



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 Harvey or Mrs Culverhouse) or ring Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224
- If you notice a Health & Safety concern, please report it to Mrs Harvey 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

23rd October 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first term of the year has simply flown by. Thank you to all who have helped in a whole range of ways.

Particular thanks go to the BLSA and Trust for making the early years outside area possible. To the Co-op, thank you for the gardening and painting you did over the weekend. To St. Mary's Church, thank you for welcoming us for the Harvest Service last week. The church looked simply splendid. Parents, thank you for your donations, I know these will be much appreciated. To our Beanstalk readers, the regular reading you do makes a real difference. Open the Book, our collective worships are much enjoyed. To you parents, thank you for joining your children during their open classroom sessions, for reading regularly, for your participation in parent forum and for the books we have already received.

The strength and participation of the wider community is of great benefit to the children of our school.



Parents' Evenings

The sign-up sheets for the first parents' evening of the year will be with teachers in their classroom tomorrow. If you do not drop your child to school, please call the school office after 9.30am to make an appointment.

Thursday 7th November 3.30pm to 6.30pm
Wednesday 13th November 3.30pm to 6.30pm

The meetings will take place in the main school hall so on your arrival please make your way to the pod. You will then be collected by your child's teacher. During your meeting your child is, of course, welcome to sit with you and be part of the discussion. If you do not wish this to happen, there will be a book and bean bag area in the hall where they can wait.

Class Books

As you may be aware, we are trying collect together class sets of readers (enough for the children to have one between two). If you have any copies of the titles below which you would not mind donating to school they would be greatly appreciated.

Roald Dahl	The Twits	Esio Trot	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Matilda
	George's Marvellous Medicine	James and the Giant Peach		
Michael Morpurgo	Kensuke's Kingdom	The Wreck of the Zanzibar	The Butterfly Lion	
	Adolphus Tips	The White Horse of Zennor		
John Boyne	The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas			
Deborah Ellis	The Breadwinner			
Katherine Rundell	The Explorer			
Nick Would	The Scarab's Secret			
David Almond	Skellig			
Philip Pullman	The Firework-Maker's Daughter			
Philip Ridley	Scribbleboy			
Maz Evans	Who Let the Gods Out			
Dick King Smith	The Hodgeheg			
Polly Ho-Yen	Boy in the Tower			
Ted Hughes	The Iron Man			
E. B. White	Charlotte's Web			

Offers of help

A number of parents and families have voiced an interest in supporting the school. Support in the following areas would be really welcomed:

- Dismantling and removing the shed on the edge of the playground
- Checking book boxes in the library
- Painting the wall outside of Reception classroom
- A deep clean of Reception classes outside area
- Regular reading with individual children

If you have the time and inclination, please let us know, thank you.



Mrs Harvey

Year 6

Secondary school applications should be made online by 31st October. If you have not already done so, please visit the website below to apply.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/starting-at-a-secondary-or-upper-school-in-september/>

Ladybird visit to the Library







Maths and English updates

Ladybird	We are using the focus text of 'Owl Babies' to think about emotions and feelings. We will also be creating night time pictures, continuing with our daily phonics and looking at the number 4.
Hedgehog	In English we are writing instructions on how to catch a dragon. In Maths we are looking at using number lines to find one more and one less.
Rabbit	In English we are innovating our instructions as part of our T4W and continuing with addition and subtraction in Maths looking at 1 more, 1 less, 10 more and 10 less.
Fox	This week we are working on column subtraction and independent writing of our own non-chronological reports.
Owl	This week we are improving our rap poetry in English, trying to add alliteration and comedy to our raps. In Maths we will be looking at area and perimeter.
Badger	In maths we are beginning our new unit on statistics and will be looking at reading, drawing and interpreting line graphs. In English we are finishing our unit on 'The Tree Giant' and will be using our knowledge of the key features of reports to write a report on a subject of our choice.
Dragonfly	We are looking forward to our trip to the Houses of Parliament and writing persuasive letters. In Maths we will be learning how to calculate using long multiplication.

Class Attendance Cup

This week Owl class won the attendance cup with 99.6% attendance and will be rewarded with an extra session on the trim trail.

House Points	This week	Overall
 Brendon	264	866
 Quantock	155	517
 Mendip	199	895
 Blackdown	106	461

Gold Book

Ladybird

Florence and Malachi for their wonderful writing about what they could hear. Harry for doing great counting for one more one less. Alfie and Jessica for making musical instruments and working well together.

Hedgehog

Bella L-K for her great attitude and endurance this week. Daniel for always being respectful.

Rabbit

Isabel for taking pride in all her learning and completing it to a high standard. Ella for practicing her handwriting at home and keeping it super neat in her learning.

Fox

Vinaya for trying really hard in Maths and working really hard in all her lessons. Lily for amazing artwork with very accurate painting skills.

Owl

In the Harvest service, Marianna, Seren, George, Rosie, Jake and Rico read beautifully with lovely intonation and confidence.

Badger

Robbie for working hard in maths this week to use question and reasoning stems when writing answers. Thomas for working hard with others during our circuit investigations and using fantastic vocabulary and problem solving skills.

Dragonfly

Sophie H, Lilly S and Lucie for always working hard and wanting to learn. Rowan and Oliver W. for great ideas and sentences in English for their explanation text.

October

25th INSET day

28th Half-term week

November

4th – 8th International Week

6th First Aid workshops

7th Parents' evening

8th Carnival, 2.45pm

13th Parents' evening

11th – 15th Anti-bullying week

December

11th Christmas dinner

13th Enterprise sale, 3.15pm

16th Nativity, 9.30am, school hall

17th Nativity, 2pm, school hall

18th Carol service, 6.30pm, St Mary's Church

23rd Christmas holidays

