

## Curry Mallet Church of England VC Primary School

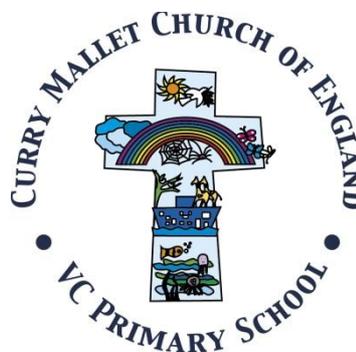
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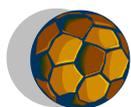


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# AUTUMN NEWSLETTER NO.36

Dear Parents,

I would like to start by saying a big thank you for supporting the Jeans for Genes day, which raised £80, and for also for supporting the Macmillan coffee morning which we held last Friday. Despite the low numbers who were able to come for coffee in the morning we raised £200. Thank you to all who made and bought a delicious range of cakes and for Mrs Simpson and Mrs Cannon for organising the event.



We have had a busy few sporting weeks with some successes on the football pitch. Sports Hall athletics has also taken place as has a fun run for the younger children and cross country for the older ones. It is really good to see so many children taking part in some sort of physical activity and representing our small school. Remember to look at the school website under the sport section for our match reports.

We have a busy few weeks before half term

### DIARY DATES

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October & Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Visit to Swell Woods
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr 3/4 Tag Rugby – Somerton Parents Evening 5.30-8.00pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Cross Country at Long Sutton
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	MUFTI DAY PTFA Film Night 3.15-5.15pm school hall
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr's 1,2 & 3 Flu vaccination in school Girls Football Yr's 4/5/6 sessions at Huish ( <b>Further information available under 'Sport' on the school website</b> )
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr 5/6 Science trip to Kings College Yr's 4/5/6 Indoor Athletics Huish Academy 4pm start
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Curry Mallet Open Afternoon 1.15-3.15pm All Welcome
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	'Wear it Yellow' day for a £1 donation (Wear something yellow to support St Margaret's Hospice)
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	First day back at School

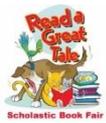
On Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup> we are joining with Hatch Beauchamp School for a 'Diwali Day'. This will be held at Hatch School and we would ask that you take your child straight there and collect from there at the end of the day. We have cancelled hot meals for that day and so all the children will need to bring a packed lunch. Children who attend The Willows either end of the day will be transported by staff that have the appropriate insurance.

Next week the whole school will be visiting Swell woods either on Monday or Tuesday. Apologies for the confusion around the letter which indicated just class 3 on the reply slip. The children will need to wear old clothes as they may be getting very muddy. They will be divided into 4 groups with 2 groups attending on Monday and 2 on Tuesday. The older children will be going on Tuesday as they will be needed to work on a design which is being incorporated into the Cobb wall. I am happy for all children to come in non - uniform for both days in case arrangements have to change at the last minute. We are aware that there are drum lessons on Tuesday morning and the children involved in these will have their lessons.

Paul Thomas from North Curry Youth Football Club, will be running the after school football Club session on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October we will be having an Open Afternoon. This is to show parents and the wider community what we do and also to try to encourage new pupils to come to Curry Mallet Primary School. We're asking parents if they have any friends or family with children looking to start next year to encourage them to come and visit and see what Curry Mallet School has to offer. Also on this afternoon parents will be able to see the work the children have been doing this term celebrating the works of Roald Dahl.

The work on the gable end of the hall has been completed and we are still hopeful that the hall will be decorated during half term.



A big thank you to all the parents who supported the Scholastic book fair. We sold £490.00 worth of books which meant that the school got to choose £196.50 worth of books for the library.



We have been advised by county that we are able to start a pre-school in the library. Initially we will be able to take 8 children per session. This project is in its very early stages and we hope that we have the support of the whole school community as we try to move this forward. We are looking to purchase another 'hobbit type' house for the library which will be situated behind class 2. It will be fully insulated and have electric heating to ensure that the children are comfortable when they use it and that the books are kept in good condition. If anyone is able to help in any way please come and see me. We hope that this will have an impact on the number of children joining our school in the future.



**School Photographs – Your child will have brought home proofs of the photographs which were taken in school. Should you wish to place an order please return them to the School Office by Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October. After this time we will be unable to process any orders, however you can order direct from Tempest after this date, but you will incur postage and packaging fees.**

Kind regards

Wendy Devereux