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

Respect

Endurance

Friendship

3rd November 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance – 95.29%

Ladybird Class Trip

On Wednesday, Ladybird Class was invited to Taunton School to watch a performance called A Square World. It was presented by Daryl Beeton and addressed the issue of not fitting in. This was done through light, music, voice and shape with very little actual speech. All of the children were able to follow the story without it being read verbally, they were engaged from start to finish and understood the deeper message within it. The performance was very powerful and will be used during our Anti-Bullying Week.



Parents' evening

Parents' evenings will take place on the following dates and times. Class teachers will have sign-up sheets on the playground in the mornings and afternoons from Monday. If you are unable to sign up in the morning/afternoon then please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Tuesday 14 November 5.00pm – 7.30pm

Wednesday 15 November 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Anti-Bullying Week 2017, Monday 13th – Friday 17th November

During this week the whole school will be taking part in a variety of activities to help us celebrate what makes us All Different All Equal. We will be having a whole school focus on anti-bullying, building friendships and respect for ourselves, each other and everyone.

We will 'kick off' the week on **Monday 13th** with **Odd Socks Day**. It's an opportunity for children to express themselves and appreciate individuality. All they have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school, it couldn't be simpler!

Open Classrooms

We would like to invite all parents into school to view the work your children have been doing and to share the outcomes of our anti-bullying week during our Open Classroom events.

Monday 20 November 2.40 – 3.10pm

Year 6

Tuesday 21 November 2.40 – 3.10pm

Year 2 and Year 5

Wednesday 22 November 2.40 – 3.10pm

Reception, Year 1, Year 3

Thursday 23 November 2.40 – 3.10pm

Year 4

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. This will enhance current learning opportunities in a variety of ways but we need YOUR VOTES! Please go to <https://www.direct.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-4566> One click is all we need from you! Thank you.

Christmas Cards

Each child has designed their own Christmas card and has received their free sample card this week along with an order form for more cards, gift tags, mugs, cotton shopping bags and teatowels, all with your child's own design printed on them. The deadline for orders is Wednesday 15th November so please return your order form and cheque (payable to BLSA) or exact cash (in envelope) to the office ASAP. These make lovely gifts as well as supporting your school. There will be a display of sample cards/gifts by the school office so feel free to take a look.

Thank you to everyone who ordered a KS1 teatowel. They are being sent home in bookbags this week. We have sold an amazing 118 so far. If you have not yet ordered and would like to do so, final deadline for orders is end of Monday 6th November.



Poppy Appeal

Next week members of the School Council will be going to all the classrooms on a daily basis to collect contributions for the poppy appeal. Please see the image for the merchandise on offer and the suggested donation amount. Thank you.

Clubs

After school clubs will start next week, from Monday 6 November.

Class Attendance Cup

This week Ladybird class won the attendance cup with 98.32% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

Gold Book

Ladybird

Carys Anthony for being proud of her own learning, particularly writing sounds in phonics! Leo Garnsworthy and Dylan Broad for becoming good friends and learning from each other when playing. Arabella Carr for writing her name and remembering to start on the left of the page. Isabel-Rose Mellor for moving to red level reading books, super sounding out!

Hedgehog

Dylan Parks, Eliza Gibbs and Matilda Hill for beautiful writing of the story 'Where the Wild Things Are'.

Rabbit

Oscar Lovell for challenging himself in maths and trying to complete the tasks. Daisy Adams for being extremely helpful in the classroom. Max Phillips for taking care and pride in his written presentation. Sonny Barnes for great independent editing of punctuation in his written work.

Fox

William Timms has worked superbly in maths, working systematically to solve problems involving addition of three digit numbers. Harry Williams has worked extremely hard in maths and has been very impressive when working independently on the greater depth challenges.

Owl

Milo O'Sullivan for astonishing maths endurance. He found Mr Dakin's challenge deviously tricky but stuck with it, using lots of resources to help him. Isabella Apsey for being assiduous in her handwriting. She has been practising so hard to make huge improvements.

Badger

Lily-Mae Wright for giving up her own time to help sort out lots of resources for Mrs Parks. Chloe Binks for showing her wonderful writing talents during our cold write of a 'defeat the monster' tale.

Dragonfly

Emily Cable and Gracie Phillips for helping the children in Ladybird class become independent. You are very caring and are good role models. Shelley Santos for a superb map of Athens in Ancient Greece. Erin Smith for great partner work in topic. Thomas Swales, Aaron Allgate and Harrison Davies for great effort in division work.

Dates for
the Diary:

Diary Dates

November

Thursday 9th

13th – 17th

Monday 13th

Tuesday 14th

Wednesday 15th

Monday 20th

Tuesday 21st

Wednesday 22nd

Thursday 23rd

Friday 24th

December

Friday 1st

Tuesday 12th

Wednesday 13th

Friday 15th

September 2018 Intake Open Morning 9.10am - 10.10am & 11.00am - 12.00pm

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Odd Socks Day

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Open Classroom Year 6, 2.40pm – 3.10pm

Open Classroom Year 2, Year 5, 2.40pm – 3.10pm

Open Classroom Reception, Year 1, Year 3, 2.40pm – 3.10pm

Open Classroom Year 4, 2.40pm – 3.10pm

BLSA Rainbow Fayre

BLSA Carol Singing at Bishops Lydeard Railway Station

Christmas Nativity to parents at St Mary's Church

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School Christmas Dinner / BLSA Christmas Disco

Yours sincerely,



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Headteacher

