



Bishops Lydeard

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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

Change of date: Please note that the February INSET day will now be on Monday 25th February 2019.

14th December 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance –95.27%

We have had a very festive week!

The nativity - Christmas with the Aliens - was very enjoyable. I particularly admired those who were shy to begin with before discovering they quite enjoyed an audience and really went for it! The microphone action improved as they worked out how close to get for the best sound. I think the song 'Star is Shining' will stay in my head for a few days, although I prefer that to Baby Shark!

The Carol Service was extremely touching. The Church was packed. The singing was beautiful from children and adults alike. I really admire the confidence of those who spoke and sang solos. A lovely evening.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

As part of the school development plan, I have booked some whole school training in February. Unfortunately, this could not be booked on the current INSET day (15th February) therefore the new INSET day will be Monday 25th February. I do apologise for this change but it is really important for the school to receive quality whole school training on its ongoing journey of improvement.

Next week we have a Christmas dinner, party games and don't forget to join us for the charity sale on Wednesday afternoon and to make Christmas Decorations on Friday morning. Have a good weekend. Tracey Trood



Outdoor learning

Ladybird Class have been learning how to represent the Christmas story in different ways. During outdoor education on Wednesday they created a giant angel and star!

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 15th 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

The School Council proudly present

A Christmas Sale

Wednesday 19th December
2:45 - 3:15

EACH CLASS WILL BE MAKING AND SELLING ITEMS TO
RAISE MONEY FOR THE CHARITIES CHOSEN BY CHILDREN

STAND UP TO CANCER **HELP for HEROES**

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING LOTS OF YOU THERE!

Scarlet fever

We have had a few cases of scarlet fever in school. Please see attached for information and advice from Public Health England. If your child has scarlet fever they are allowed back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotic treatment. We can administer prescribed medicines in school. Please ask at the school office.

Pre-school Christmas Quiz

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


Maths and English updates

Ladybird	Our English and maths will be linked to designing, making and selling items for the charity sale.
Hedgehog	In English we have been working on diary writing, using capital letters for days of the week and joining sentences with the connective 'and'. In maths we have started learning to measure using centimetres and we will continue to work on addition and subtraction.
Rabbit	Next week we will be continuing with our Christmas diaries and having fun with Christmas maths.
Fox	In English and Maths next week, we will be embracing the festive period! In English, we will continue our work on writing Christmas themed poems and in maths, we will be solving Christmas themed problems.
Owl	Next week, Owl class are investigating Roman Numerals and in English we are improving and polishing our handwriting skills. We are also enjoying a very creative Christmas craft week.
Badger	In English we will be creating final copies of our newspaper reports and enjoying Christmas word searches, poems etc. In maths we will be looking at long multiplication and having fun with some Christmas maths.
Dragonfly	Next week we will apply our newspaper writing skills to festive newspaper reports. In maths we will be learning about co-ordinates, translation and how to draw angles and triangles using a protractor.

Class Attendance Cup

This week Badger class won the attendance cup with 99.13% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

House Points

	This week	Overall
 Quantock	160	937
 Mendip	156	957
 Brendon	127	1116
 Blackdown	116	1039

Gold Book

This week the golden rule was: We show friendship – being kind and gentle with each other.

Next week the golden rule will be: We use language that is considerate and encouraging to others.

Ladybird Lincoln for helping his friends sing our nativity songs. Molly for helping others get dressed for the Nativity

Hedgehog Fletcher for his sense of fun and always being a good friend to others. Arabella for being always being kind and supportive to others.

Rabbit Sofie for always being mindful of others. Ellis for setting the right example to his friends.

Fox Ruby and Scarlett are kind, thoughtful members of Fox class, rarely without a smile on their faces and are friendly to all!

Owl Edward and Ryan have been kind and supportive both in class and while playing on the playground.

Badger Milo, Oliver W, Charlotte, Sophie H, Claudia and Elle always show friendship and kindness.

Dragonfly Esther and Lily-Mae for looking out for others, being gentle with others in the way they talk and caring about how others are feeling.

December

14 th	BSA Christmas Disco
18 th	Christmas Dinner
19 th	Charity sale, 2.45 – 3.15pm
21 st	Christmas decoration workshop, 9am. Families welcome.
21 st	Last day of term

January

7th Back to school

February

18th Half-term week
25th Inset day
26th Back to school





Dear parent / guardian,

We have been informed that a number of children who attend your child's school have been diagnosed with suspected/confirmed scarlet fever.

Although scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, it should be treated with antibiotics to minimise the risk of complications and reduce the spread to others.

The **symptoms** of scarlet fever include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. This is followed by a fine red rash which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. On more darkly-pigmented skin, the scarlet rash may be harder to spot, but it should feel like 'sandpaper'. The face can be flushed red but pale around the mouth.

If you think you, or your child, have scarlet fever:

- See your GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible
- Make sure that you/your child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor.
- Stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for **at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment**, to avoid spreading the infection.

Complications

Children who have had **chickenpox** recently are more likely to develop more serious infection during an outbreak of scarlet fever and so parents should remain vigilant for symptoms such as a persistent high fever, cellulitis (skin infection) and arthritis (joint pain and swelling). If you are concerned for any reason please seek medical assistance immediately.

If your child has an underlying condition which affects their immune system, you should contact your GP or hospital doctor to discuss whether any additional measures are needed.

Further advice can also be obtained from the Health Protection Team on 0300 303 8162 during office hours.