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

Respect

Endurance

Friendship

5th October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance – 97.51%

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Harvest Service this morning.

Following last week's Parent Forum, the School Council will be doing a survey of what clubs our children would like us to provide. The school staff have responded positively to the request in the Summer Term from parents for the school to offer more clubs so we are disappointed that we have very few children attending these clubs. There are still places available for most clubs if your child is interested in joining in.

All the schools in the Bath and Wells Multi Academy Trust have been given a large board to decorate in commemoration of Remembrance Day. These will be displayed in Wells Cathedral from 29th October – 16th November for visitors to see. We thought this would be a really good opportunity to involve everyone in the school community. **Next Thursday, 11th October, we would like to invite parents or other family members to come into school at 2:50pm to make poppies with your children and make one of your own.** You are welcome to bring in your own materials but we will provide everything you need. If you have more than one child at our school, the oldest will go to the youngest's class.



Tea towels

As part of our fundraising this term, the children in Fox, Owl, Badger and Dragonfly classes have designed a brilliant **self portrait tea towel**. It will make a lovely gift for family and friends while also raising money for the school. As the tea towels will be printed to order, please return order forms and payment to the office by end of Monday 8th October. Orders will not be accepted after this date. Last year's tea towel (from EYFS/KS1 classes) is in the office if you would like to take a look before ordering. The cost of each single tea towel is £4 with a special price of £10 if you order 3 towels. Thank you very much and we hope you like them!

School Photos

The school photographer will be in school on Thursday 11th October for individual and sibling portraits. If you would like preschool children to be photographed with their older siblings please come to the school hall at 8.30am.

Parents' Evenings

Tuesday 16th October, 3.30 - 6.30pm

Thursday 18th October 3.30 - 6.30pm

Sign-up sheets for appointments will be in classrooms from Monday morning. Or you can ring the office after 9.30am.

After-school clubs

To help keep children safe, please note that the school gates will be kept shut between 3.30pm and 4.10pm.

Facebook

We are really pleased with the great response to our new Facebook page. Over 50% of our families have already signed up. It is another good way for us to communicate what is happening in school. We will be adding information about what your children will be learning each week in Maths and English to the newsletter and the Facebook page. You can find the closed group by searching in 'groups' for Bishops Lydeard Church School. If you would like your child's photos/work to feature on Facebook then please make sure you have signed and returned the permission form that was sent out. Letters are available on our website or please ask at the office for another copy.

Golden rule

This week our Golden Rule was: We know when to listen and when to talk.

Next week our Golden Rule will be: We are always polite and well mannered.

Messy Church

You are invited to join in the fun at Messy Church this Saturday, 3-5pm, at the village hall. Free of charge, a light meal will be provided. All welcome.

Maths and English updates

- Ladybird** Next week we will be learning to:
- work as part of a team; listening to other people's ideas and finding a compromise if a conflict of interest arises
 - label illustrations and diagrams using phonics sounds
 - select the correct numeral to match a quantity of objects, 1-10 and then 11-20
- Weekly objectives for EYFS will also be available on SPTO online learning journeys.
- Hedgehog** In Maths we will be learning about 3D shapes and their properties. In English we will be working on our story writing.
- Rabbit** Next week we are learning about instructions and about How to Trap An Elf in English. We will start addition and subtraction in Maths.
- Fox** In English we are going to be learning how to write a non-chronological report, the theme of which will link to our previous work on dragons and other monsters designed by the children. In Maths, we will be beginning our work on addition and subtraction, with a focus on mental strategies for adding ones, tens and hundreds to 3-digit numbers.
- Badger** In English we will be innovating our own story of the Gurt Wurm. In Maths, we will be working on place value to a million and then moving on to negative numbers.
- Dragonfly** Next week we will be learning about negative numbers in Maths and how to find the difference between positive and negative numbers and how to calculate with them. In English we are continuing to work on developing comprehension skills in reading and using the text to find answers and evidence. We will also be writing our own defeating the monster story making sure we use a range of different openers and detailed description.

Class Attendance Cup

This week Ladybird class won the attendance cup with 100% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

House Points

	This week	Overall
 Blackdown	407	1005
 Brendon	387	857
 Mendip	220	808
 Quantock	199	752

Gold Book

- Ladybird** Sophia for always being ready to learn because she is a super listener. Daniel for following and understanding instructions first time.
- Hedgehog** Romilly for always caring for others and saying kind and encouraging things. Arabella for always being polite and saying please and thank you and using kind words to others.
- Rabbit** Lexi and Amelia for being fantastic listeners in Rabbit Class, not only to the teachers but to the other children and any adults who work with us.
- Fox** Seren and Marianna have both shown respect to everyone and everything in school. They are polite, kind and I have been particularly impressed with how they have helped others when they are finding things tricky. They have also shown respect to their environment, by helping me to keep our classroom clean and tidy! Thank you!
- Owl** Ina and Alice for diligent listening when it is time to learn.
- Badger** Jack for always listening and giving 100%.
- Dragonfly** Callum for really working hard to know when to talk and when to listen. He is often one of the first to be ready to listen and has made a real effort to focus on talk for learning. Great improvement!
Esther and Alice for always being among the first to be ready at the start of a lesson, always listening carefully so that they can get the most from their learning and always staying on task when talking.

October

- 11th Poppy making, families and children, 2.50pm
 11th School photographer
 16th Parents' Evening
 18th Parents' Evening
 19th BLSA Autumn Disco
 25th BLSA Sponsored Event
 26th Inset day
 29th Half-term week

November

- 30th BLSA Movie Night

December

- 7th Christmas carol singing at Bishops Lydeard train station
 14th BLSA Christmas Disco

February

- 8th BLSA February Disco

March

- 29th BLSA Easter Bingo

