

Together Everyone Achieves More

*Through.....
Loving learning, loving each other and loving life
itself
AGAPE: The Good Samaritan (Luke 10: 25-37)*

Newsletter 15/07/20

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of term, I have been reflecting on the school year and the impact it's had on our school community. I don't think I will ever forget my third year as Head teacher and the challenges that it has brought for the school. However, what I can say is that Covid-19 has highlighted the fact that we really are an amazing TEAM. Your support in looking after, both your children's health, safety, happiness and education, has been incredible in such difficult circumstances...thank you! The staff never fail to impress me with their commitment to the school and the children, for which I am extremely grateful for. North Curry School continues to be a very special place and I am really looking forward to a happy and successful (hopefully less disruptive) year from September.

September Plans

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding in waiting for the school to finalise plans for September. Later on today you will be receiving a letter via email regarding your child's specific class arrangements. It is really important that you take the time to read the letter as it contains a lot of information. Having done this, if you have any further questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office. The school will be open until Monday 20th July. After this, Mrs Evans or I will be checking the office mailbox once a week throughout the holidays. School will re-open on Thursday 3rd September for our two staff INSET days. Mrs Evans will be working in the school office on Friday 4th September if you have any final queries before the start of school on Monday 7th September. Many thanks.

School Books: Years 2 to 5

Just a reminder that if you would like to keep your children's school books from this academic year then you will need to pop up to the school on Monday 20th July between 9am until 11am. Please buzz at the main school gate and let us know the name of the child/ren that you have come to collect (sorry but under GDPR we can only give the work to the parent/carer of the child whose books they are) and someone will bring it down to hand over the gate to you. All uncollected books will be safely disposed of at the end of the day as we simply don't have the space to store additional books over the Summer. Many thanks.

Collective Worship Theme of the Week: Journeys

Life is a journey, it's not where you end up but it's how you get there.



Church section of the school website

This week's bible chat mat colouring sheet (which you may like to do with your child at home) is called 'Jesus the Party Goer'.

There are some new resources on the website from Deborah Kirk entitled the 'Lord's Prayer'.

Please click on the link below to take you to the Church section of the school website.

<https://north-curry-ce-primary.secure-primariesite.net/the-church/>

Our 'Big Question' of the Week

Reflecting on lockdown, what are you grateful for?

Well Being: Tips for the Summer

Try something each week or look at this as a whole each week and see if changes happen? (Perhaps set yourself some intentional rest 'goals' for the weeks ahead and see how you get on?).

1. **How are you feeling?** Use two words to describe how your life feels at the moment e.g.: 'tired and weary'; 'content and curious'; 'frazzled and exhausted'. How do you view the holiday period ahead, stress inducing, an escape, a needed respite, time to draw closer to loved ones, to grow spiritually? How can you use the time to change your two words if you want to?
2. **What's your view of life today?** On a scale of 1 to 10 how would you rate your current life perspective eg: 1 = foggy, 10 = standing on a mountain top with a clear view. How might the summer help you find some time to relax, to re-orientate?
3. **Make time for you.** How much time (each day/week) do you want to dedicate to quiet time, stillness, reflection? Be specific and go for it!
4. **A rhythm of life that includes quality time for you:** How can you make quality time part of your rhythm of each day or each week - even when term begins again? Build a good habit.
5. **Make rest a priority too!** We can be very intentional about many aspects of our lives, less so about rest! What steps can you take to become more intentional about achieving the rest that you need and deserve? Hold yourself to it!
6. **Simple mindfulness.** Daily or weekly can you do something different and take time to use your senses, to reflect on sights, sounds, feelings that you might overlook in your normal, busy routine. Perhaps take a walk in a new place, sit somewhere new to have a cuppa, eat a meal or have a picnic somewhere different. How does this, including your mindful reflection, make you feel? Rejuvenated, worried, rushed, peaceful?

Emotional Literacy:

ELSA

Happy Holidays!



