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

Respect

Endurance

Friendship

26th January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance - 94.17%

The Great Garden Makeover



We are planning an amazing garden makeover for the space outside EYFS. We hope that the new outdoor space will incorporate many creative learning areas for the children to enjoy such as a mud kitchen; vegetable and sensory planting zones; a den building area and a shaded storytelling space. Currently this area of the school grounds is out of bounds as much of the equipment and flooring is no longer usable.

Many parents and the BLSA are already supporting the school with designs and grant funding applications to help us move this project forward. Now we need your help so that all of the children can benefit as soon as possible. On **Sunday 25th February from 11:00-3:00** we want to completely clear the outdoor area. Please come along with boots and gardening gloves. You do not need to be a keen gardener! We need people to help dismantle and move old play equipment to the skip and we need people to prune, weed and dig.

Tea, cake and bacon sandwiches will be in plentiful supply. Please come along and support this project.



Great Fire of London topic

Year 2 have been enjoying making Tudor houses as part of their learning about the Great Fire of London. We are also looking forward to having a visit from a fire safety officer next week.

Year 2 SATs

There will be an information session for parents on Tuesday 27th February, 2.30 – 3.00pm. Please save the date. Further details to follow.

Golden Mile sponsored event

The school will be taking part in the Golden Mile Challenge with each child challenging themselves to complete as much activity as they can over the week commencing 5th February. Money raised will go towards

BLSA plans for the year including replacing the IT equipment and the outside area project. Look out for sponsorship forms going home next week.

Messy Church

Please come along and join the fun at Messy Church this Saturday, 3pm – 5pm at the village hall. Free to attend with a light meal included.

Driving and parking around the school vicinity

We were grateful to have our local PCSO attend school this week to help monitor traffic activity. She will continue to attend on occasional mornings. Thank you for driving and parking carefully and helping us to keep your children safe.

Preschool Quiz Night

The next quiz will be held on Saturday 10 February at the Quantock Brewery. Do come along to this popular night out and support the local preschool. To avoid disappointment, please reserve a table for your team by going to the Preschool Facebook page.

Co-op membership cards

Our school was fortunate to receive generous funding through the Co-op membership card scheme. Now that the school is no longer one of the chosen community causes, we would like to invite you to update your membership card preferences in support of Bishops Lydeard Preschool, go to www.coop.co.uk/membership

Class Attendance Cup

This week Fox class won the attendance cup with 97.5% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

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Ladybird Logan Jones for so much great mark-making. Ciara-Leigh Slaney for confidence in class. Isabel-Rose

Mellor for taking the time to produce a chalk picture.

Hedgehog Junior Hayman has really impressed Mrs Cable with his fluent reading. Martha Reavey for coming into

school with a smile.

Rabbit Finley Beviss, Jacob Geen and Rosie Russell for writing stories at home for the 500 word challenge

and reading them to the class. Eli Machell and Seren Date for producing amazing work at home and

sharing with their class and the whole school.

Fox Francis Reavey has made an excellent improvement in joining his handwriting and has shown an

outstanding attitude in Maths when measuring length, mass and capacity. <u>Lyla Chamberlain</u> has shown a superb attitude to all of her work this week, striving to meet the greater depth challenges at

every opportunity!

Owl Olivia Isles and Lilly Gilbert for reconciling their differences and playing in harmony with each other.

Oliver McClatchie and James Russell for outstanding efforts in English. Their adapted stories are full

of good description and follow the toolkit.

Badger Sofia Roberts for her amazing and innovative story. Tyler Proctor for his wonderful story on 'How to

look after snails'.

Dragonfly Calum Davies for fantastic writing; great effort and amazing improvement. Dylan Homer for turning his

handwriting around and taking great pride in the presentation of his work. Harry Wonnacott for

increasing the amount of reading at home.

Diary Dates

February

12th – 16th Half-term

22nd NSPCC Speak out Stay Safe

25th Garden clearance, 11.00am – 3.00pm

26th First Aid Week

27th Year 2 SATS information session, 2.30 – 3.00pm

March

1st 3.30pm, NSPCC workshop for parents – online safety

