you have told us would be helpful.

The workshops will have 2 main parts.

Part 1-will provide information and ideas of things you can try (strategies).

Part 2 – will give you time to discuss your own circumstances and form a plan of what you can try to help.

Alongside this we will also have a range of information workshops both face to face and online.

We are grateful to NHS Somerset for funding the program and to the organisations who are supporting the delivery.

If you are interested in attending any of the events please register via the website:

<https://somerseparentcarerforum.org.uk/home/wise-up-workshops/>

Thank You

A big thank you to Northwing nurseries, who have donated hanging baskets to the school.

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New App for Parents

Curry Rivel Primary School
'Healthy trees bearing good fruit'
Matthew 7 vs 17

We are introducing a new, more efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

Studybugs+

A better, safer way to report when your child is sick and off school.

Scan the QR code for more information and to download the free app. →

Active travel

A new book documenting hundreds of miles riding across England, Scotland and Wales uncovers the real value of investment in bike infrastructure. You can read some extracts from the book in Bloomberg: https://apple.news/AeKf4sBP_Qg65UGRpfiCLOA

Uniform- Message from Brigade

We are pleased to be able to confirm we have one **final offer** this academic year for your parents ordering online:

Date: Saturday 1st June – Midnight Monday 3rd June

Offer: **15% Discount** on all orders

Code: FINAL24

This is our **biggest discount of the year** so we ask that you share this with all parents – especially new parents joining for September so that they can take advantage of this discount towards their main order.

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What a busy week at school. The Year 6 children are to be commended for their hard work, commitment and perseverance as they completed their SATs tests- they demonstrated skills and aptitudes which will prepare them well for secondary school. We enjoyed a visit by Yeovil Town Football Club on Wednesday, with their title trophy, giving a motivational speech to the children- we were joined by locals, Gladys, Arthur and Tom who are life-long Yeovil supporters who added a real community feel to the event. Many children are taking part in the Colour Run at Westfield Park after school, so we look forward to seeing you there!

DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT! PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

Curry Rivel Primary School Classes: [Monday 10th June](#)

Curry Rivel Primary School Final: [Friday 14th June](#)

CLP Schools' Final: [Monday 1st July](#)

Are you a change maker in the community?

Would you like the chance to do public speaking?



You need to prepare a 3-4 minute speech, using notes, your voice, your words, your body language & humour. Topics can include:

- **Topic 1: Children as Change-makers at school** (e.g. travel to school, mental health and well-being, online safety, medicines and drugs, playground initiatives, bullying, obesity)
- **Topic 2: Children as Change-makers in the local community:** (e.g. crime prevention, loneliness, playing safely, caring for the countryside, what makes a healthy community, children's rights)
- **Topic 3: Children as Change-makers in the global community:** (e.g. sustainability, climate change/justice, diversity, fair trade, energy, water, food and farming, healthy)

Sign up with your class teacher

Prizes for all entrants

Be inspired: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8IbheB2-ixM>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DtCxjMdE5dM>

FAMILY HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES at WELLS CATHEDRAL: PEACE AND HARMONY

Creative workshops for children inspired by Peter Walker's stunning 'Peace Doves' installation. In the Education Room 10am-12pm / 1pm-3pm.

· Tuesday 28th May – Build a Dove

Construct a dove toy with moveable wings; create a fingerprint painting

· Wednesday 29th May – Birds on the Wing

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Create bird art inspired by local artist, Caroline Byrne

· Thursday 30th May – Sensory play and mindful crafts

Try out our activities, make a windmill to take home – and breathe!

ALSO...

Pick up a free Peace Doves activity sheet; explore what peace means to you as you wander beneath thousands of paper doves in the Cathedral Nave. Write a message to hang on our peace tree and go 'bird spotting' in Caroline Byrne's exhibition, 'Birds on the Wing'.

FREE with valid adult Cathedral ticket or admission pass – all under 18s go free.

No need to book – just turn up on the day!

*Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult and only assistance dogs are allowed at our family activities.

For more details, visit wellscathedral.org.uk/holidays

Curry Night



Curry Rivel Village Hall
Sat 1st June 7 for 7.30pm

Tickets £15

Two courses

Tickets from Sandpits, Post Office
or contact Dave & Sally

curryrivelsta@gmail.com / phone 01458 253431

Dessert - Bar - Raffle - Veg & Takeaway options

In aid of St Andrews Church North Chapel Windows

PTA Update

Bag2School collection 7th June

You will all now have received a bag to fill but do use any other bags if you have extras. Feel free to drop them into school when you can by Friday 7th June. For more information on what happens to clothes visit <https://bag2school.com>

👛 WHAT THEY COLLECT 👛

✓ They ACCEPT the following 'good quality' items for re-use:

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- ✓ Men's, Ladies' & Children's clothing
- ✓ Paired shoes (tied together)
- ✓ Handbags, bags, hats, scarves, belts & ties
- ✓ Jewellery
- ✓ Lingerie
- ✓ Socks
- ✓ Soft toys
- ✓ Household linen, curtains & towels
- ✓ Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases & duvet covers)

✗ They DO NOT accept:

- ✗ Duvets, pillows, blankets & cushions
- ✗ Carpets, rugs & mats
- ✗ Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- ✗ School uniforms with & without logo
- ✗ Corporate clothing & workwear
- ✗ Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material



The Disco! - PTA Festival Friday 7th June

Pippin, Maigold, Gala: 5.30 - 6.30

Discovery, Camelot, Blenheim: 6.45 - 7.45

The tickets are now on sale and don't forget to get some PTA bux too. kids loved it last year so we are planning on. The price is £4 if bought before and £5 on the door. This will include entry, a hot dog and unlimited squash. We will have tuck, glam and shop available for children to buy items ranging from 50p-£3.

