



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 March 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Current Whole School Attendance –94.81%

I spent a very enjoyable day this week, getting to know Mrs Harvey, the new Headteacher who will be joining the school after Easter. She joined me at the gate so I was able to introduce her to many of you. Thank you for giving her such a warm welcome. Mrs Harvey will be in school a few times over the next two weeks to ensure there is a smooth transition between us. She will also be meeting with members of the Trust who support the school as well as some of the Governors.

The staff have been working on the school's Behaviour Policy. We felt that the system needed to be much clearer with clear vocabulary that the children understand within school. The sanctions for poor behaviour also need to be clear for children, staff and parents. We are in the process of training all staff to use a system called CPOMS which logs any behaviour concerns electronically to enable the school to track behaviour closely. Whilst poor behaviour needs to be eradicated, we actually felt that those children who behave well and make sensible choices constantly need to be recognised, rewarded and celebrated. I just need to make some final adjustments before it comes out to you next week. It is in draft at the moment and will be taken forward to the Governors to ratify in April.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.
Tracey Trood

Sickness

We would like to remind parents of the school 48 hour rule policy after any bout of vomiting or diarrhoea. In order to prevent the spread of illness as much as possible, please keep your child at home for 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea. Many thanks for your support.

School fete – help needed!

The BLSA are looking for helpers for this year's school fete. Urgently needed are volunteers to be the food and drinks co-ordinator and the non-trade stall co-ordinator. We are a really small committee and need some help. The fete raises around £2,500 a year, but we can't do it on our own. Anyone who wants to find out what these roles entail - please contact Chris Winn, chriswinn@sky.com, to find out more. We also will need volunteers to help set up / pack up and run the stalls, but more information about this closer to the time.

Easter Bingo

On **Monday 25 March**, please can all pupils bring in an Easter egg as a donation to generate prizes for the 'Eggtastic' Easter Bingo! Each pupil that brings in an egg will receive a raffle ticket and will have the chance to win a fabulous hamper of Easter Eggs! Members of the BLSA will be collecting eggs by the school office before school. The Easter Bingo is a great fundraiser for the school and a fun event for all the family. It will be held on **Friday 29 March** in the school hall. Doors will open at 6.30pm for eyes down at 7.00pm. Bingo books will be £1 each, £6 for a full set, available on the door. There will also be a raffle. Please feel free to bring your own drinks and snacks. We really hope to see you all there.



Tea towels

We have a few KS2 self-portrait tea towels available at a discounted rate of £2.50 - a lovely gift for Mother's Day or Easter! If you would like one, please drop off the money with your child's name/class to the office. First come first served, limited number left.

KS1 SATs

The KS1 Assessment powerpoint is available to view on the school website for any parents who wish to refer to it following last week's meeting or if you were unable to attend.

Visit <https://bishopslydeardbwmat.org/class-pages/rabbit-class/>

Messy Church

Saturday 16th March, 10-12, at St Marys Church Centre. Join us for crafts, songs, games, prayers and stories on the theme, 'Let my People Go'. Everyone welcome.

Maths and English updates

Ladybird	Next week in English our work will be based on the story, The Day the Crayons Quit. In maths we will be recording number sentences.
Hedgehog	Next week we are writing our own stories and learning about animal reports. In maths we are going to be comparing numbers to 50 and counting in 2s and 5s.
Rabbit	In English we will be reading and writing animal reports. In maths, we will be doing some assessments of our learning and continuing to practise addition and subtraction to 100.
Fox	Next week in English, we will be exploring explanation texts, with a view to writing our own about how the Egyptians built the pyramids. In maths, we will be beginning our unit of work on fractions, identifying and representing fractions of shapes.
Owl	Next week, Owl class are writing their own invented 'Warning Tales'. They will be using their developed skills of extended noun phrases, prepositional phrases, and possessive apostrophes. In maths, we will be moving on to fractions of amounts, i.e. $\frac{3}{5}$ of 35 is 21.
Badger	In English we will be planning and writing our own portal stories. In maths we will be multiplying fractions and solving word problems.
Dragonfly	Next week we will continue learning about algebra and link this to area, perimeter and volume. In English we will plan and write our own portal story using dialogue and description to convey character. We will also continue to create our own new world and use this as part of our story.

<u>House Points</u>	This week	Overall
 Blackdown	205	531
 Quantock	202	529
 Mendip	182	403
 Brendon	171	476

Class Attendance Cup

This week Owl class won the attendance cup with 97.24% attendance and were rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

Gold Book

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

- Ladybird** Isabella for great attitude to all learning recently. Oliver K. for wanting to challenge himself in his learning.
- Hedgehog** Rosie for working really hard to improve her writing and becoming more independent at forming sentences correctly. Ciara Leigh for trying really hard in phonics and applying new sounds she learns in her reading and writing.
- Rabbit** Bruno and Ellis for being fantastic friends to everyone in Rabbit Class. Ellis makes everyone smile and Bruno is so supportive and includes everyone in all sessions
- Fox** Renee has produced an outstanding warning tale with accurate use of direct speech and a range of conjunctions. Jake has shown a superb attitude in maths, showing endurance when faced with tricky problems and supporting others to not give up.
- Owl** Grace and Ryan have been the epitome of respect and friendship in the class. They walk in the corridors, hold open doors and say a lovely greeting every morning.
- Badger** Lucie, Poppy, Elle, Melissa and Milo for always modelling how to be good friends and care for other people. Johnny for working out a tricky fractions problem.
- Dragonfly** Tilly, Lily-Mae and Bailey for superb effort at home and at school to challenge themselves in their learning and striving to improve

March

29th Easter Bingo

April

1st Travelling Book Fair

8th – 22nd Easter holidays

23rd Back to school



Dates for
the Diary: