



## Weekly Update: 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### Dates for your diary

#### Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Sports Day (Reserve Sports day 11th July)

- 9.00-11.00: R, Years 1 and 2
- 12.45-3.15: Years 3-6

Children to wear house colours: Blackdown (Red); Mendip (Green); Polden (Blue); Quantock (White)

#### Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Year 5 (Camelot) to watch Buggy Malone at Huish Academy

#### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July

Information Session for Parents, Carers Behaviour Management Techniques with Family Intervention Services

To book a place to attend this session please do so via this link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe6oIJ0aGoJG-OVgvDLEturRnCQOE\\_6yme2nKw72nRE3QWAsw/viewform?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe6oIJ0aGoJG-OVgvDLEturRnCQOE_6yme2nKw72nRE3QWAsw/viewform?usp=header)

#### Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

2pm: Church Service of Celebration '150 Years of Curry Rivel School'

3.15pm: Community Cream Tea & Exhibition

#### Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July 12-3pm

Village Fete with school/nursery open day

#### Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 6pm

Year 6 Showcase; End of year reports out

#### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Year 6 Leavers' Service with parents/carers (am) and Tea Party (pm)

#### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Last day of term: Final Awards Assembly

#### Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

INSET Day- training day for staff

#### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

INSET Day- training day for staff

#### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September

First day of Autumn term

### Dates and INSET Days for Academic Year 2024/25

- 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

### Residential

I am delighted to share the wonderful success of our recent residential trip to Hill House. It was an unforgettable experience for our pupils, filled with adventure, learning, and personal growth. Throughout the stay, the children demonstrated resilience and independence as they embraced the challenge of being away from home. They developed essential life skills such as organisation, teamwork, and consideration for others, all of which were evident in the way they supported one another and took responsibility for their belongings and routines. The range of activities offered at Hill House provided rich opportunities for skill-building and confidence-boosting. From the thrill of kayaking and the challenge of the high ropes, to the practicality of survival skills and the focus required in archery, every child stepped out of their comfort zone and achieved something to be proud of. It was great to see

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the children grow not only in ability but also in character. Their enthusiasm, courage, and kindness made the trip a real success, and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them. A big thank you to the staff team: Miss Tucker, Mr Bridgeman, Mrs Shaw and Mrs Harvey.

### **Staff Success**

Debbie Elliot, who works in our school kitchen, has been nominated as Life President of Exeter Deaf Association, who celebrate their 200 years anniversary in 2026. We are very proud of her- well done Debbie.

### **Public Speaking Competition**

Our recent Active Travel Day led to debate and discussion about how we can promote 'active travel' and all the children developed their oracy skills by giving a group presentation. Our outstanding orators were:

Pippin: Esmae, Violet and Mila.

Maigold: Delilah, Wilf and Noah

Gala: Trixie, Lily T and Mabel

Discovery: George & Henry

Camelot: Ellie-Mai, Evie, Ruth

Blenheim: Brooke, Dexter, Annmiya, Evie and Mia-Rose

Our school public speaking team represented our school at the Huish CLP Public Speaking Competition this week and we were up against four local teams. It is with pride I announce that Curry Rivel won. Well done Brooke, Mia-Rose and Beth. It is noted that Beth had to stand in at the last minute and Mia-Rose had to question another team who changed their topic, and so had to really think on the spot. They presented with confidence, eloquence and passion including using gestures, eye contact and intonation- great job!

### **SPORTS DAY Tuesday 8th 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 good**, but we still need to be prepared for possible changes. It is 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.**

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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.**
- If you are attending both sport days, you will need to leave at 11am to return later- please take all your belongings with you
- 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

### **Information Session for Parents/Carers: Behaviour Management Techniques with Family Intervention Services**

**Date:** Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**Time:** Starting at 6pm with an estimated end time of 7:30pm

**Venue:** King Ina Church of England Academy, Northfield, Somerton, TA11 6FQ

We are pleased to be able to offer this session again for parents, carers, governors and school staff. Please book your place online via the link found below.

### **A whistle stop tour of some parenting techniques and strategies to use with your children aged 2-18.**

We will be looking at the following principles that underpin all areas of parenting (and relationships) whatever the age.

- Emotion Coaching, being able to label our emotions- CBT/Behaviour Curve
- Brain development and how it affects children
- 3 Key questions to help with behaviour management
- Supporters – who can support you?
- Focusing on what really matters – basket exercise
- Rupture and repair within relationships

The session will be fully collaborative, and we will be open to conversations and listening to your own techniques which have been successful.

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### Reducing Parental Conflict, NEW online courses available:

Reducing the impact of separation/divorce on you and your children. Further support for parents, course information and links to support professionals working with families can be found [here](#).