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PTA Pop Up Shop - Father's Day 14th June

The PTA team will be at school offering a variety of gifts for all the special men in the children's lives. Please send your child with cash or purchase PTA Bux. Gifts range from £1 to £3. We've worked hard to find affordable and thoughtful items that children will be excited to give. We hope you enjoy them too!



Open Gardens 16th June 12noon - 5pm

June is a busy month for the PTA, as the school will be participating in the village-wide open gardens event. Come visit us and explore the beautiful school grounds, where Mr. Silver, Mrs. Myhill, and the gardening club have been working hard to make everything look its best. We'll be selling the official program and offering delicious cream teas.

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Suncream and Hats

We encourage children to have suncream applied before they arrive at school and to have a sunhat in their bags. We discourage suncream being brought into school, but if necessary, please can the bottle be labelled with your child's name and be stored in their school bag (No aerosol/sprays please)- children will be able to apply their own cream.

Lates

We are aiming to reduce the number of pupils who arrive late- a disappointing start to the term.

Class	Number of lates last week	Number of lates this week
Pippin	3	6
Maigold	2	4
Gala	3	2
Discovery	1	2
Camelot	7	7
Blenheim	0	3
TOTAL	16	24

Please remember that being late can lead to your child:

- Feeling embarrassed in front of their friends
- Missing the beginning of vital lessons making them fall behind
- Missing important instructions for the rest of the school day
- Learning bad habits which could affect their employability in the future

The impact of being just a little late can accumulate to a loss of learning time.

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days worth of teaching lost in a year
5 mins	3.4 days
10 mins	6.9 days
15 mins	10.3 days
20 mins	13.8 days
30 mins	20.7 days

Attendance

Overall school attendance: 94.14% (Target 96%)

Class attendance award: Discovery (95.7%)

Most improved class attendance: Pippin

Celebration

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

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Eddie
Maigold: Isla
Gala: Bella
Discovery: Darcy J
Camelot: Paige
Blenheim: Riley

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Arlo
Maigold: Mason
Gala: Henry
Discovery: Ruth
Camelot: Jack
Blenheim: Isabelle

50 Merit (Dojo) Certificates:

Gala: Eli C

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100 Merit (Dojo) Certificates:

Pippin: Kirree, Mia, Florence, Thomas

Gala: Mark

Blenheim: Casper

150 Merit (Dojo) Certificates:

Maigold: Isla, Honor

End of term Dojos

1st Quantock with 106 dojos average per child

1st Mendip with 106 dojos average per child

1st Polden with 106 dojos average per child

2nd Blackdown with 102 dojos average per child

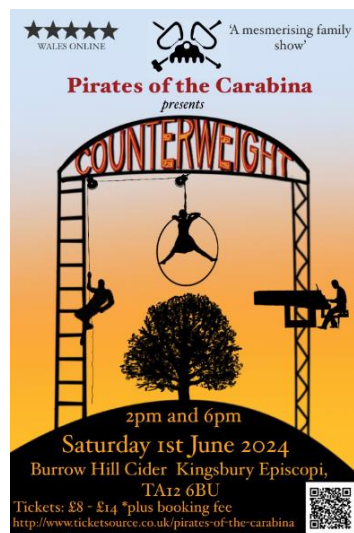
AR Reading Word Millionaires: Eli M (Gala) and Olivia (Camelot)

Achievements outside of school

Swimming: Honor (Maigold)

Gold medal at Quayside Trampolining Showcase: Rosie (Gala)

Blue Peter Music Badge: Bea (Blenheim)



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What's on this summer?

Family Pond Dipping

This is a fun activity aimed at exploring our pond habitat and the different creatures which live there!

This event is aimed at families with children aged between 5-12 years. Each time-slot booking is for 1 child and up to 1 adult to pond dip for 45 minutes. An adult can supervise a maximum of 2 children.

Date 02 June 2024 11am - 2pm
Cost £5 - £6 included booking fee

Wildlife Explorer Backpacks

Unleash your inner explorer! Grab one of our wildlife explorer backpacks and dive into the enchanting world of nature! Each backpack has a pair of children's binoculars, magnifying glass, bug pot, ID guides and seasonal activity sheets to turn your outing into an unforgettable adventure.

Date Daily 10am - 3pm
Cost £3.50 per backpack

Tweet-acular Tunes: Marsh Musicians Dawn Chorus Nature Trail

Join us on an adventure as we see how many different birds make up the Dawn Chorus Ham Wall band!

Trails are available from 10am - 3pm

Date 27 April - 12 June 2024
Cost £3.50 per trail

Facilities and location

Car Park and Toilets: 5am-8pm

Info Point: 10am-4pm

Catering Kiosk: 10am-4pm, guaranteed opening on weekends. Open on weekdays when a volunteer is available. Selling hot and cold drinks, pre-packaged snacks and ice creams.

Address: RSPB Ham Wall, Meare near Clastonbury, BA6 9SX

Contact
ham.wall@rspb.org.uk
01458 860494

Find out more
www.events.rspb.org.uk/hamwall

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Have a wonderful break.

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