

Weekly Update: 5th July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

# Dates for your diary

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# **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)

# **New Classes Day and Residential**

It is always exciting to see your children in their 'new' classes for September- some with new classrooms, new teachers, new support staff or just in a new year group! Staff and pupils alike enjoyed Wednesday morning, getting to know each other and getting a feel of what it is to be a year older. Last week, our amazing Year 6 pupils enjoyed a week away on their residential in the Quantocks, where they enjoyed outdoor activities including swimming, kayaking, archery, high ropes, survival skills and team challenges. They also enjoyed an Escape Room, Silent Disco, Campfire and a 'Mrs Pook Geography walk' learning about the estuary of the River Parrett and the importance of the Steart Marshes. The pupils represented our school with real pride, working together, showing great team spirit, determination and resilience- and of course enjoyed the wonderful home-cooked food. Thank you to the amazing team who supported them- Mr Bridgeman, Mrs Shaw and Mrs Langford! Some comments from the Year 6 Pupils:

'During our stay, there were countless opportunities to step out of your comforts of electronics and become better friends with nature, as well as learning crucial skills. I loved the survival skills and Black Rock. I also learnt other valuable skills -compromise, understanding and empathy.' Isabelle

'It was a week to remember, from survival skills to a geography walk. My favourite part was the escape room. Everything you expect, the staff made it ten times better. It's more than just a week of memories, it's a lifetime of them.' Mia

'All the people there were so welcoming. My favourite part was when we went swimming with everyone including the teachers.' Casper

# SPORTS DAY Tuesday 9th July

We are excited about welcoming you all to our Sports Day.

9.00am-11.00am (Approx finish time): Reception, Year 1 and 2 12.45pm-3.15pm: Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

At this stage the forecast is NOT good, so we all need to be prepared for possible changes. It not feasible for us to ensure a specific time when any decision regarding postponement will be made- British weather changes as quickly, so we would not want to make too hasty a decision and then the sun comes out! Our reserve day is Friday 12th July.

Please ensure that your child/ren come to school with water bottles, with sun cream applied and hats. Gazebos will be in place to provide shade/shelter for the children.

R/KS1 Sports day will start at 9.00 am and parents/carers can come to the field through the front gate once we have all the children in school (I will re-open the front gates at 8.50/8.55am to allow you in).

Parents/carers are asked to leave the school site between the two events. We politely ask that you do not reserve seats if you intend to return in the afternoon.

KS2 Sports day will start at 12.45pm and parents/carers can come through the Water Street (rear) entrance from 12.35pm.

# **Other information**

- Parents/carers are kindly asked to stay in the parents' area, which will be clearly defined.
- You are welcome to bring camp chairs- we will have seating available but extra capacity is useful. Again, please stay in designated areas.
- Parents/carers are politely asked not go to start/finishing line or cross over to children in house pens. This is for safeguarding purposes.
- The school PTA will be providing refreshments for parents (not children).
- Photos- we are taking photos which will be shared on our Facebook page (With the correct permissions).
  Parents/carers are asked to refrain from taking photos/film in order to support Safeguarding and Data
  Protection policies. We appreciate your support with this.
- House colour T-shirts encouraged but not essential (Purple school PE t-shirts can be worn):
  - Blackdown: Red Polden: Blue Mendip: Green Quantock: White

# **Reminder of Uniform for September**



In addition, in line with PE risk assessments and good practice in secondary schools and sports clubs, stud earrings MUST not be worn on PE days. We suggest if your child has their ears pierced, that this is done at the beginning of the summer break so they are healed before the start of term.

# **Allergies Heads Up for September**

At break times, children are encouraged to eat fruit or vegetables, which will continue. However, we will be unable to allow sandwiches or cereal type bars from September, as we will have a pupil who has a severe milk intolerance, and whilst we can manage lunchtimes carefully, we would not want inadvertent contact with products containing milk during morning break, as this intolerance can also be triggered by airborne transmission- thank you for your support.





# Celebration

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

#### **Class Cup Awards**

Pippin: Delilah Maigold: Lily HB Gala: Alec Discovery: Seth Camelot: Evie-Mae Blenheim: Ronnie

# 100 Merit (Dojo) Certificates:

Pippin: Amelia, Daisy, Ellis, Reuben, Jessica, Jacob Discovery: Riley, Michelle Camelot: Barney

# 150 Merit (Dojo) Certificates:

Maigold: Finlo, Phoebe Gala: Eli M

### **Public Speaking Competition Participants**

Pippin: Mia, Charlie, Elsie, Elisha, Thomas, Amelia; Winner: Kirree Maigold: Elliott, Lily T; Winner: Trixie Gala: Annabelle, Ella, Rosie, Azalea, Edie, Mark; Winner: Izabelle Discovery: Ellie-Mai, Lilly S, Lilyann, George, David, Darcey, Arya; Winner: Michelle Camelot: Mia-Rose, Brooke; Winner: Beth Blenheim: Ella, Mia, Poppy, Isabelle, Jamie; Winner: Bea Headteacher: Mrs Ali Pook Curry Rivel C of E VC Primary School, Church Street, Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerset TA10 0HD

#### Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Thomas, Noah Maigold: Finlo Gala: Rosie Discovery: Arya Camelot: Evie-Mae Blenheim: Dulcie

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Bea, Beth and Michelle represented the school at Huish Academy, competing against 3 other local schools, and although we did not win, they represented the school brilliantly with their talk on neuro-diversity.

# Sport Awards from Mr Bridgeman

Year 6: Joseph, Jasper, Summer, Riley, Ronnie, Scott, Henry, William, Clemmie, Casper, Mia, Tiana, Isabelle, Harry, Ethan Year 4: Darcey S, Evie, daisy, Lily H, Oscar, Dylan, Grisha, Ellie-Mai Year 3: Alec, Dot, Luca

# Achievements outside of school

Football awards: Joseph

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ali Pook

Head Teacher