 It's **Messy Church** Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup> – 10am-12 (new time)  
in The Old School Room, Curry Rivel (behind the church)  
Very informal, includes crafts, activities, a Christian message, and food!  
Contacts Helen 07880706517 or Dawn 07764308825  
 Messy Church Curry Rivel

**For families and all ages, children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.**  
*Messy church is free - donations are welcomed.*

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JOIN US FOR THE  
**CURRY RIVEL VILLAGE FÊTE**

**SATURDAY**  
19<sup>TH</sup> JULY  
12 - 4PM

**FREE ENTRY**

**CURRY RIVEL VILLAGE GREEN**

Illustration of the village fête scene with stalls for:

- GAMES, SWEETS, TOYS
- PIMMS STALL
- CRAFT STALLS
- PIZZA
- CREAM TEAS
- CAKES
- LIVE MUSIC
- BURGERS

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 **Summer Reading Challenge**

**Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!**

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a FREE, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

**Why Join?**

- It's **FREE!** Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a **lifelong love of reading**
- Boosts **confidence, creativity, and imagination**
- Earn **rewards, certificates, and prizes**
- Fun for the whole **family**. Visit your **local library** together
- **95%** of children said they **read more** after joining!
- Children **choose their own books** to read over the summer, **collect rewards** for each milestone they reach, and **receive a certificate or medal** when they complete the challenge.



Visit your local library or go online at  
 [summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)  
to get started from 5 July 2025.

**Help your child start their reading adventure today!**

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## School Uniform

A uniform creates a sense of belonging and shows pride in our school and our commitment to a shared vision, value and ethos. It helps to promote a positive and professional work ethic and encourages a focus on learning. It promotes equality of opportunity and protects our students from social pressures to dress in a particular way. It nurtures school cohesion and promotes positive behaviour. We expect all children to wear our school uniform and we ask parents to assist us in maintaining standards in this important aspect of school life.



# Uniform

- ✓ 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 in winter
- ✓ White ankle socks with summer dress

## PE Kit



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

### Where to buy items

- New logo items - [www.brigade.uk.com](http://www.brigade.uk.com)
- New non logo items - most supermarkets or online.
- Preloved items - email [CurryRivelPTA@outlook.com](mailto:CurryRivelPTA@outlook.com) or speak to your class rep 

UNIFORM	
Polo Shirt	Purple polo shirt
Jumper/Cardigan	Purple jumper or purple cardigan
Trousers	Charcoal grey trousers or tailored shorts
Skirts	Charcoal grey skirt/pinafore dress/culottes Purple gingham summer dress (optional)
Shoes	Black flat shoes or ankle/mid-calf flat school boots (No slip-on ballet pumps please). Please ensure that shoes are comfortable for running, playing and physical activities.
Socks	Grey socks or tights
Jewellery	If your child has pierced ears then small plain studs may be worn. Watches may be worn at the owner's risk. (Please no smart watches).

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Hair	The school does not allow extremes of hair fashion. i.e no lines or patterns or obvious dyeing of hair. Long hair must be tied back.
<b>PE KITS (To be worn on PE days)</b>	
Shirt	School purple PE T-shirt
Shorts	Plain black shorts or plain black jogging bottoms (No logos)
Trainers	Sports trainers or daps
Jumper/Cardigan	Purple jumper or cardigan OR Purple school PE hoodie
Jewellery	Earrings and watches must be removed for all PE lessons. If ears are recently pierced, they will be taped for safety.
Hair	Long hair must be tied back.

- Items can be ordered via:
- <https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/school/CU4572PD/>
- Preloved uniform is also available from the PTA. Please email: CurryrivelpTA@outlook.com for further details.
- Book bags are also available at school. Please ensure that all clothing is clearly named so that we can return clothes that are found and also to help the children when they are changing. Also, especially when your child is young, velcro or elastic on shoes is much easier for them rather than laces. We also ask that every child has a waterproof coat every day of the year so that they are properly dressed for outside play.

**All items must be labelled with your child's name.**

## Message from the PTA

### Pre-Order Now for Sports Day – July 8th!

Get ahead of the game and pre-order your tasty treats for Sports Day on Tuesday 8th July!

Order now from the PTA website: <https://crpta.co.uk/shop/>

#### Why pre-order?

Pre-ordering helps us plan more accurately, reduce food waste, and make sure there's enough of everything for everyone. Plus, you'll save money too!

#### Morning Only:

- Bacon Sandwiches – £2
- Served hot and fresh – only available in the morning.

#### Afternoon Only:

- Cream Teas – £2
- Perfect for an afternoon treat – only available in the afternoon.

