



Weekly Update: 17th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Thursday 30th January	Water workshops for Discovery, Camelot & Blenheim
Wednesday 29th January	MFL Day
Thursday 30th January 9am	PFSA Drop-In Cafe
3-9 February	Children's Mental Health Week
Monday 10th February	Maigold Sharing Morning
4-10 February	Book Fair
Thursday 13th February 9am	Pippin Sharing Morning
Wednesday 12th March 2pm	SENDCo and PFSA Drop-In Cafe
Wednesday 5th March	Pippin Class Trip to Magdalene Farm
Thursday 27th March	Maigold Class Trip to Carymoor Environmental Centre
Friday 28th March	PTA Mothers' Day Pop Up Stall
Monday 31st 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

- 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

Short Reports

You child's short report is coming home today (enveloped). We hope that these reports keep you informed of your child's efforts and progress- if you have any questions or concerns, please make an appointment to see the class teacher.

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Uniform

Thank you for supporting our school uniform policy- the children look so smart! I am conscious that when children attend a secondary school, uniform expectations are high and strictly enforced. It is therefore in the interest of our children to ensure that they follow the school uniform policy here at Curry Rivel.

A few issues have started to appear: some pupils wear trainers on non-PE days; hair is not always tied back; on PE days coloured and heavily patterned/logo kit is worn and on other days hoodies are creeping in. Our uniform is shown below- you can use this to reinforce the expectations and I will contact you directly if there are any concerns. Please contact us if you have any problems as we have access to pre-loved uniform.

School uniform from September 2024

- ✓ Purple school logo or non logo polo shirt
- ✓ Charcoal grey trousers, shorts, skirt, pinafore or culottes
- ✓ Purple jumper or cardigan
- ✓ Gingham summer dress
- ✓ Black flat shoes or black mid ankle boots
- ✓ Grey socks or tights

PE Kit

- ✓ Purple school logo PE t-shirt
- ✓ Black joggers, shorts or leggings
- ✓ Trainers or daps
- ✓ Purple school hoodie, school jumper or cardigan

The poster features illustrations of the uniform items: a purple polo shirt, charcoal grey trousers, shorts, and a skirt, a purple jumper, a gingham summer dress, black flat shoes, and grey socks. The PE kit items include a purple PE t-shirt, black joggers, shorts, leggings, trainers, and a purple hoodie.

Wise Up Workshops

The Wise Up Workshop calendar is now up on our school website. Wise Up workshops are Workshops for Information, Support and Education (WISE) and are run by Somerset's Parent Carer Forum. They have been specifically designed for parents/carers and are based on topics which parent/carers have told them would be helpful. There are a range of online and face-to-face workshops available, all of which are funded by NHS Somerset. The following link will take you directly to the workshops:

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

Here is a snippet of the workshops available in February:

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WISEUP WORKSHOPS FEBRUARY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						01
02	03	04 Introduction to using visuals 12:30-14:30 Yeovil	05	06 Introduction to auditory processing and managing noise sensitivity 10:00-12:00 Glastonbury	07	08
09	10 Understanding and supporting Gestalt Language Processors 10:00-12:00 Ilminster	11 Becon 7 to 9pm online	12 Helping your child through a transition 12:30-14:30 Shepton Mallet	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Helping your child with sleep difficulties 11:00-13:00 Minehead/ Online	26	27 Understanding and supporting Behaviour 12:30-14:30 Wellington	28	

SEND / PFSA Cafe

We are very excited to welcome parents/carers to our SEND/PFSA cafe again this term. This term's cafe will be held 2pm Wednesday 12th March. It gives parent/carers the chance to talk through any concerns, share experiences and ask questions in a safe and open environment.

Lockdown

As part of our Health and Safety policies and procedures, the school/nursery has a Lock down Policy. On very rare occasions, it may be necessary to seal off the school so that it cannot be entered from the outside. This will ensure that pupils, staff and visitors are safe in situations where there is a hazard in the school grounds or outside the school in the near vicinity. A lockdown is implemented when there are serious security risks for the premises due to, for example, nearby chemical spillage, proximity of dangerous dogs, serious weather conditions or attempted access by unauthorised persons intent in causing harm/damage. The message that will be shared to raise the alarm is 'Goose on the loose'. We follow the **CLOSE** procedure:

- **C**lose all windows and doors
- **L**ock up
- **O**ut of sight and minimise movement
- **S**tay silent and avoid drawing attention
- **E**ndure: be aware you may be in lock down for some time

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This procedure has been explained to the children this week at an appropriate level referring to 'Goose on the Loose' and there will be drill of this soon.

Vaping/Smoking on and near the School Premises

We are proud to be a smoke free/vape free premises adopting a smoke/vape free approach. This means there is no smoking or vaping throughout our school grounds, and we are encouraging this approach outside the school gates and in the vicinity of the school- thank you for your support in this.



WELLS CATHEDRAL | **Puxton Park**

CREATURES GREAT & SMALL

PETTING FARM

AT WELLS CATHEDRAL

Saturday 25 January 2025
11.00am-3.00pm
Admission: Included with entry to the Cathedral

Come and meet a variety of furry friends as the Cathedral hosts Puxton Park's petting farm! Enjoy the opportunity to pet, groom, and learn about these beautiful animals and how we can take care of them.



WELLS CATHEDRAL

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SPACE

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28 Jan — 1 Feb 2025

Tickets: £6—£12; available via wellscathedral.eventbrite.co.uk



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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	1	1
Maigold	2	1
Gala	1	2
Discovery	4	2
Camelot	0	0
Blenheim	2	3
TOTAL	10	9

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.*

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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%): 94.55%

Highest attendance: Discovery (96%)

Most improved: All classes down in their percentage

Celebration

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

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Rupert
Maigold: Ivy
Gala: Ethan
Discovery: Azalea
Camelot: David
Blenheim: Noah

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Emmeline
Maigold: Thomas
Gala: Sonny
Discovery: Finley
Camelot: Lillyann Mai
Blenheim: Oakley

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50 Dojos

Pippin: Oscar

Maigold: Kirree, Mia, Oliver, Harley, Theo, Amelia, Charlie, Daisy, Razan, Jessica, Eddie, Arlo, Reuben

Discovery: Elly-May

Camelot: Lilly-May, Lily

Have a good weekend.

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