



Bishops Lydeard Church School

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'That they may have life in all its fullness' John 10:10

Respect

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25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers of Rabbit and Hedgehog Classes,

Hedgehog Class - Thank you for your understanding, kindness and well wishes as Miss Wyatt has returned to class. While it wasn't the ideal start to the year, I am thankful we have such a talented and invested team who were able to cover and support your children. Miss Wyatt was also incredibly kind and dedicated to send in planning and resources while she recovered.

Rabbit Class - Thank you again for attending the Year 1 meeting and for sharing your helpful ideas and feedback. For those who were unable to make it, please see the attached PowerPoint from Miss Collins.

Following suggestions from Rabbit Class parents, we will be making a small change to both the Rabbit and Hedgehog Class afternoon routine. Our aim is to increase movement breaks and outdoor play. We understand the benefit of this time and hope that it adds to the learning after the break. In the coming weeks we will trial the following:

- Three afternoons each week there will be a 10-minute outside break for the children.
- Collective worship will be moved to just before the end of the day on those afternoons so that learning time earlier in the afternoon can include a short movement break.
- This is a draft example of the Rabbit/Hedgehog timetable - we have put in foundation subjects as a guide (PE is on different days for your classes):

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-8:50	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration
8:50-9:00	SPaG	SPaG	SPaG	SPaG	SPaG
9:00-9:30	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics
9:30-9:45	WFA	WFA	WFA	WFA	WFA
9:45-10:30	Writing	Writing	Writing	Writing	Writing
10:30-10:45	Spelling input.	Handwriting.	Handwriting.	Handwriting/spelling.	Handwriting/spelling.
10:45-11:00	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:00-11:15	Mastering number	Mastering number	Mastering number	Mastering number	Mastering number
11:15-12:00	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
12:00-12:15	Maths Blast	Maths Blast	Maths Blast	Maths Blast	Maths Blast
12:30-1:15	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:15-1:45	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Guided Reading.	CW
1:45- 2:15	PSHE	Geography	RE	Science	PE
2:15-2:25	Collective Worship (CW) (2.30-3.00)	Afternoon play.	Afternoon Play	Afternoon play	
2:25-2:55		Computing	RE	Music.	History
2:55-3:10		CW	CW	CW	Reading for pleasure
3:10-3:15	Class book	Class book	Class book	Class book	Class book



We hope these tweaks will give the children an extra opportunity to be active and refreshed during the school day without reducing the quality of teaching and learning. We will monitor the trial closely and review its impact on learning, ensuring the new timetable does not detract from the lessons and learning outcomes. If we need to adjust the arrangement we will let you know promptly.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. If you have any questions about this change, please contact the school office or talk to Miss Collins on the door.

Best wishes

James Dakin

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