



Weekly Update: 20th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Monday 6th January	INSET Training Day (School Closed to Children)
Tuesday 7th January	First day of Spring Term
Friday 17th January	Short Reports to be sent out
Thursday 30th January	Water workshops for Discovery, Camelot & Blenheim
Wednesday 5th March	Pippin Class Trip to Magdalene Farm
Thursday 27th March	Maigold Class Trip to Carymoor Environmental Centre
Monday 30th March	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 1st April	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 2nd April 6-7.30pm	Information Session for Parents/Carers: Online Safety & Social Media. Book via: https://forms.gle/6ZT7kJBEGD5h8Xk17
Thursday 12th June	Discovery Class Trip to Vivary Park

Dates and INSET Days for Academic Year 2024/25

- INSET Day: Monday 6th January 2025 (Same as Huish Academy)
- Spring Term (First half): Tuesday 7th January- Thursday 13th February
- INSET Day: Friday 14th February 2025 (Community Learning Partnership Joint INSET)
- HALF TERM BREAK: 17th-21st February
- Spring Term (Second half): Monday 24th February- Thursday 3rd April
- INSET Day: Friday 4th April 2025 (Same as Huish Academy)
- EASTER BREAK: Monday 7th April- Monday 21st April
- Summer Term (First half): Tuesday 22nd April- Friday 23rd May
- HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 26th May- Friday 30th May
- Summer Term (Second half): Monday 2nd June- Wednesday 23rd July

It has been wonderful to enjoy all our Christmas traditions and celebrations over the past week. The Reception, Year 1 and 2 parents enjoyed their children's Nativity production 'Lights, Camel, Action'; Christmas dinner was enjoyed in the hall over three sittings, with Christmas music and a lot of fun and laughter (Exemplary behaviour from all the children) and we have enjoyed a Carol Service with Rev Mark, at St Andrew's Church, today. After a busy period of assessments across all subjects, the children have had lots to enjoy.

Just to say a big thank you to the staff for the exceptional work they have done this term in supporting the children -stepping up, stepping in and supporting one another.

Finally, a big thank you to you all at home for all the support you give your children and the school staff- the positive partnership between parents/carers and school is vital- you will know that we are always here

Headteacher:
Mrs Ali Pook

Curry Rivel C of E VC Primary School, Church Street, Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerset TA10 0HD
Telephone: 01458 251404

e-mail: office@curryrivel.somerset.sch.uk website: www.curryrivelprimary.co.uk

to help with questions, queries and issues. We always aim to keep you informed about what is happening in school, and urge you to contact us if you or your child have any problems.

Safeguarding (Protecting children from harm/keeping them safe)

In school we have a duty to ensure that all children are safe and protected from harm or abuse. If we have concerns about a child's wellbeing it is our duty to look into this, talk to the family, and if need be, report it to Somerset Direct. If you have any concerns about your child, or another, please come and speak to us.

Safeguarding is everyone's business and cannot be ignored. Somerset Direct (0300 123 2224) or the NSPCC are useful points of contact, should you wish to share or discuss any Safeguarding concerns you have.

Support

Winter can be a difficult time. Somerset Council have listed some of the most popular services and support that could help families over the holiday season. <https://connectsomerset.org.uk/help4all/>



Headteacher:
Mrs Ali Pook

Curry Rivel C of E VC Primary School, Church Street, Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerset TA10 0HD
Telephone: 01458 251404

e-mail: office@curryrivel.somerset.sch.uk website: www.curryrivelprimary.co.uk

Spring Term Clubs

You can start to discuss club plans for next term- they are listed below, and will be available to book through School Money in the New Year.

Day	Activity/Club	Staff	Year group(s)	Dates
Tuesday	Board Games	Mrs Davies-Evans/Mrs Myhill	Reception	28 th January 4 th February 11 th February 25 th February 4 th March 11 th March
Wednesday	Drawing	Miss Carnie	Years 1 and 2	29 th January 5 th February 12 th February 26 th February 5 th March 12 th March
Tuesday	Craft	Miss Martin	Year 3	28 th January 4 th February 11 th February 25 th February 4 th March 11 th March
Tuesday	Art and Craft	Mrs van Cole	Years 4 and 5	28 th January 4 th February 11 th February 25 th February 4 th March 11 th March
Tuesday	Show Club (Year 6 Performance Preparation- details to follow) NB: This will be a free club	Mr Bridgeman	Year 6	28 th January 4 th February 11 th February 25 th February 4 th March 11 th March
Wednesday	Biscuit Club (Year 6 SATs Preparation- details to follow) NB: This will be a free club	Miss Tucker, Mrs Pook and Mrs Shaw	Year 6	22 nd January 29 th January 5 th February 12 th February 26 th February 5 th March 12 th March 19 th March 26 th March 23 rd April 30 th April 7 th May

Mrs Ali Pook

Curry Rivel C of E VC Primary School, Church Street, Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerset TA10 0HD
Telephone: 01458 251404

e-mail: office@curryrivel.somerset.sch.uk website: www.curryrivelprimary.co.uk

Lates

We are aiming to reduce the number of pupils who arrive late.

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

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.*
- *The wellbeing and progress of our pupils is our priority, and we know that absence from school is often a sign that additional support may be needed.*

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

Overall attendance (School target 96%): 94.2%

Highest attendance: Gala (96.4%)

Most improved: Discovery

Celebration

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

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Annabel
Maigold: Max
Gala: Elliott
Discovery: George
Camelot: Arya
Blenheim: James

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Athena
Maigold: Reuben
Gala: Molly
Discovery: George
Camelot: Emily
Blenheim: James

50 Dojos

Maigold: Elsie, Elisha, Ellis, Harrison, Thomas

Gala: Honor, Elliott, Oscar, Louis, Jake, Ethan, Willow,
Headteacher:
Mrs Ali Pook

Camelot: Millie, Anna,
Blenheim: Olivia, Toby W, Oakley,

100% Attendance (Autumn 2)

Pippin: Oscar

Maigold: Mia, Ellis, Elisha, Jacob, Theo

Gala: Isla, Oscar, Phoebe, Millie

Discovery: Edie, Azalea, Izabelle, Emily, Bella, Henry, George, Dot, Jason,

Camelot: Anna, Millie, Evie, Darcy J, Emily, Daisy, Lily, Ruth, Darcey S

Blenheim: Sienna, Jack, Beth, Toby W, Harrison, Paige

Autumn 2 end of term dojos

1st Polden with 48 dojos per child average

2nd Mendip with 47 dojos per child average

3rd Quantock with 46 dojos per child average

4th Blackdown with 44 dojos per child average

Elf Olympics

WINNERS - Quantock - 276 points

2nd - Mendip - 262 points

3rd - Polden - 258 points

4th - Blackdown - 226 points

Wishing you a Very Merry Christmas!

Ali Pook, Head Teacher

Headteacher:
Mrs Ali Pook

Curry Rivel C of E VC Primary School, Church Street, Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerset TA10 0HD
Telephone: 01458 251404

e-mail: office@curryrivel.somerset.sch.uk website: www.curryrivelprimary.co.uk