



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

15th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance –94.81%



This picture is Rabbit class representing just how big Jupiter is!

We have had a very enjoyable Science Week in our last week of term. There has been lots of doing, experimenting, exploding, buzzing and launching of rockets all around the school. The adults have really engaged the children with the variety of ways they have come up with to explore Space. Lots of you have commented to me on the gate how much you have heard about the different things going on. We really appreciate your comments, thank you.

The staff have an INSET day on Monday 25th February. We have two members of staff from another school in the Trust coming to train us on de-escalation techniques. This is part of our ongoing work towards improving behaviour and ensuring children are happy in school so they can learn.

A letter regarding the appointment of the new Headteacher is being sent home with children today or can be viewed on our website.

Have an enjoyable and safe half term. Tracey Trood

BLSA News

We are delighted to announce that we have been successful in our application to the Brooks Macdonald – 'Making a difference: community support programme'. The business has very generously donated £2,000 towards the Early Years outdoor space re-development project. This opportunity arose through a parent at the school, Georgina Skirton, an employee of Brooks Macdonald, who proposed the project for funding and members of the BLSA who helped to write the proposal.

We know that there are a number of employers who operate similar programmes, indeed we have also been successful in our bids to Toyota – who also donated £2,000 – and Boots, who have match funded a number of our fundraising activities over the last few years. If any of you have any similar opportunities, please get in touch with Ruth Warren from the BLSA at ruthyewarren@gmail.com. We are still raising money for the outdoor area and we also have the Pod project on the go, so lots of money is needed!!

I would once again like to thank Georgina and Brooks Macdonald for their generosity and we look forward to welcoming them to see the fruits of their donation when the project is completed.

House points

Children in Mendip and Brendon houses may wear non-uniform on Friday 1st March. Mendip came top the most number of weeks and Brendon finished the term with the most points. Well done!

After-school clubs

If your child would like to continue after-school clubs after half-term and you have not already paid for the second half of term, please visit ParentPay to top up your account. If your child would like to start an after-school club, please ask at the school office.

Request

Mrs Byrne would really like some help to stick labels into our library books as we have been lucky enough to purchase a new reading system called Accelerated Reader which will be used in the near future. If you can help Mrs Byrne on Wednesday 27th February from 2.15pm, we would be very grateful. Please let the office know.

Fairtrade Friday

The Co-op will be visiting the school on Friday 1st March with a banana and sticker for every child in celebration of Fairtrade Friday.

World Book Day

We will be dressing up for World Book Day on Thursday 7th March and are looking forward to lots of book themed activities during the term.

Kilve Residential meeting, Tuesday 5th March, 6.00 – 6.30pm

Year 5 parents are invited to a meeting on Tuesday 5th March in the school hall. A senior instructor from Kilve Court will give a presentation about the activities planned for the week. Parent information packs and consent forms will be handed out at this meeting.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' evenings will be held on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th February, 3.30 – 6.30pm. Please see teachers at morning drop-off to book appointment times or call the office after 9.30am.

SATs information sessions

We will be holding SATs information sessions for parents of children in Years 2 and 6.

KS2 SATs session for Year 6 parents: Wednesday 27th February, 6 – 6.30pm

KS1 SATs session for Year 2 parents: Monday 4th March, 3.15 – 3.45pm

Playleader





We are currently advertising for a Playleader Supervisor. The position is for 7.5 hours per week. If you are interested please email office@bishopslydeard.bwmat.org

London Marathon

Miss Culverhouse is running the London Marathon on 28th April for the charity Dementia Revolution.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?pagelid=988405>

If you would be interested in donating to Dementia Revolution please visit my fundraising link above.

| <u>House Points</u> | This week | Overall |
|---|-----------|---------|
|  Blackdown | 170 | 989 |
|  Quantock | 169 | 1080 |
|  Brendon | 158 | 1130 |
|  Mendip | 113 | 981 |

Class Attendance Cup

This week Owl class won the attendance cup with 98.62% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

Gold Book

This week the golden rule was: we are always polite and well-mannered

- Ladybird** Isabella for being kind and well-mannered with all her classmates.
- Hedgehog** William and Isabel Rose for always being polite and well-mannered with all members of staff and other children in the class.
- Rabbit** Lily and Charlie for always being polite and well-mannered. They always say thank you when someone holds a door or hands out work. So it's our turn to say thank you to you both!
- Fox** Oscar B. and Eli have both worked extremely hard all term and are always polite and well-mannered. They have shown respect, endurance and friendship in abundance and encapsulate what is great about the children at Bishops Lydeard School!
- Owl** Holly and Eva were incredibly polite and well-mannered when we had visitors in our class. They were very eloquent when explaining their work.
- Badger** Oliver W., Sophie B. and Jack for always acting as role models for politeness and good manners to all.
- Dragonfly** Daisy and Bailey for their fantastic attitude in class and always being polite to everyone.



Dates for
the Diary:

February

- 18th Half-term week
- 25th Inset day
- 26th Back to school
- 26th Parents' Evening
- 27th Parents' Evening
- 27th KS2 SATs information meeting for parents, 6.00 – 6.30pm

March

- 1st Non-uniform day for children in Mendip and Brendon houses
- 4th KS1 SATs information meeting for parents, 3.15 – 3.45pm
- 5th Kolve Court Residential meeting for Year 5 parents, 6.00 – 6.30pm
- 7th World Book Day
- 8th BLSA Disco