



Weekly Update: 30th January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 3rd February	CLP Swimming Gala
4th – 9th February	Book fair
Wednesday 4th February	MFL Day – Italian Day
Thursday 5th February	Blenheim Class sharing morning
Saturday 7th February	PTA Family Bingo
9th – 15th February	Children's Mental Health Week: This is Me
Monday 9th February	This is Me - Non-uniform
Friday 13th February	STAFF INSET DAY- School closed to pupils
14th – 22nd February	HALF TERM
Wednesday 25th February	SENDCo/ PFSA Drop-in Cafe
Thursday 26th February	Camelot Class sharing morning
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day – Non-uniform
6th -15th March	Science Week: Curiosity
Tuesday 12th March	Residential Meeting for parents 3.30
Thursday 12th March	Maigold Class sharing morning
Thursday 12th March	PTA Mother's Day Craft
Monday 16th March	Discovery Class sharing morning
Friday 20th March	Red Nose Day 2026
Monday 23rd March	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 24th March	CLP Cross Country
Thursday 26th March	Parents' Evening
Thursday 2nd April	Easter Kids Class Raffle
Thursday 2nd April	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church
Thursday 2nd April	Last day of term

Dates and INSET Days for Academic Year 2025/26

- Spring Term (First half): Tuesday 6th January- Thursday 12th February
- INSET Day: Friday 13th February 2026
- **HALF TERM BREAK: 16th-20th February 2026**
- Spring Term (Second half): Monday 23rd February- Thursday 2nd April 2026
- **EASTER BREAK: Monday 3rd April- Friday 17th April 2026**
- Summer Term (First half): Monday 20th April- Friday 22nd May 2026
- **HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 25th May- Friday 29th May 2026**
- INSET Day: Monday 1st June 2026
- Summer Term (Second half): Tuesday 2nd June- Wednesday 22nd July 2026

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Somerset School Terms and Holidays 2026/2027 Academic Year

September 2026							October 2026							November 2026								
M			7	14	21	28	Mo			5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16	23	30		
T			1	8	15	22	Tu			6	13	20	27	T		3	10	17	24			
W			2	9	16	23	We			7	14	21	28	W		4	11	18	25			
Th			3	10	17	24	Th			8	15	22	29	Th		5	12	19	26			
F			4	11	18	25	Fr			2	9	16	23	30	F		6	13	20	27		
Sa			5	12	19	26	Sa			3	10	17	24	31	S		7	14	21	28		
Su			6	13	20	27	Su			4	11	18	25	Su		1	8	15	22	29		
December 2026							January 2027							February 2027								
M			7	14	21	28	M			4	11	18	25	M		1	8	15	22			
Tu			1	8	15	22	Tu			5	12	19	26	Tu		2	9	16	23			
W			2	9	16	23	W			6	13	20	27	W		3	10	17	24			
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Sa			5	12	19	26	Sa			2	9	16	23	30	Sa		6	13	20	27		
Su			6	13	20	27	Su			3	10	17	24	31	Su		7	14	21	28		
March 2027							April 2027							May 2027								
M			1	8	15	22	29	M			5	12	19	26	M		3	10	17	24	31	
Tu			2	9	16	23	30	Tu			6	13	20	27	Tu		4	11	18	25		
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June 2027							July 2027							August 2027								
M			7	14	21	28	M			5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16	23	30		
Tu			1	8	15	22	29	Tu			6	13	20	27	Tu		3	10	17	24	31	
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Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time
	Inset Days

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 03 September – 23 October 2026 (37 days)
 Term 2: 02 November – 18 December 2026 (35 days)
 Term 3: 04 January – 12 February 2027 (30 days)
 Term 4: 22 February – 25 March 2027 (24 days)
 Term 5: 12 April – 28 May 2027 (34 days)
 Term 6: 07 June – 23 July 2027 (35 days) **TOTAL = 195**

Bank and public holidays 2026/27

Christmas Day Bank Holiday	25 December 2026
Boxing Day Bank Holiday	28 December 2026*
New Year's Day Holiday	01 January 2027
Good Friday	26 March 2027

*Replacement Bank Holiday when Bank Holidays falls on a weekend.
 Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please contact your local authority schools for their term dates.

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SPRING TERM BOOK FAIR

Children will be able to view the books in school

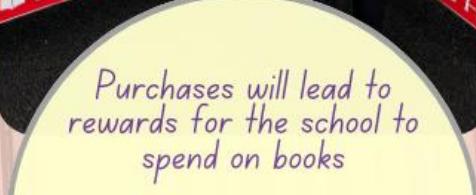
- Wednesday 4th 3.15pm
Front playground
- Thursday 5th 3.15pm
Back playground
- Friday 6th 3.15pm
Front playground
with cake sale
- Monday 9th 3.15pm
Front Playground

If wet the fair will take place in school.




