

BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Harvest

A big thank you to everyone who attended the service last Sunday. Some parents asked about the photos of Class 1 blackberry picking. These will be on the school website shortly. www.branscombe.devon.sch.uk

Path Opening

The 'Grand Opening' of the new footpath will be on Monday 8th October at 9.30am. Parents and Villagers are all welcome to join us walk down the path for the first time and to have some refreshments once we reach the Village Hall. More details next week.

Circus Skills

To improve the variety of activities at playtimes the school used some of the last round of Supermarket Vouchers to buy some circus type activities e.g. juggling equipment. If anyone has any expertise (or knows of anyone who could help) in this area, and could help start the children off, we would be very grateful of any assistance!

Recipe Book

We're planning a really exciting project. At the previous PTFA meeting the issue of healthy packed lunches was brought up and the parents suggested that the children could compile a book of healthy recipes. I have approached a printer who has suggested a format to follow. The time scale is quite tight as we want to be able to sell the books in time for Christmas. If you and your child would like to participate in this venture please follow these guidelines

- Choose a healthy recipe that you would like to share – this could be something that could be brought to school in a healthy packed lunch
- Depending on age the children could write out the recipe or it could be typed and emailed to school. Don't forget to give the recipe a name and to put the child's name and age on it.
- The recipe needs to have the ingredients, method and a short paragraph about why you like it.
- Have a practice making it at home and take some photos of the children making the recipe, the finished product and eating it! The photos are vital to follow the printer's format. Please bring these into school to be scanned or email them to admin@branscombe.devon.sch.uk . Emails should clearly say they are for the recipe book, which recipe and again which child.
- All recipes and photos need to be in school by 31st October so you will have half term to practise your chef skills!

We really hope that this will be a success and that you will enjoy taking part.

@Bristol Trip

A reminder that this trip will take place on Monday for Class 1 and 2. Thank you to all the adults who have offered to help. The children and helpers should be in school for normal time. Children should be in school uniform and have a packed lunch. Please see previous letter about the trip for further details.

Family History – Class 1

In Class 1 next week they will be doing some work about Family Trees. It would be helpful if the children could know something about parents, grandparents and possibly great grand parents. We understand there may be some sensitive issues related to this topic. Please do not feel you have to discuss these with your child. We will run the lesson with the information you wish to share with us. Thank you for your assistance.

Cake Sale/Uniform Sale

A reminder that next Wednesday the PTFA will be holding their monthly cake sale. This month the cake sale will be slightly different in that it will be held from 12 until 4pm at Hazel's house (Hillview) which is the white house at the bottom of School Lane. Please support this event.

There will also be a second hand school uniform sale in the upper playground. All the items are in good condition. The school's Eco Club are organising the sale and the money raised will go towards sponsoring an 'Animal in Danger'. However, the children can only do this with your help, so please come and buy some of the clothes!

PTFA

There are numerous enclosures with this newsletter, including some exciting new ventures. Please read these through carefully.

Netball and Football

A reminder that there is no netball club this week. There will also be no football this week as many of the children will be on the @Bristol trip. An extra lesson to make up for this will be arranged.

Knitting for Age Concern

The **BIG KNIT** at Branscombe



Innocent Drinks are asking lots of people to knit lots of little hats that will fit their smoothie bottles. For every bottle sold by Sainsbury's 50p will be donated to Age Concern. **We have three weeks to knit as many as we can!** The countdown has started!

Any donations of double knitting wool and 3.25mm/size 10 knitting needles would be welcomed.

Our knitting sessions will be during Thursday and Friday lunchtimes. **Please contact Glynis for further details, or copies of the basic knitting pattern.** Thanks.