



# Bishops Lydeard

Church School

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

**Respect**

**Endurance**

**Friendship**

## Staying Safe

- If you have a Child Protection (Safeguarding) concern, please see a Safeguarding Lead (Mrs Trood or Mrs Culverhouse) or ring Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224
- If you notice a Health & Safety concern, please report it to Mrs Trood or Mrs Fillingham
- We have children with nut allergies so please remember our school is a nut free school
- Mobile phones must not be used within the school grounds
- If you drive your children to school, please park responsibly on the surrounding roads

7<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Current Whole School Attendance –95.39%**

There has been a lot going on in school this week as you can see from the pieces below, both an MP and the radio visiting - wow!

We had a fire alarm drill on Monday. The children immediately left their classes and were all on the playground and accounted for within 2 minutes 30 seconds. Imagine the surprise of the children and all the staff when the fire alarm went off again as they were going out to play on Thursday. Again, there was no fuss and everyone was accounted for very quickly. This was not a drill but toast burning!

We have had parents and children looking around the school this week as they look to choose their school for September. If you know anyone who has missed the open mornings but have children due to start school in September please let them know we are always happy to show people around our school.

Please look out for the all the events around Christmas at the school and church. We look forward to seeing you there. Have a lovely weekend. Tracey Trood



## Internet Legends Assembly

Last week, we were visited by Parent Zone who, in association with Google, talked to our KS2 children about being 'Internet Legends'. Taunton Deane MP, Rebecca Pow, also came to visit us to share the work she is doing around internet safety. She was so impressed with our children that she asked if she could come back again to discuss British Values and debating.



### **BBC Radio Somerset**

This week BBC radio Somerset interviewed some year 5 pupils for their daily show of 'Playground Politics'. The children spoke about their views on Brexit and what matters to them in the world. All of the children spoke confidently and knowledgeably.

### **KS2 Carol Service**

Please join us for the Key Stage 2 Carol Service on Wednesday evening at St Mary's Church. 6.00 – 7.00pm. Children taking part in the service can arrive from 5.45pm to meet with their teacher and prepare. We look forward to seeing as many of the school community as possible. Thank you to St Mary's Church for their continued support and for the use of the church for our carol service and nativity.

### **Open the Book**

On Monday our visitors told us the story of The Big Spender. We all enjoyed the story about the father and his two sons and some of us helped with the drama

### **Christingle Service**

St Mary's Church is holding a christingle service on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Children can make their own christingles from 3.30pm before the service at 4pm. Everyone welcome.

### **For the attention of all parents/carers with a child due to start school in September 2019**

If your child is due to start school for the first time (born between 01/09/2014 and 31/08/2015) then it is very important you make an on time school place application.

**Deadline for primary admissions 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019.** To download the primary booklet for parents, to make an online application and for further information please visit [www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions)

### **Lego club**

We have so much fun in Lego club on a Monday lunch time!

### **Choir and Dance club performance**

Parents of children who attend choir and dance after-school clubs are invited to a short performance at 3.50pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Please do come along!



### **Pre-school Christmas Quiz**

Come along to the popular quiz at the Quantock Brewery on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm for an 8pm start. Book a table via the Preschool Facebook page or call Emma on 432676.

### **Maths and English updates**

<b>Ladybird</b>	In maths we will be working on Christmas number problems. In English we will be reading and writing simple sentences.
<b>Hedgehog</b>	In maths next week we are learning about working systematically to add numbers. In English, we are writing Mary's diary with a focus on learning the days of the week.
<b>Rabbit</b>	Next week in English we will be writing a Christmas diary from Mary's point of view. In maths we will continue with work using money.
<b>Fox</b>	In English next week, we are learning to create our own Christmas poems. In Maths, we will be beginning to use formal written methods for division.
<b>Owl</b>	Next week we are learning about and creating our own Christmas poems, focusing on creating atmosphere and joy in our writing. In Maths we are continuing with our multiplication problems by solving word challenges.
<b>Badger</b>	In English we will be looking at writing our newspaper reports about the London Blitz. In Maths we will be continuing with area and perimeter and developing our skills of using bar modelling to answer word problems.
<b>Dragonfly</b>	Next week we are continuing our work on fractions and in literacy we are going to write a newspaper report on the Blitz as part of our World War 2 topic.

### **Class Attendance Cup**

This week Fox 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	258	923
 Quantock	248	777
 Brendon	218	989
 Mendip	186	801

## **Gold Book**

This week the golden rule was: We show endurance in our learning and in our efforts to succeed together.

Next week the golden rule will be: We show friendship – being kind and gentle with each other.

### **Ladybird**

Lily for super effort in handwriting. Nicole for reading a whole book to mum. Hannah for being a helpful big sister.

### **Hedgehog**

Matilda for endurance and determination to succeed in reading. She never gives up even when she meets new words that are harder to read. Ella for her determination to learn the songs for our nativity and singing them with such enthusiasm.

### **Rabbit**

Sophia for persevering with her written work and writing a diary. George and Junior for perseverance with all their maths money work.

### **Fox**

Max has been superb this week in displaying every golden rule! I have been particularly impressed with his effort and endurance in all of his work!

### **Owl**

Henry and Charlie have shown tremendous resilience in their learning this week. They are producing more high quality work.

### **Badger**

Josh for always showing endurance in his learning.

### **Dragonfly**

Tyler for showing fantastic endurance in all his work this term. Ethan for fantastic effort and endurance in remembering capital letters which is the icing on the cake of his superb writing. Jay for great effort and endurance in remembering capital letters and full stops. He always has such fantastic ideas and amazing writing - it is lovely to see all of that lovely work correctly punctuated.

## **December**

7 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas carol singing at Bishops Lydeard train station
11 <sup>th</sup>	Choir and Dance after-school clubs performance, 3.50pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Nativity at St Mary's Church, 2-3pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Carol Service at St Mary's Church, 6-7pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Nativity at St Mary's Church, 2-3pm
14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day
14 <sup>th</sup>	BLSA Christmas Disco
18 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Dinner
19 <sup>th</sup>	Charity sale, 2.45 – 3.15pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	Christmas decoration workshop, 9am. Families welcome.
21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of term

## **January**

7 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
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