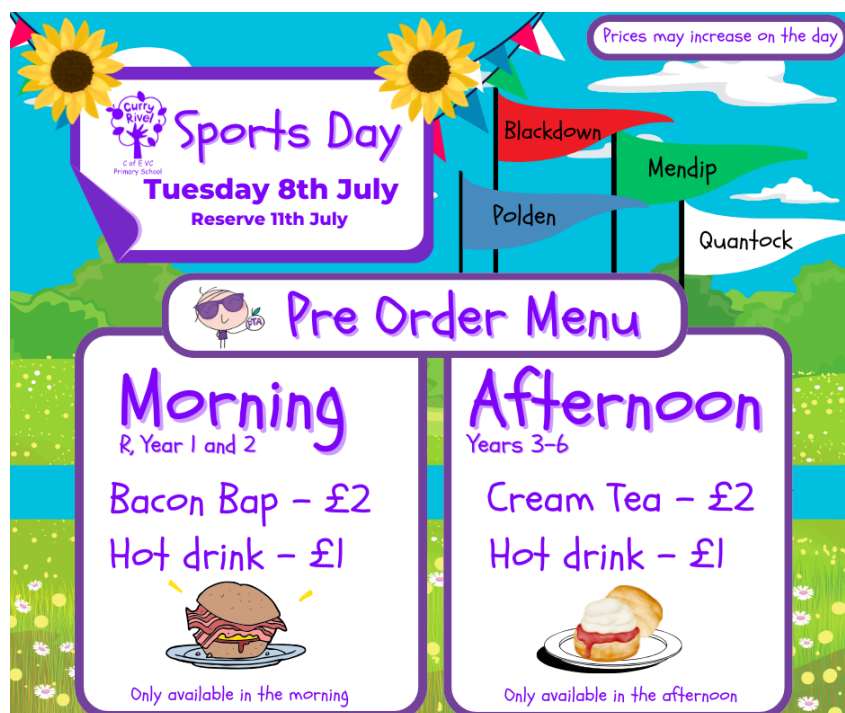
Prices on the day will increase by 50p, so pre-ordering isn't just better for the environment and it's better for your wallet too! Order by Monday 7th July to secure your favourites! If Sports Day is postponed, your order will automatically carry over to the new date.

Let's make this Sports Day delicious. Thank you for your support!

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## Tea Towels

We're excited to share a special commemorative tea towel created to celebrate 150 years of our school! Each tea towel features a delightful collection of artwork from children across the school, from Little Pips right up to Year 6. They make a lovely keepsake or gift and are available to purchase now for just £5 each. Orders will be sent home with your child by the end of term. Stock is limited, so be sure to order soon!

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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	3	2
Gala	1	2
Discovery	1	1
Camelot	2	1
Blenheim	5	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>

*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%**

Highest attendance this week: Camelot (97.9%)

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: Mila  
Maigold: Jacob  
Gala: Jake  
Discovery: Izabelle  
Camelot: Lillyann  
Blenheim: James

### Lunchtime Awards

Pippin: Mally  
Maigold: Arlo  
Gala: Eddie  
Discovery: Oliver  
Camelot: Evie  
Blenheim: Toby W



### **100 Dojos**

Pippin: Finn, Elsie, Oakley, Asher  
Maigold: Arlo,  
Gala: Mason,  
Discovery:  
Camelot: Riley,  
Blenheim: Noah, Jacob,

### **150 Dojos**

Pippin: Annabel, Oscar, Hazel  
Gala: Eddie  
Discovery: Eli, Ailsa  
Camelot: Ellie-Mai  
Blenheim: Annmiya, James, Mia-Rose, Paige

### **200 Dojos**

Gala: Jake Y  
Discovery: Bella

### **Achievements Outside of School**

PMC Dance Group Performance: Hazel, Finn, Delilah, Amelia, Lizzie, Liv and Beth

Triathlon at King's College: 'Mr B's Pocket Rockets': Archie T, Elliot, Luca, Noah G

### **Message from Fyne Court**

We are thrilled to introduce our new Nature Explorer Backpacks, now available at Fyne Court and Brean Down! These seasonal activity backpacks are designed to engage young people (ages 11 and under) with nature through fun and educational activities. We're also excited to launch a Logo Competition for the Nature Explorer Backpacks! We invite students to get creative and design a logo that represents exploration and nature. A template for entries is attached, but students are welcome to use plain paper or create their designs digitally. The competition is open to children pre-school and primary age, and the winning three entrants will receive a free National Trust book of their choosing. Please submit photos or scans of entries to [FyneVolunteering@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:FyneVolunteering@nationaltrust.org.uk), including the entrant's name, age, and a contact number or email address. Thank you for your support in spreading the word and encouraging participation in our logo competition and summer activities. We can't wait to see the amazing designs your students come up with!

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**North Curry fc is now actively recruiting talented and committed players to join our U10 football team next season.**

**Open training sessions on:**  
 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 6-7.30pm  
 Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August 9-10.30am  
 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 6-7.30pm

To register your interest, please contact either of the following coaches:  
 Matt Vella: 07810186764  
 Holly Meakins: 07410928592  
 Jamie Stewart: 07710655731  
[www.northcurryfc.com](http://www.northcurryfc.com)  
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**STREET BEATS WANTS YOUNG DRUMMERS WHO ARE READY TO BRING SERIOUS RHYTHM**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July**  
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## SUMMER FOOTBALL COURSES

**9 AM - 3 PM**  
**BOYS & GIRLS AGED 6 - 13**

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 Pitney, Langport  
 TA10 9AS

**Week 1 - 28th July - 1st August**  
**Week 2 - 4th August to 8th August**  
**Week 3 - 11th August to 15th August**  
**Week 4 - 18th August to 22nd August**



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