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**Newsletter 4
Autumn 2018/19**

Bishops Lydeard Church School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Respect

Endurance

Friendship

28th September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance –97.8%

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is a high priority at Bishops Lydeard Church School. We take every opportunity to ensure that our pupils' safety is paramount. We want our pupils to be healthy and happy and to develop well both physically and mentally. The school follows the latest Government Guidance to ensure we are fulfilling our duties in this important area. The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and contact at School is Mrs Tracey Trood and our Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Sarah Culverhouse. Our Safeguarding Governor is Mrs Susie Watts. The School's Safeguarding Policy and further information can be found online at <http://bishopslydeardbwmat.org/safeguarding-2/safeguarding/>. If you have any concerns about the safety of a child out of school hours you can phone Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224.

Pupil Premium

Leaflets went home this week explaining the Pupil Premium grant. Please read through and find out whether your child is entitled to free school meals. The school receives extra funding for each eligible pupil registered and the additional funding is used to improve the attainment of those pupils.

Schools Against Waste



The school welcomed Gary from Carymore Environment Centre to the school and listened with interest to how we can reduce, reuse and recycle and how our planet is being polluted by excess waste. Year 2 took part in an exciting workshop about compost and tiger worms. We had great fun playing a game that involved catching worms and we learnt all about what we can and cannot put into our compost bins. Year 4 discussed how far certain foods travelled to reach our plates. We researched the ingredients of pizzas and one group found that the individual toppings travelled a distance of 16,892 miles. We hope to follow this up by thinking about what else we can do in our school to help protect our planet.

Attendance Policy

Our updated attendance policy is now available on the school website: <http://bishopslydeardbwmat.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/09/Pupil-Attendance-Policy.pdf>

PFSA

Gaby Bellamy is our Parent & Family Support Advisor and is available to offer advice and support to families around issues and situations affecting school attendance, emotional well-being, behaviour and family life. She will be in school most Thursday mornings. Her contact details are 07825 357 623 gaby.bellamy@kingsmead-school.com

Golden rule

This week our Golden Rule was:

We respect everyone and everything in our school

Next week our Golden Rule will be: We know when to listen and when to talk.



School Council

Each class has elected two school councillors for the 2018/19 school year. Pupil participation is about developing a culture in schools where all children have a voice and the opportunity to play an active role in decisions that affect their learning and well-being. This is set out in Article 12 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

- Year 1 Matilda, William
- Year 2 Oscar
- Year 3 Renee, Tristan
- Year 4 Max, Rowan
- Year 5 Millie, Poppy
- Year 6 Daisy, Bailey

Next week they will be involved in organising food donations for our harvest festival. We will be linking this to the school's picture of the moment, *Vertumnus* by Giuseppe Arcimboldo, and will create a large sculpture.

Facebook

Posting will begin on our new Facebook page from next week. To find the page, search in 'groups' for Bishops Lydeard Church School and apply to join the group.



Football

Congratulations to Oscar and Junior who have been selected to play football for regional U7s team Saints Southwest, an affiliate of Southampton Football Club. They train in Exeter every Tuesday night and had their first match again Yeovil and Chivenor on Saturday.

Harvest Service

Parents are invited to join us for our Harvest Service at St Mary's Church, 10am on Friday 5th October.

Class Attendance Cup

This week Ladybird class won the attendance cup with 99.59% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

House Points

	This week	Overall
 Mendip	200	588
 Blackdown	162	598
 Brendon	156	470
 Quantock	146	553

Gold Book

Hedgehog

Eleanor and Leo for always tidying away equipment and respecting others' property.

Rabbit

Lily and Martha for always being respectful to everyone and everything in Rabbit Class

Fox

Jayden and Maisie have both shown excellent respect for others in the classroom and for the equipment in the classroom. They have been incredibly kind and helpful in keeping our classroom tidy!

Owl

Lily-Mae and Eva for always looking for ways to help, tidy up and respect our classroom.

Badger

Johnny for showing care and respect in class and for continually supporting the smooth running of the day – a super helper!

Dragonfly

Tilly for showing respect for the classroom and working hard to keep it tidy. Zack for showing respect to others through his actions and in the way he speaks as well as making sure things are tidied away properly.

October

- 5th Harvest Service, 10am, St Mary's Church
- 16th Parents' Evening
- 18th Parents' Evening
- 19th BLSA Autumn Disco
- 25th BLSA Sponsored Event
- 26th Inset day
- 29th Half-term week

November

- 30th BLSA Movie Night

December

- 7th Christmas carol singing at Bishops Lydeard train station
- 14th BLSA Christmas Disco

February

- 8th BLSA February Disco

March

- 29th BLSA Easter Bingo

Dates for
the Diary: