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

Respect

Endurance

Friendship

18 May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance – 94.82%



Chess News

On Sunday 13th May we sent our tournament winners to Millfield school for the Delancey Somerset Mega Finals. The competition was organised by Millfield's very own chess coach, Grand Master Mathew Turner. Competition was fierce but Berry, Anna, Amarra, Finley, Oscar and Jacob battled brilliantly!

Anna achieved a 3rd place in the U11s.

Amarra achieved a 2nd best girl in the U9s.

Finley won the U7 category becoming the U7 Supremo for Somerset.

Oscar achieved 2nd place in the U7s.

Jacob achieved 3rd place in the U7s.

Well done to all as I know you have all been putting in extra practise! Special congratulations to Anna, Finley, Oscar and Jacob who have been invited to attend the Giga Finals at Twickenham. That means you have six weeks to pack in as much practice as possible and remember: "Hard work beats talent, when talent doesn't work hard!"

Well done Declan!

Many congratulations to Declan Payne, Year 5, who has been signed by the Southampton FC Regional Under 11s team and

will be playing all over the country in the Junior Premership! He has been attending their weekly academy and was accepted on to the Under 11s team after just one trial. Congratulations Declan on this wonderful achievement and fantastic opportunity for the future.



Dragonfly class

Dragonfly Class have been superstars all week: working incredibly hard on all their SATs papers and being really positive. All the adults who have worked with them have been impressed with their fantastic attitude and enormous effort. We are incredibly proud of them. The end of SATs was celebrated with cake, weeding, shed tidying, building new football goals and a fantastic DVD and duvet day!



JIGSAW

As a school we have been using a PSHE scheme called Jigsaw. The scheme brings together personal, social, health and economic education, emotional literacy, social skills and spiritual development in a weekly lesson.

It is a whole school approach and it provides a 'mindful' approach to PSHE. Each week classes have a dedicated Jigsaw session that begins with the ringing of a chime and everyone focussing on their breathing. It aims to create a relaxed and safe environment so children feel empowered to speak about the ever-changing world and their role within it.

Calming technique

Sit in a chair and place both feet on the ground. Keeping a straight back, close your eyes, place your hands on your tummy and breathe in through your nose and out through your mouth. Continue to breathe gently in and out until your shoulders relax and you feel calm.

The children all enjoy their Jigsaw sessions and have learnt to use many of the calming and relaxation techniques in other areas of their learning. We have included one of these techniques below. Please continue to look at class pages on the website as these will have Jigsaw updates over the next few days.

Year 1 Phonics Information Session

Year 1 parents are invited to an information session on Wednesday 23rd May at 2.40pm. Mrs Cable will explain the Year 1 phonics screening due to take place in the second week after half-term. Please do come along.

GB Athletes Visit

On Thursday 24th May, we will be visited by Welsh Athletics Champion Adele Nicoll and European Throwing Champion Jac Palmer. These athletes will talk to the whole school in an assembly and then lead a half an hour PE lesson for each class.

Bishops Lydeard Library

Somerset County Council is considering closing Bishops Lydeard Library and replacing it with a mobile library van. The consultation can be found online at www.somersetlibraries.co.uk/consultation. A group of children will be completing surveys in school giving their views.

School fete, Saturday 9th June

A letter was sent home this week listing the many ways in which you can help make our annual summer fete a success. You can also view the letter on our website. Your support is what makes the fete such a brilliant and profitable event. Please help if you can. Many thanks.

Auction of Promises

The annual Auction of Promises is now LIVE! We have fantastic items for you to bid on with more items to come. Thanks to everyone who has contributed. Now get bidding on some bargains! The online auction finishes on 7th June and is finalised at the fete on 9th June. <https://auctionofpromises.com/auctionread.aspx?a=3201> or go to www.auctionofpromises.com and search for 'Bishops Lydeard School Fete 2018'

Environment Day, Friday 8th June

This year, we are linking the BLSA dress down day with our celebrations for World Environment Day. We invite children to come dressed in green on Friday 8th June and to bring an empty plastic milk bottle with which to create an entry for the Bishops Lydeard Flower Show. We would be grateful if you could also bring in donations for the school fete: we are asking KS1 children to bring in chocolate for the chocolate tombola and KS2 children to bring a can, packet or bottle for the grocery tombola. Many thanks for your support.

Every Minute Counts

Child 'A' reads 1 minute each day	Child 'B' reads 5 minutes each day	Child 'C' reads 20 minutes each day
180 minutes in a school year	900 minutes in a school year	3,600 minutes in a school year
8,000 words	282,000 words	1,800,000 words



Playground Politics

Listen again to some of our year 5 pupils on BBC Radio Somerset at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p065qxyg>

Headlice

We have some cases of headlice in school. Please remember to check your child's hair regularly.

Class Attendance Cup

This week Owl class won the attendance cup with 95.19% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

Reading

Please remember to hear your child read at least five times a week. Five short sessions of reading is best. Please continue to use the comprehension questions given to you at parents' evening to support your child with their reading as this will help them to develop their understanding of books and words.

Gold Book

Ladybird

Isabel-Rose Mellor, Leo Garnsworthy, Hannah Dixon, William Chalkley and Romilly Allen for practising their spellings in preparation for Year 1.

