



# 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 Harvey or Mr Dakin) 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

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

### Attendance

**Whole School attendance:** 94.37%

**Class with the best attendance this week:** Dragonfly Class with 96.8%



Dear Parents and Carers,

As David Williams, our chair of governors, has made you aware I will be leaving Bishops Lydeard Church School at the end of the school year. This has been a very difficult decision to make as this school is a wonderful place and my time spent in our school community has been, and continues to be, such an enriching experience. This is thanks to the relationships with your children, you as parents and the tremendous staff team we have here.

What I do know is that what we have built as a school team over the years means that the school will continue to thrive and progress, and the children will have the benefit of a rich education within a nurturing environment where all are valued.

Thank you for your kind and supportive words. Please come and find me if you have questions.

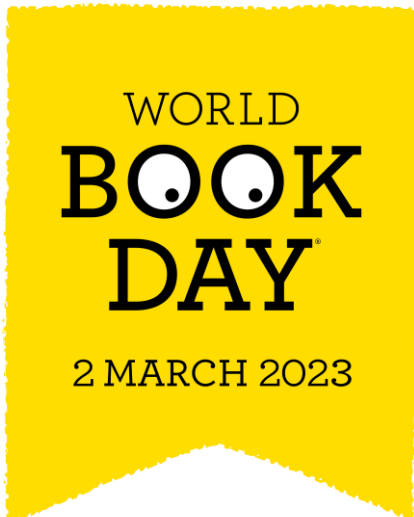
Yours sincerely,  
Lisa Harvey

## NEU Strike Action, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

At this point in time, we are expecting to be fully open on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Please send your child in as normal.

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## World Book Day next Thursday



This year we will be celebrating World Book Day as a school on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**. This year our school theme is:

**'Books that are good enough to eat'.**

Each class will be undertaking different activities throughout the day based on a book they have chosen. As part of their activities this year, the children will also be creating a food item which is linked to their chosen book to share.

This year, we would like to invite parents, carers and family members to come and celebrate our World Book Day celebrations with us. At 3pm, each class will welcome you to see the fantastic work the children have created and share a story.

On the day, children will be invited to dress up as their chosen book characters if they wish. As an alternative to this, children could also decorate a t-shirt based on their favourite book and wear these to school on the day.

We are looking forward to celebrating this day and can't wait to see the fantastic learning produced by each class.

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### Amelia Earhart Virtual Visit

As part of our topic on 'Who is the greatest explorer?', Ladybird and Rabbit classes will be learning about Amelia Earhart.

Children will take part in a virtual visit on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March which will give them the opportunity to learn about her achievements and ask questions.

Please visit ParentPay to make payment for the session.

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### Noah's Ark Zoo Farm

As part of our Living things and Habitats topic in Science, years 3 – 6 welcomed Noah's Ark Farm Zoo into school before half-term. We held giant African land snails, Madagascan hissing cockroaches, guinea pigs and royal pythons. We learnt about animal classification, created flow diagrams and explored different artefacts such as sun beetle cocoons, stick insect sheds and an elephant tusk.





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### Science – Discussing plants as living things

Owl class were presented with a picture of a large tree growing out of an abandoned house. How did it get there? What did it look like 100 years ago? What would it look like in 100 more years? We explored a range of questions in small groups and then used summary sentence stems to present our findings to the class.



### Wanted – small shed

Nursery are looking for a small shed to keep bikes and outside equipment in. If anyone has one they were thinking of getting rid of, please let us know! Many thanks

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## Reminders

### Nut Free School

Please remember that we are a nut free school. Please check all packed lunch items to ensure that they are nut free. Many thanks



NO  
MOBILE  
PHONES

Please do not use your mobile phone while on school site. Many thanks for your support.

Please do not park or drop children off on the yellow zig zags outside school.



Please do not use the school car park for drop off/collection. We ask this as doing so increases the risk of an accident occurring.

### Gold Book

- Ladybird** Dexter for his resilience in class. Matilda for her perseverance. Barnaby for his positive attitude.
- Rabbit** Alisha for being inspired by our science learning to complete her own work at home and inspiring others to do the same. Blake for settling into Rabbit Class beautifully.
- Owl** Finn for improved concentration and focus in lessons. Hugo for trying really hard with his handwriting. Florence for modelling listening to instructions to the class. Archie for challenging himself to do extra in maths. Wilson for improved concentration and helping his table to make progress.
- Badger** Dawson for good editing and challenge in maths. Joe M. for his enthusiasm to learning all week. Leo S. for challenging himself in maths by trying harder questions
- Dragonfly** George, Kaden and Shaun for their fantastic annotated sketches of their inventions. Arabella for all her effort with her handwriting. Xanthe and Bruno for detailed justifying in guided reading. Lily and Matilda for great contributions to class discussions. Ben for his detailed recording in his reading record.

	<b>February</b>	27 <sup>th</sup>	Owl Class Swimming
	<b>March</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	World Book Day Open classrooms from 3pm
		15 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' evening
		23 <sup>rd</sup>	Amelia Earhart virtual visit Ladybird and Rabbit classes
		27 <sup>th</sup>	Science Week