

Weekly Update: 15th March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

W/B 18th March	Assessment Week
18 th March	Information Session for Parents, Carers and School Staff Online Safety & Social Media with
	Amy Brittan, SCC Education Technology Advisor. 6pm, Huish Episcopi Academy. Book via:
	https://forms.gle/rRKLwzbh2ay226DM6
20 th March	No Outsiders Information Session for parents 9.00am
21 st March	PFSA Coffee Afternoon 2.30-3.15pm in the Russett Room- drop-in session
22 nd March	Spinal Muscular Atrophy non-uniform day (Wear Sky Blue)
	Maigold Local Visit to Farm
23 rd March	PTA Easter Bingo in the village hall
25 th March	Information Session for Parents, Carers and School Staff Behaviour Management Techniques
	with Family Solutions Somerset. 6pm, Huish Episcopi Academy. Book via:
	https://forms.gle/9wJpahjvNjvuC3fJ6
25th-28th March	Year 6 Bikeability
26th/27th March	Clive Pig Storyteller
26 th /27 th March	Pippin and Year 6 Parents' Evenings
28 th March	PTA Easter Treat Sale & PTA Easter raffle; Easter Service 9.15am
20th April	Saturday Volunteer Day working on school grounds- for tea and cake!
22 nd /24 th April	Maigold, Gala, Discovery and Camelot Parents' Evenings
2 nd May	PTA Meeting 7pm Firehouse
13 th -16 th May	Year 6 SATs week (Key Stage 1 assessments start as well)
18th May	Saturday Colour Run at Westfield Park
20 th May	Information Session for Parents, Carers and School Staff Child Exploitation by County Lines
	With Escapeline. 6pm, Huish Episcopi Academy. Book via:
	https://forms.gle/YVj1EpvbRqJKQzoF8
24th May	Non-uniform day- Crazy hair day
7th June	Road Safety Morning with Road Safety Officer Somerset Council; PTA Festival Disco
14th June	PTA Father's Day Pop Up
16th June	Curry Rivel Open Gardens- School Gardens Open to Public
18 th June	Digital Mobile Planetarium visiting school- gifted by PTA
9 th July	Sports Day (Reserve Sports day 12 th July)
22 nd July	Year 6 Showcase; End of year reports out
23 rd July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and Tea Party
Spring term	2 January- 28 March 2024
Summer term	15 April- 24 July 2024
Summer INSET Day	15 April 2024
Summer Half Term	25 May- 2 June 2024

INSET Days for Academic Year 2024/25

- Tuesday 3rd September (Same as Huish Academy)
- Monday 4th November
- Monday 6th January (Same as Huish Academy)
- Friday 14th February (Community Learning Partnership Joint INSET)
- Friday 4th April (Same as Huish Academy)

The school office have emailed the 2024/25 calendar to you.

Experience Easter Outside

All classes visited the grounds of St Andrew's Church this afternoon to make their way around 5 'stations' as the Good Friday/Easter narratives were presented by the church family with short reflective/practical activities. The children had a lovely time, learning about each part of Easter Week, and enjoying hot cross buns. A big thank you to Rev Scott and his welcoming team.

Curry Rivel Welcomes Parents and Carers

It was so good to see parents/carers of Year 2 pupils on Wednesday- they were learning about Key Stage One SATs assessments. We also welcomed parents/carers of pupils in Pippin and Maigold this week, where the children shared their amazing writing.

Tuning into Kids Parenting Programme: Message from Parent Family Support Adviser

You are invited to take part in a free program that aims to help you and your child manage the many emotional challenges of this stage of life. *Tuning in to Kids*[™] is a six-week parenting program run one session a week for two hours. The program will teach you how to manage your own and your child's emotions in ways that help you to remain close and keep communicating. By learning these skills, you are less likely to have as much conflict within your family and your child is more likely to talk to you about the challenging issues they face.

What is Emotional intelligence?

The program is based on the concept of Emotional Intelligence. Emotional Intelligence (EQ) is about using your emotions to guide you through the world. It is about being able to use your own knowledge of emotions to make decisions, to calm yourself down, to manage anger and conflict, to help you in your relationships with people, to know what is happening in social situations, and to assist you in many aspects of life where you or another person are involved.

Why is Emotional Intelligence important?

Research has shown that children with greater emotional intelligence:

- are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- have greater success with making friends and are more able to manage conflict with peers
- are more able to cope when upset or angry
- have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults
- have greater career success Emotional Intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ.

When parents focus on helping their child learn about emotions, the young person is more likely to have higher emotional intelligence. In this parenting program we will teach parents what to do to help these skills develop, and in doing so we expect children to manage themselves better.

Would you like to find out more?

The sessions are on Tuesday 30th April, 7th May, 14th May, 21st May (10-12). Then a week's break for half term, 4th June, 11th June. All at Somerton library.

If you are interested in participating in this parenting program, please complete this form:

https://form.jotform.com/240703159731049

Message from the PTA

Bingo - Saturday 23rd March

Just over a week until our family bingo evening. We have great prizes, snacks and bar and a whole lot of fun so don't delay in getting your tickets from our website.



Book Bingo - Which class will win extra breaktime?

We love seeing your photos so do send them into CurryrivelPTA@outlook.com. If you need another sheet please visit our website <u>https://curryrivelpta.co.uk/downlaods/</u>Return your child's sheets and pay by cash or using our link <u>https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QFWQHM7Z</u> by Monday 25th March.



Easter Artwork

We are planning to set up an Easter trail during the holidays. We just need the artwork! Therefore we are launching a FREE Easter Artwork competition. We will be choosing around 20 eggs to be placed around the village. Tescos have kindly agreed to put up your art work and will be voting on their favourites. See book bags for art sheets or visit our website for extras <u>https://curryrivelpta.co.uk/downlaods/</u>Return your sheet on 25th March.



Volunteer day - 20th April

Last spring the school organised a very successful volunteering day where parents, children and staff joined forces to spruce up the grounds. We planted, swept, cut hedged, painted and ate cake! We have decided to do this again on the first Saturday of the summer term. Please let the office know if you can come and help out any amount of time even half and an hour will benefit the school. Children are welcome too.



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Colour run - Saturday 18th May

Would you like to be involved with creating memories for the kids, involving colour, laughter and running? We already have Mr B and Miss Tucker signed up but we need as many of you as possible. Don't worry we are not asking you to run the event just be part of the team. Sign up on our website to volunteer to be part of the team to bring the first PTA Colour run to Curry Rivel.



Requests - Bee friendly plants

As part of the King's Coronation the school, led by Mr Silver, has been developing a rockery in the front playground for all wildlife to thrive but especially the bees. The rockery is taking shape and now is ready for planting. Mr Silver has made a request for some additional bee friendly plants. Please drop off any plants to the office during the school day or leave them by the back gates at any time.





Celebration

We did not have Celebration Worship today as we were visiting St Andrew's Church for 'Celebrating Easter Outside'.

Have good weekend.

Ali Pook

Head Teacher