Hedgehog

Kaden and Oscar Sprangle for their wonderfully brave and impressive delivery of a personal story during Show and Tell. Charlie Guise for working really hard in our topic lesson and producing a fantastic piece of writing about China.

Rabbit

Evie Chilcott for consistently good reading at home; Maisie Homer for a huge improvement in maths work. Max Phillips and Lily Cable for writing imaginative stories.

Fox

Oliver Coombes has shown a superb enthusiasm in PE in the last few weeks. He has really improved his technique in throwing a Nerf howler. Alice Lewis has made some very sensible contributions in our Jigsaw lessons over the last few weeks. She has understood and explained how not all things originate from this country.

Owl

Lucie Pickup for showing amazing resilience this week. She has been calm, patient and a great worker for Mrs Constance. James Russell for excellent behaviour in class. He has been combining his natural kindness with good learning choices.

Badger

Helena Goldsworthy and Tilly Kennedy for their excellent work on percentages – well done.

Dragonfly

All of Dragonfly Class for endurance and a positive attitude this week. Really proud of you all.

Diary Dates

May

- 18th BLSA Movie Night
- 18th Year 4 Saxon Day at the Museum of Somerset
- 22nd Year 3 Saxon Day at the Museum of Somerset
- 23rd Phonics information session for Year 1 parents, 2.40pm
- 24th GB athletes visiting school
- 28th Half-term week

June

- 8th Environment Day, BLSA dress down day, donations for school fete
- 9th Summer fete
- 22nd Summer disco
- 28th Blue bags collection
- 29th BLSA meeting

July

- 10th Sports Day



Dates for
the Diary:

Somerset School Terms and Holidays 2018/2019 Academic Year

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September 2018						October 2018						November 2018						
M		3	10	17	24	M		1	8	15	22	29	M		5	12	19	26
Tu		4	11	18	25	Tu		2	9	16	23	30	Tu		6	13	20	27
W		5	12	19	26	W		3	10	17	24	31	W		7	14	21	28
Th		6	13	20	27	Th		4	11	18	25		Th	1	8	15	22	29
F		7	14	21	28	F		5	12	19	26		F	2	9	16	23	30
Sa	1	8	15	22	29	Sa		6	13	20	27		Sa	3	10	17	24	
Su	2	9	16	23	30	Su		7	14	21	28		Su	4	11	18	25	
December 2018						January 2019						February 2019						
M		3	10	17	24	31	M		7	14	21	28	M		4	11	18	25
Tu		4	11	18	25		Tu	1	8	15	22	29	Tu		5	12	19	26
W		5	12	19	26		W	2	9	16	23	30	W		6	13	20	27
Th		6	13	20	27		Th	3	10	17	24	31	Th		7	14	21	28
F		7	14	21	28		F	4	11	18	25		F	1	8	15	22	
Sa	1	8	15	22	29		Sa	5	12	19	26		Sa	2	9	16	23	
Su	2	9	16	23	30		Su	6	13	20	27		Su	3	10	17	24	
March 2019						April 2019						May 2019						
M		4	11	18	25	M		1	8	15	22	29	M		6	13	20	27
Tu		5	12	19	26	Tu		2	9	16	23	30	Tu		7	14	21	28
W		6	13	20	27	W		3	10	17	24		W		1	8	15	22
Th		7	14	21	28	Th		4	11	18	25		Th		2	9	16	23
F	1	8	15	22	29	F		5	12	19	26		F		3	10	17	24
Sa	2	9	16	23	30	Sa		6	13	20	27		Sa		4	11	18	25
Su	3	10	17	24	31	Su		7	14	21	28		Su		5	12	19	26
June 2019						July 2019						August 2019						
M		3	10	17	24	M		1	8	15	22	29	M		5	12	19	26
Tu		4	11	18	25	Tu		2	9	16	23	30	Tu		6	13	20	27
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Sa	1	8	15	22	29	Sa		6	13	20	27		Sa	3	10	17	24	31
Su	2	9	16	23	30	Su		7	14	21	28		Su	4	11	18	25	

Key:

	School holiday
	Bank holiday
	Term time
	Inset Day

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 03 September – 26 October 2018 (40 days)
 Term 2: 05 November – 21 December 2018 (35 days)
 Term 3: 07 January – 15 February 2019 (30 days)
 Term 4: 25 February – 05 April 2019 (30 days)
 Term 5: 23 April – 24 May 2019 (23 days)
 Term 6: 03 June – 23 July 2019 (37 days)

TOTAL = 195

Bank and public holidays 2018/2019

Christmas Day Bank Holiday	25 December 2018	Easter Monday	22 April 2019
Boxing Day Bank Holiday	26 December 2018	May Day Bank Holiday	06 May 2019
New Year's Day Holiday	01 January 2019	Spring Bank Holiday	27 May 2019
Good Friday	19 April 2019	Summer Bank Holiday	26 August 2019

Anticipated start date for the 2019/2020 academic year: 02 September 2019

The Local Authority will consult on prospective dates for the 2019-20 academic year and the finalised dates will be published in April 2018