

# **Bishops Lydeard**

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# Newsletter 21 Spring 2017/18

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

Respect

**Endurance** 

Friendship

16<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### Current Whole School Attendance - 94.58%

## Keeping children safe. NSPCC

A big thank you to the NSPCC who came into school and delivered workshops to children in both years 5 and 6, and provided an internet safety awareness session after school. Over the next few weeks your child will find out more about the NSPCC's PANTS rules. These are designed to teach pupils how to stay safe, without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. The lessons will be fully age-appropriate. More information about talking PANTS, including a short film and a parent guide can be found at nspcc.org.uk/pants. Well done to everyone who took part in Buddy's Marvellous Maths Challenge and thank you for your donations and sponsorship.

Also a thank you to Poppy for organising a successful cake sale and to everyone who baked, donated, bought and enjoyed cakes in aid of the Somerset and Devon air ambulance service. The last of our first aid training sessions for the children will take place next week (postponed due to snow days!). Thank you to the BLSA for organising such an engaging and worthwhile week of first aid activities for all of the children. Look out on the website for photos.





### Flit Flap Fly

Ladybird visited Taunton School to watch a performance by the early years theatre company Hopper. 'Flit, Flap, Fly' was a very engaging and interactive show which was based around the friendship between two birds. Following on from this Ladybird class used their creative skills to make their own wings.



#### Bristol Zoo

Owl and Fox class had an amazing visit to Bristol Zoo. They saw incredible species of animals from all over the world and were challenged to find where the animals are on the IUCN conservation lists. Behaviour was excellent and both classes found the day incredibly rewarding.





#### Lost property

We have lots of winter coats, jumpers and other items of uniform in the lost property boxes. If your child has lost something, please do come and have a look through.

# **Online Safety**

Please help us to keep your child safe when online or using social media. Did you know that to be eligible to sign up for Snapchat, you must be at least 13 years old? Parents should use the following link if they would like more information <a href="https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/social-media-help/snapchat">https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/social-media-help/snapchat</a>



## **Sports Festival**

On Friday 9th March, Fox Class attended an indoor athletics festival at Kingsmead School where the students of Kingsmead taught the children a range of skills. These included using a chest pass to throw a ball, hurdling, jumping and running. The children were complimented by the organiser of the event for their outstanding teamwork and support for each other.

# Parents Evenings 24th and 25th April

Please save the date.



### **County Chess success**

Congratulations to Finley and Amarra who were selected to play for the Somerset U9 Chess team at the South England county tournament. 122 children participated from six different counties with a very strong Sussex team winning. Well done to Amarra who won a medal for her individual performance. Congratulations also to Berry and Anna for being selected to represent the Somerset U11 chess team and good luck!

# Class Attendance Cup

This week Rabbit class won the attendance cup with 99.2% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

## Reminders!

Easter bingo tonight – please do come along for a great evening of family entertainment and chocolate!

Please do join us for our Easter service in St Mary's church at 10am on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Next Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> is an inset day.

Have a wonderful and enjoyable Easter break. We return to school on Monday 9th April

**Gold Book** 

Ladybird William Chalkley for independently writing a story about the alphabet. Eleanor Ashcroft for very neat

handwriting. Arabella Carr for making her writing clear by grouping words and using finger spaces.

Joe Moore for quick recall of doubles.

**Hedgehog** Lily Davies for taking such pride in her work to make it neat and tidy. Grace Bond for great work in

maths this week.

Rabbit Maddison Fouracre for excellent work in phonics this term. James Hayes, Evie Chilcott, Rosie Russell

and Eli Machell for excellent reading at home.

Fox All of the children in Fox class have worked superbly in Maths this week, telling and writing the time

from an analogue, 12 and 24-hour clock. In one of our lessons this week, the children worked brilliantly in small teams to create their own clocks using a hoop, number cards and paper hands and were able

to write the time their clock showed.

**Owl** An adult helper wrote the following in a card to the children after our Bristol Zoo Trip: Poppy

<u>Potter</u> was incredibly helpful on the journey, <u>Taylor Richards</u> ALWAYS held the door open for people and was a gentleman, <u>Johnny Farrant</u> remembered and displayed impeccable manners with the adults we met during the day and Olivia Isles was polite to everyone she met, including the general public.

Badger Dragonfly <u>Alfie Ashworth</u> for his amazing 'Rainbow Serpent' poem – complete with real snake skin! Fantastic! <u>Tori Ellis</u> and <u>Toby Taylor</u> for a fantastic piece of discussion writing and for working consistently hard all half term. Gracie Phillips for working consistently hard this half term and for making great progress.

#### **Diary Dates**

March

16<sup>th</sup> Easter Bingo

22<sup>nd</sup> Easter Service, St Marys Church 10am

23<sup>rd</sup> Inset day 26<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> April Easter holidays

April

13<sup>th</sup> Spring Disco

16<sup>th</sup> BLSA meeting, contact <u>ruthyewarren@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in coming along!

24<sup>th</sup> Parents evening 25<sup>th</sup> Parents evening

May

2<sup>nd</sup> Charterhouse meeting for parents, 6pm

