



Weekly Update: 18th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Friday 25th October	PTA Fundraiser Break The Rules Day; Launch of Christmas Card designs
Monday 28th October – 1st November	Half term holiday (PTA Village Trail)
Monday 4th November	INSET training day- school closed
Tuesday 5th November	The Stand Against Violence Workshops for Years 5 and 6.
Thursday 7th November	PTA Meeting at the Firehouse
Sunday 10th November	Village Remembrance Sunday Service
Monday 11th - Friday 15th November	Anti-Bullying Week (Monday 11 th November- Odd Socks Day)
Thursday 14th November 9.00-10.30am	Open Morning for prospective new families
Friday 15th November	PTA Silent Disco
Saturday 16th November	PTA Adult Silent Disco Party
Monday 18th November	Last day to hand in Christmas Shoe Boxes
Wednesday 20th November 2-3pm	Parent Family Support Adviser and SENDCo Drop-in Café for parents/carers
Monday 2nd December	Launch of PTA Christmas Raffle; Christingle Making (Fundraiser for the Children's Society)
Wednesday 4th December	Panto (Gifted by the PTA)
Friday 13th December	PTA Elfridges Stall
Tuesday 17th December	Afternoon Nativity performance to parents
Wednesday 18th December	Evening Nativity performance to parents
Thursday 19th December	Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 20th December 9.15am	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church; Last Day of term

INSET Days for Academic Year 2024/25

- 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)
- Majority of parents have booked for Parents Evening, I have sent a chase out today to those who have not.

Parents' Evening

It was lovely to see you all at the Parents' Evenings this week- having a moment to relax with a cup of tea and a doughnut! Many of you commented on the warm welcome the school staff, SENDCo, PTA team and Parish Council gave you in the school hall, and how the teachers shared useful information with you about your child. Thank you to our enthusiastic House Captains who volunteered to welcome families and direct you to your meetings. Please remember you do not need to wait until a parents' evening to share concerns or queries- contact your class teacher in the first instance as they will be happy to help.

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Online Safety

Children's use of the internet is becoming more mobile and interactive offering young people more opportunities to interact and meet new people, so it's never been more important to make sure you are helping your child stay safe in the digital world.

Get in control of parental controls



If using a
smartphone, check
content lock is set



Set parental
controls on your
home broadband



Control app
downloads
and purchases



Make the
games console
safe and secure



Use safety mode
on YouTube
and Google



If using social
networks, check
privacy settings

Go to internetmatters.org/controls
for step-by-step guides

Parish Plan- Message from the Parish Council

Fill out the Parish Plan questionnaire for a chance to win!

The questionnaire gives you the chance to express your opinions about the future of Curry Rivel. It focuses on matters that the parish council manages directly, so will help the council understand how it can make Curry Rivel an even better place for people who live here.

The survey has been extended to 4th November, so that we can get as many responses as we can. Please let all your friends and family know. If you would like some publicity fliers to give out, or to put in your window, please let us know at clerk@curryrivel.org.uk, and we'll bring them round to you. Or, you can download one from the link on the left and print it at home. Thanks!

When you submit your answers you will be able to choose whether to enter a prize draw. The top prize will be for vouchers to cover a family meal out for 4, with a pizza meal for 4 as the second prize. Tickets for 4 people to go to Movies at the Village Hall is the 3rd prize. So encourage everyone in your family to enter!

You can access the survey using the QR code on this page or click the link below

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CurryRivelPP>

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Brigade Uniform Offer: Halloween Promotion

- Friday 25th October to Thursday 31st October inclusive
- 10% off all parent online orders with the promotion code **SPOOKY10**

Promotion is for Parents Online Orders Only.

Sports Update from Mr Bridgeman

Last Monday, the Year 5/6 Boys' Football team competed in the CLP Football Tournament at Huish. For a large number of the team, it was their first time representing the school - they did us proud, showing great teamwork, resilience and positive communication to finish 4th in the tournament.

On Thursday, an amazing 37 children from Years 3,4 ,5 and 6 chose to represent our school in the first CLP Cross Country event of the year. As reigning champions, it was great for us to have such a positive start, and to see so many of our children so inspired and motivated to take part was brilliant!

Flood Resilience


You will be aware that winters are getting wetter, and the winter ahead is no exception. We are working on our flood resilience plan and will keep you updated. The major risk we face is school closure due to staff not being able to travel to work- we are liaising with the Local Authority and other agencies to be as prepared as we can be. As house holders you can also do your bit:

<https://www.floodre.co.uk/be-flood-smart/>


Stoke St Gregory Tennis Club

Direct booking link is here:


<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/johncooksleycoaching/Coaching/Camp/66aeb55a-7039-42b6-9151-1f78a94cf6d3>


 Halloween Holiday Fun Day. Suitable for ages 5-13. Non-members and all abilities welcome!

 4 Tuesday 29th October

 Stoke St Gregory Tennis Club, Taunton, TA3 6EQ

 9am-12pm

 07539 940904

 johncooksleytennis@yahoo.com



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👻👻 HALF TERM CRASH COURSES- SWIMMING 🦋🦋

Make a spooky splash and book your space today in our swim lesson crash course from Monday 28th Oct - Friday 1st Nov. Available for stages 1,2 and 3. For more information including prices, and to book your space, please contact Gina - swimming.langport@lifestylefitness.co.uk or call the centre on **01458 251055**

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	2	1
Maigold	2	4
Gala	1	4
Discovery	1	2
Camelot	4	1
Blenheim	4	5
TOTAL	14	17

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%): 95.7%

Highest attendance: Gala (97.8%)

Most improved: Camelot

Celebration

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

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Reggie
 Maigold: Charlie
 Gala: Louis
 Discovery: Luca
 Camelot: Darcey S
 Blenheim: Elcie

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Elsie
 Maigold: Isla
 Gala: Brody-Luca
 Discovery: Oliver
 Camelot: Lillyann Mai

Have wonderful weekend.

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