 World Book Day
vouchers can
be used




 Purchases will lead to
rewards for the school to
spend on books

Book Fair 4th February - 9th February - Supporting new books for the whole school

Our Book Fair will be running after school, with all sessions opening at 3.15pm, on the following dates and locations:

- 4th Feb – Front playground
- 5th Feb – Back playground
- 6th Feb – Front playground
- 9th Feb – Front playground

World Book Day tokens can be used on all purchases.

Every purchase also earns rewards that we can spend on brand new books for the school, so it's a great way to support reading across the whole school including Little Pips.

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6th
Feb

PTA Cake Sale

Front playground from 3.15pm



Cake donations welcome. Please drop them off to the office by 9am.

Cake Sale – Friday 6th Feb

Our cake sale will take place at 3.15pm in the front playground.

If you're able to help, please bring home-made or shop-bought cakes into school by 9am on the day.

Please contact your class rep to let us know if you are able to provide cakes, as this really helps us with planning. Thank you for your support these events are always very popular.

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PTA Bingo Night – Saturday 7th Feb

Join us for a fun evening at Curry Rivel Village Hall.

- Doors open: 6.00pm
- Eyes down: 6.30pm

There will be children's prizes, adult prizes, a cash flyer, a raffle, plus a bar and snacks available.

Tickets can be bought in advance at: crpta.co.uk/shop

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This Is Me Day – Monday 9th Feb

To support Mental Health Week, children are invited to come to school in non-uniform. Please no hair dye, face paints or nail varnish.

We also ask pupils to bring in sweets, treats, or small gifts to go towards the Easter class raffle.

Little pips will be running this slightly differently so keep an eye on tapestry for information.

**Sound of the Streets
Street Band Workshop**
Saturday 31 January, 10am-11am and 11.20am-12.20pm
At Guildhall Young Artists Taunton, at Wellington School, Wellington

A free opportunity for all young players of brass, wind and drums (ideally Grade 3+ to come explore the exciting and inspiring world of street band music with The Sound of The Streets.

The workshop will be given by 3 leading music educators and street band musicians.



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Street bands are one of the musical wonders of the world, making strong and rhythmic music full of life and energy, the sound of celebration from New Orleans to South Africa, Delhi to the Balkans.

This is music that is great for developing musical skills, ensemble playing, rhythmic sense, improvisation, and confidence, learning to play by ear and exploring your instrument. We will use a mixture of playing by ear and from music, whatever people are most comfortable with.

The workshop is for all young musicians from Guildhall Young Artists Taunton and any other young musicians under 19 years of age. Players should be Grade 3 equivalent or above, i.e. comfortable with their instrument.

Free admission but advance booking is essential. To book a place please email gyataunton@gsmrd.ac.uk

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP LEADERS

The workshop will be led by drummer Sean O'Hara, brass player Tom Francombe and saxophonist leader Tim Hill. Together they have a wealth of experience, as Emma is a top rock and funk player, Tom is head of brass at John Packer Ltd, and Tim is a veteran street band musician who has led workshops and started street bands around the country. They are all part of the music charity The Sound of the Streets and play in Tim's band Tongues of Fire.

www.tonguesoffirestreetband.co.uk

www.thesoundofthestreets.com



Saturday February 7th

**3.30-5.30pm in The Old School Room, Curry Rivel
(behind the church)**

Very informal with lots of activities, a Christian message, and food

Contact Helen on 07880706517 or Dawn 07764308825
for more information



Messy Church Curry Rivel

**All ages welcome – book if you can or just turn up!
Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult
Messy church is free - donations are welcomed.**

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	5
Maigold	0	5
Discovery	2	3
Camelot	1	6
Blenheim	1	6
TOTAL	5	25

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*

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- *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 this week (School target 96%): 94.6%

Pippin: 94.2%

Maigold: 94.8%

Discovery: 96.4%

Camelot: 91.3%

Blenheim 94.4%

Highest attendance: Discovery

Most Improved: Blenheim

Celebration

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

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Max
Maigold: Asa
Discovery: Ava
Camelot: Henry
Blenheim: Rose

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Riley
Maigold: Charlie
Discovery:
Camelot: Emma and Elliot
Blenheim: Emily

Head Teacher Value Award

Oakley for showing kindness and offering to give out the fruit at snack time.

50 Dojos

Barnaby, Athena, Tobias, Frankie, Millie, Elliott, Isac, Cassius, Riley, Azania, George, David

100 Dojos:

Trixie, Emily, George, Oliver, Oscar, Bella, Elly-May

Have a wonderful weekend.

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