I sincerely hope you and your families enjoy a happy and safe summer holiday. If you should need any wellbeing or mental health support during the break please visit the ELSA support pages on the school website. The summer holidays are here and the break is a great time to think about wellbeing for the whole family. The five domains of wellbeing, **connecting**, **taking notice**, **giving**, **learning** and **being active**, remain essential to our individual happiness as we continue to move out of lockdown. Enjoy your summer safely and enjoy the things you have missed. Mrs Day.

Please find below the term dates for the forthcoming year as well as provisional key dates for the first half of the Autumn term.

Finally I do hope you all have a very enjoyable Summer and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 7th September!

Kind regards,



Helen Morley.

Key Dates: Autumn Term 2020

Date	Subject
Thursday 3 rd September	INSET DAY
Friday 4 th September	INSET DAY
Monday 7 th September	Welcome back children! New term starts
Wednesday 16 th September	Meet the teacher virtual drop in session: 3.30 and 5.00
Friday 18 th September	Virtual Shark Show and Share: 1.20
Friday 25 th September	Virtual Octopus Show and Share: 1.20
Tuesday 29 th September	Full Governors: 5.00
Thursday 1 st October	Virtual Harvest Service 2.30
Friday 2 nd October	Virtual Dolphin Show and Share: 1.20
Friday 9 th October	Virtual Starfish Show and Share: 1.20
Friday 16 th October	Virtual Seahorse Show and Share: 1.20
Monday 19 th – Friday 23 rd October	Zones of Regulation Enrichment Week
Tuesday 20 th and Wednesday 21 st October	Virtual Parents' Evenings: 3.30-6.00
Friday 23 rd October	INSET DAY
Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th November	Half term week
Monday 2 nd November	Back to School

Somerset School Terms and Holidays 2020/2021 Academic Year

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September 2020					October 2020					November 2020								
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	
W	2	9	16	23	30	W		7	14	21	28	W		4	11	18	25	
Th	3	10	17	24	Th	1	8	15	22	29	Th		5	12	19	26		
F	4	11	18	25	F	2	9	16	23	30	F		6	13	20	27		
Sa	5	12	19	26	Sa	3	10	17	24	31	Sa		7	14	21	28		
Su	6	13	20	27	Su	4	11	18	25	Su	1	8	15	22	29			
December 2020					January 2021					February 2021								
M		7	14	21	28	M		4	11	18	25	M		1	8	15	22	
Tu	1	8	15	22	29	Tu		5	12	19	26	Tu		2	9	16	23	
W	2	9	16	23	30	W		6	13	20	27	W		3	10	17	24	
Th	3	10	17	24	31	Th		7	14	21	28	Th		4	11	18	25	
F	4	11	18	25	F	1	8	15	22	29	F		5	12	19	26		
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 2021					April 2021					May 2021								
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	
W	3	10	17	24	31	W		7	14	21	28	W		5	12	19	26	
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Su	7	14	21	28	Su	4	11	18	25	Su	2	9	16	23	30			
June 2021					July 2021					August 2021								
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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Su	6	13	20	27	Su	4	11	18	25	Su	1	8	15	22	29			

Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 03 September – 23 October 2020 (37 days)
 Term 2: 02 November – 18 December 2020 (35 days)
 Term 3: 04 January – 12 February 2021 (30 days)
 Term 4: 22 February – 01 April 2021 (29 days)
 Term 5: 19 April – 28 May 2021 (29 days)
 Term 6: 07 June – 23 July 2021 (35 days)

TOTAL = 195

Bank and public holidays 2020/21

Christmas Day Bank Holiday	25 December 2020	Easter Monday	05 April 2021
Boxing Day Bank Holiday	28 December 2020*	May Day Bank Holiday	03 May 2021
New Year's Day Holiday	01 January 2021	Spring Bank Holiday	31 May 2021
Good Friday	02 April 2021	Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2021

*Replacement bank holiday day when the bank holiday falls on a weekend

Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with individual schools for their term dates