



BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Achievements to Celebrate
Branscombe Waves Award:

Samphire: for working very hard with all activities.

Joshua: for trying very hard to improve his behaviour recently.

Bethany: for working very hard and continuing to improve in maths.

Beatrix: for making a great effort with maths this week.

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



The Branscombe Waves

Dear Parents

I was very privileged this week to have been invited to the licensing service of Rev Hilary Dawson, the new minister to Colyton Mission Community. Three children represented the school and took part in the service by presenting Hilary with a book of pictures and poems that the whole school had put together. Hilary is delighted to be taking up her place on the governing body and the whole school is looking forward to working closely with Hilary over the coming years. We will all be able to meet her at our Leavers' service on Monday 18th July at 9.15am to which all parents and friends of the school are also invited.

Following our Collective Worship last term where we talked about the value of trust, the children had requested that we send a donation to Shelterbox from the school Community Fund. As a follow up to this donation a volunteer from the charity came to school on Wednesday to talk more about the charity and show the children the content of a Shelterbox. We have received a lovely e mail from him which I would like to share with you.

"Please give my thanks to all the children for listening and joining in so well when I came to the school on Wednesday morning to speak about Shelterbox. I really enjoyed my visit and was so impressed by the interest shown and by the number of relevant questions asked by the children.

The children present all seemed very happy and content and that must of course reflect on the care and attention they receive from you and the school's staff.

Thank you for your support for Shelterbox which really is appreciated.

With kindest wishes to you, other members of your team and most importantly to all of the children"

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTFA for all their hard work over recent weeks as they've prepared for the summer fayre which is to be held tomorrow. We're looking forward to a really enjoyable event, hopefully the weather will be as lovely as it is today - see you there from 12 'til 3!

God bless and we hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School.

Key Dates

Saturday 2nd July - School Fete, 12 -3 at Branscombe Village Hall.

Sunday 3rd July - Exe Valley Challenge

Monday 4th July - American dinner menu

Monday 4th July and Tuesday 5th July - Year 6 pupils induction to Sidmouth College.

Wednesday 6th July - New Parent meeting at 3.30pm.

Wednesday 6th July - Year 5 and 6 Life Skills event (further details sent today).

Wednesday 6th July - CLUBS CANCELLED

Monday 11th July - Smugglers of Gold. Theatre event for whole school and local community at Branscombe Village Hall.

Tuesday 12th July - New Parent meeting at Sidmouth College for parents of those children moving to Sidmouth College next year.

Friday 15th July - End of year school play at Branscombe Village Hall.

Monday 18th July - Leavers' service at St Winifred's Church at 9.15am. All children to come to school first please. Parents Welcome.

Monday 18th July - 2.45pm. Transition meeting for parents of pupils in Year 2 who will be moving into Class 2 in September.

Monday 18th July - 3.15pm. Open evening for all parents.

Friday 22nd July - last day of summer term.

Playtime Snacks

A reminder that our school policy is that playtime snacks should only consist of pieces of fruit or healthy muesli bars. We are very proud of our Healthy School status but we have noticed recently that some children are bringing snacks such as biscuits and chocolate cake that don't fit with this ethos.

PTFA - last minute information for the fayre

Please bring any cakes for the cake stall to the hall - there will be someone there from 10.30 am. Please also bring along any toys, cuddly toys, books or DVDs to the hall. If you have any unsold raffle tickets please bring them along and give them to Lynley so they can be sold on. There will be a barbeque, cakes and ice creams available.

School meal - Monday 4th July

Please remember that there will be an American Menu on the 4th July. There will be sausages and burgers in rolls (vegetarian options available), potato wedges, baked beans and salad with cookies, milkshake and fruit salad. Please note on your order form whether your child requires main meal or the vegetarian option. Thank you.

Year Six pupils attending Sidmouth College

For those year 6 students going to the induction day at Sidmouth College we have been asked to advise you that the price of a school meal is now £2.15 and not £2.10 as you were informed in the original letter sent from the college.

Clubs - Wednesday 6th July

Please note that netball and construction clubs are cancelled next Wednesday 6th July and will resume on Wednesday 13th July.

Headlice

A case of headlice has been discovered this week. Please ensure that you check your child's head regularly and treat appropriately. If you would like further information regarding treatment please pop into the office where we have copies of information given out by the school nurse.

Raincoats

Please ensure that children have a lightweight raincoat with them when the weather is showery. We like to make sure that the children can have some fresh air and get out in the playground even if there is slight drizzle.

Opportunity to be involved in a play

There is a great opportunity for KS2 children to be involved in a production called "A Lad in Devon" that will be performed in October. Any children who are interested in acting and singing are invited to go along to the back room of the Village Hall on Saturday 2nd July at 6.00pm to find out what it's all about. Please note that this is not a school activity but is being lead by a member of the local community.

Smugglers of Gold

We would like you to join us on 11th July 2011 at 1.30pm at the Village Hall to watch a performance of the play 'Smuggler's Gold'. The 'Smuggler's Gold Jurassic Coast Heritage Touring Project' has been formed out of a partnership between The Common Players and East Devon Museums. Their aim is to engage and involve audiences actively with the heritage and natural geology of East Devon Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site, its environment, history and culture.

The play is full of live traditional music and tells the fictional story of an Axmouth fisherman whose house on an East Devon cliff top is falling into the sea because of coastal erosion. In a style similar to Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*, night time visitors take the fisherman through time to explore the beautiful ancient landscape of the East Devon area, including stories of the historic fishing fleets of Seaton and Axmouth, the Great Landslip of 1839 and the smugglers whose gold is hidden somewhere in his garden.

The performance is free of charge. If you would like to join us please contact Nicola at the school on 01297 680339 to express your interest.