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

Respect

Endurance

Friendship

24th November 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance – 95.59%



Children enjoying our inspiring, multi-sensory maths resources, Numicon, bought with some of the generous Co-op funding.

Co-op Fundraising Celebration

You are invited to join the celebration at the Co-op tomorrow, Saturday 25th, where there will be a presentation of the money raised for the school. The fun starts at 11am with tasters of Co-op Christmas products, candy floss for the children and special guests the Chameleon Batonettes. It would be great to see lots of our children and staff there to say thank you to the Co-op and its customers for their help in raising so much money for the school. Please do come along.



Year 5 football fundraiser

Congratulations to the boys in Badger class who organised the fundraiser, manned the stall and raised over £160 to spend on new footballs and equipment.

Owl class church investigation

Owl class welcomed Huntsbill Year 3 class from St Andrews Church School for a church investigation. We were comparing the features of St Andrews Church with those from St Mary's. We sketched our favourite religious artifacts, icons and relics. Later in the year, we will be visiting St Andrews church. Both schools showed off their friendly personalities, attitudes and behaviours. Owl class were wonderful hosts and looked after their younger partners admirably.

Playtimes

We like to give the children the opportunity to exercise and get fresh air whatever the weather so please make sure your child always has a coat in school. There is a member of the senior leadership team on the playground every lunchtime. The children's behaviour this term has been exemplary. We have seen a significant improvement in friendship, games and respectful use of the playground equipment which the playground leaders use to organise games to keep many of the children engaged and stimulated.

Open Classrooms

Thank you to everyone who came to our open classroom sessions. The children loved having the opportunity to share their work with you. We hope you found it useful.

Nativity

Our Christmas Nativity will be held at St Mary's Church on 12th and 13th December. Details will be sent out next week.

Christmas disco

Discos will be held on the last Friday of term, 15th December. Letters will be sent home shortly, but format will be the same as normal. Reception and KS1: 3.30pm – 4.30pm; KS2: 4.45pm – 6.00pm, £2.50/head. Games and festive prizes to be won!



Children in Need

Congratulations to Wilf Stirzaker for his inspiring achievement walking across the Quantocks and for raising an amazing £2900! Wilf would like to thank everyone for their generous donations and messages of support.

iPad funding through the Aviva Community Fund

The School Association has submitted a bid for funding through the Aviva Community Fund to try and buy 30 iPads for pupils to use. Please add your vote at: <https://www.direct.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-4566>

Santa float

The Round Table Santa Carol Float is coming to the village on Wednesday 13 December from 6pm until 8pm. They have very generously agreed to donate all of the funds raised to the school. All we need to do is to provide the bucket shakers & door collectors! If any of you are interested in helping, please contact ruthyewarren@gmail.com. We will let you know details of the meeting place and route as soon as we have them. A massive thank you to the Round Table for their generosity!

Carol singing at the train station

Come and join us on Friday 1 December from 3.45pm – 5.15pm for a festive singalong to the trains departing for Dunster by Candlelight. This is lots of fun and a nice way to raise some funds – tinsel wearing is encouraged! Please do come along as a family - teachers will be attending but will not be responsible for the children.

BLSA meeting and Preschool Quiz Night

The next BLSA meeting will be held before the preschool quiz night at the Quantock Brewery on Saturday 9 December at 7pm. All are welcome. £3/head to join the quiz (free to just attend the meeting).

Class Attendance Cup

This week Rabbit class won the attendance cup with 99.6% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

Gold Book

- Ladybird** Logan Jones is always a good friend. Olivia Chamberlain has been counting objects carefully to 10.
- Hedgehog** Freya Martin for using capital letters and full stops in her writing. Oscar Sprangle for great reading.
- Rabbit** Caleb Lammas, Marianna Farrant and George Evens for excellent discussion about differences in our Jigsaw session. Jayden Poxon for speedy adding up in his head. Rosie Russell for great use of adverbs and commas in her story writing.
- Fox** Lucas Payne and Charlie Buckley have shown outstanding perseverance in the Maths assessments. Ina Banks and Edward How have shown superb investigative skills!
- Owl** Olivia Isles for excellent, diligent dedication to her work. While at times she has found things hard, this week she has given 100% every day and in every subject. Rosie Lambert for a fantastic turnaround in her peer work and relationships. She has been endearing towards everyone.
- Badger** Chloe Binks and Alex Apsey for their endurance and effort in maths this week. Zack Jarvis-Buckley for showing excellent resilience when faced with challenging long multiplication problems. James Evens for his fantastic attitude when writing our non-chronological reports on Ancient Greek Gods.
- Dragonfly** Wilf Stirzaker for his wonderful achievement walking six miles across the Quantocks and raising an amazing amount of money for charity. Tori Ellis for challenging herself with her writing and her maths and for always giving her best. Toby Taylor and Harvey Butler for pushing themselves to improve the quantity and quality of their writing. Aaron Allgate and Thomas Swales for their endurance and effort in maths this week.

Diary Dates

November

Friday 24th

Thursday 30th

December

Friday 1st

Saturday 9th

Tuesday 12th

Wednesday 13th

Friday 15th

BLSA Rainbow Fayre

EYFS SPTO information session, 3.15pm – 3.45pm

BLSA Carol Singing at Bishops Lydeard Railway Station

BLSA meeting and Preschool Quiz Night at Quantock Brewery, 7pm

Christmas Nativity to parents at St Mary's Church

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School Christmas Dinner / BLSA Christmas Disco

