

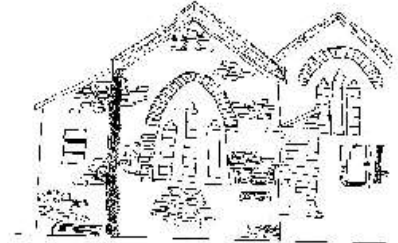
BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Friday 2nd May 2014



Branscombe C of E Primary School
Children's Aims
We will try to:



The Branscombe Waves



Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who has contributed items for our African Garden. Unfortunately the weather wasn't favourable yesterday and so the date for building it has been postponed. We did build a similar garden at Broadhembury on Monday. The children there had a super day and the finished result looks great so I'm really looking forward to Branscombe's turn.

You should all have received a letter this week about the consultation process for Farway CE Primary School federating with The Jubilee Federation. If you have any questions about this please come to one of the consultation presentations (see dates below) or pop in to see me.

Thank you for your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School

Questions for the week

Class 1: Think about where you live. Where do plants (and trees) not grow? Can you explain why?

Class 2: Why is it important to look after objects from the past?

Key Dates:

Mrs Gray will be in school on Friday next week.

Tuesday 6th May	PTFA cake sale Federation consultation meeting at Farway, 6pm
Wednesday 7th May	Federation consultation meeting at Broadhembury, 5pm
Monday 12th May	Federation consultation meeting at Branscombe, 4pm
Wednesday 21st May	May Day celebration
Thursday 5th June	Class 2 swimming starts

Cake Sale

Because this coming Monday is a bank holiday this month's PTFA cake sale will run on **Tuesday 6th May**. Thanks to Naomi who kindly has offered to make cakes and run the stall. Unfortunately there is no longer another volunteer for this date. If anyone else can help, please contact Caroline Reynolds.

Rosina's Leaving Party

As most of you will know, Rosina Knowles, our village postmistress is going to be retiring and moving away from the village. A party is being held in her honour at the Branoc Hall on Sunday May 4th from 3.30-5pm. This will be a **bring and share** tea party, and is open to all. The school has already made a contribution towards her present and the children have made a card but if anyone else would like to contribute to this personally, you can do so through Norman Brimson (Cott Mead, Branscombe) or Annette Freathy (5 Mill Lane, Branscombe).

Scarlet Fever

We have been notified by Public Health Devon of a regional increase in cases of scarlet fever, above what would normally be expected at this time of year. Scarlet fever is usually a minor illness, but can occasionally cause complications and is contagious. For your information, signs and symptoms to watch out for include:

- Sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting.
- After 12-48 hours the characteristic red pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach and then spreading to other parts of the body and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture.
- Patients typically have flushed cheeks and paleness around the mouth.

Good hand-washing is the key method to prevent spread of infection. Children and adults with suspected scarlet fever must be **excluded** from nursery/school/work for 24 hours after the commencement of appropriate antibiotics.

Orienteering Event

Devon Orienteering club are holding an event this Sunday, May 4th at Mutters Moor in Sidmouth. Details as follows

OS Grid Ref: SY 109 873 SatNav: 50.67799 N, 3.26144 W

Courses: Brown, Blue, Green, Light Green, Orange, Yellow, White.

Registration: 10.00 to 12.30 **Starts:** 10.30 to 13.00

Entry Fee: £7 adults, £2 juniors. SI Card Hire: £1; Lost card £30.

For further information please visit <http://www.devonorienteering.co.uk/>