

## Bishops Lydeard Community Library

### News

The festive season is approaching, so our library will have plenty of appropriate books to borrow – fiction, children's, cooking, crafting. The tree will be decorated, and a welcome will be ready for all. Drop in to our warm space to read or relax. Below are details of our opening times.

### Feature – Winter Coat Exchange

The Winter Coat Exchange scheme is designed to support the community by providing access to warm coats for anyone in need during the wet, cold weather.

Now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> year, the scheme has been increasingly successful with 2,470 coats donated and 2,086 taken last winter. The excess donations were given to a refugee charity.

The initiative was launched to help people stretch tight budgets that little bit further and reduce waste. The scheme is simple:

- You can donate a coat at Taunton Library
- All donations must be of good quality and in a clean condition
- Coats of any shape or size, for adults or children are accepted
- Donors are asked to hand items directly to a member of staff
- You can request a coat to be brought to Bishops Lydeard from Taunton – give details of your requirements to a member of staff to make the arrangements

### Things to do in the library

- Storytime – Mondays 11.00 - 11.30 (term-time only) – lots of stories and rhymes
- Lego club – Saturdays 10.00 - 13.00
- Printing, photocopying (small charge per sheet)
- Public computer (library members only – joining is free)
- Free wi-fi (library members only – joining is free)
- For children - a trail of pictures to track down, with a little treat for finding them all. Also colouring, Lego, Duplo and toys.

### Opening hours:

- Monday 10 – 4      Wednesday 10 – 4      Friday 10 – 4      Saturday 10 – 1
- **XMAS** – Weds 24<sup>th</sup> 10 – 1; Fri 26<sup>th</sup> closed; Sat 27<sup>th</sup> 10 – 1; Mon 29<sup>th</sup> 10 – 1; Weds 31<sup>st</sup> 10 - 1

**Volunteering** - if you are interested in volunteering at Bishops Lydeard Community Library, please telephone Iain Hunter on 01823 433016 or email [iain.hunter@btinternet.com](mailto:iain.hunter@btinternet.com)

*Merry Xmas and Happy New Year from Bishops Lydeard  
Library staff and volunteers*