BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL **NEWSLETTER 10 / 11 33**

Friday 24th June 2011







Dear Parents

We had a really enjoyable day out at The Mix on Tuesday. The children thoroughly enjoyed the musical experiences that we saw and heard during the event. They listened to Bhangra music and Samba rhythms in the main arena. Key Stage 1 children had a go at a range of instruments and Class 2 took part in a Beatles workshop. BB was lucky enough to have a go at conducting a school orchestra for The Yellow Submarine - she had them in complete musical control!

The Branscombe Waves

It was lovely to watch the joy on the children's faces and the way they felt confident enough to lose their inhibitions, dance to the music and sing their hearts out.

We hope you have a lovely week.

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

Parent Forum

As we advised in the newsletter last week we hope to hold a Parent Forum very shortly. A reminder to those reps who have not yet responded to let us know using the form below to indicate times and dates over the next couple of weeks that you would be available to meet. We will then match these with the school diary. If you have a child in the current Year 5 or 6 and would like to be a year group representative please see Nicola.

If you have any issues you would like raised at the Parent Forum please have a chat to your year group representative or fill in the slip below.

The reps are as follows:

Reception - Nikki, Year 1 - Claire, Year 2 - Julie, Year 3 - Jo, Year 4 - Amanda

Key Dates - please note some of these dates are only provisional at this stage.

Monday 27th June - Exe Valley training walk (those taking part should have received full details).

Tuesday 28th June - Class 2 visit to Seaton Marshes (further details in due course).

Friday 1st July - whole school photo.

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

Sunday 3rd July - Exe Valley Challenge (further details have been sent to those taking part)

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

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

Wednesday 6th July - Class 2 Life Skills event (further details in due course).

Monday 11th July - Smugglers of Gold. Theatre event for whole school and local community at Branscombe Village Hall (further details in due course).

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

Friday 15th July (provisional date) - 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 (provisional date) - 2.45pm. Transition meeting for parents of pupils in Year 2 who will be moving into Class 2 in September.

Monday 18th July (provisional date) - 3.15pm. Open evening for all parents. Friday 22nd July - last day of summer term.

Seaton Marshes

Class 2 will be visiting Seaton Marshes on Tuesday. If you have not already returned the SOE3 form please make sure that Nicola has it by Monday. The children need to be dropped at Seaton Hole at 9.15 and will need to be collected at the Seaton Tramway Car Park between 2.45 and 3pm. Those children who attend Spanish Club will be transported back to school by Mrs Crawford.

Rev Hilary Dawson

On Monday a service will take place at Colyton Church for the licensing of Rev Hilary Dawson to the Colyton Mission Community. During the service, which will be lead by Bishop Bob, the school will present Hilary with a book of welcome poems and drawings. We are looking forward to our next school service in church on Monday 18th July when Hilary will be taking part of the worship with Rev. Nigel Freathy.

Class Two 'Bottle Greenhouse'

As you know we have been collecting plastic bottles for some time to make a Green House! We now need some volunteer parents to help us to cut off the bottom of the bottles so that we can stack them together. Obviously the children can't do this as it will involve using sharp tools. If you are willing to help with this please fill in the slip below and we will arrange a time. Thank you for your help with this.

School Photo

Next Friday (1^{st} July) we will be having our whole school photo taken. Please could all children be in smart school uniform.

Donkey Sanctuary

Last week Class 2 visited The Donkey Sanctuary for a taster session of their brand new club. It was an interactive session, they groomed the donkeys, learnt about first aid - putting on bandages and listening to heart beats and visited the veterinary centre. They then led the donkeys around an obstacle course and over a jump. If any of the children are interested in joining the club, which will happen in the summer holidays, please contact Melissa Hallett at the Donkey Sanctuary

Eco Art Cards

A reminder that any orders for the Eco Art Cards should have been in school by today. The order will be posted on Monday so if you do want to place an order and have not done so already please make sure that it is in the office first thing on Monday morning.

PTFA - School Fair

Unfortunately we have received only a few chocolate bars / sweets this week for the hoop game so we will leave the box in the foyer next week and please give whatever you can. Also next week we will be collecting good quality toys, books, games, DVD's and cuddly toys. Please no bric a brac. We will also be asking for contributions of cakes for the cake stall so start stocking up on your ingredients now.

The Summer Fete raised £750 last year and contributes a significant amount to the PTFA funds that help support children's events and experiences throughout the year, so your help and support is both essential and very much appreciated.

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I am available on the following do attend a forum meeting	•	

Please could the following issues/queries be raised at the next Parent Forum.