



**BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY
SCHOOL
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Friday 10th October 2014**

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



The Branscombe Waves

**Achievements to Celebrate
Branscombe Waves Award:**

Kieron: For helping with our Harvest Service

Reginald: For helping with our Harvest Service

Mason: For working hard in maths

Hayley: For kind, caring leadership of others

Dear Parents,

This week the new Jubilee Federation Governing Body met for their first 'Learning' meeting. I talked to the governors about the various new systems we have put into place this term regarding the new national curriculum and the new assessment arrangements. You will receive a letter today about the parents' evening before half term. This will be an opportunity to ask your class teacher about any questions you have about the new arrangements, as well as how your child has settled into the new term.

It's lovely, when I travel around the three schools, to see the children's learning develop throughout their topics. When you come for parents' evening please also have a look at the displays around the school – your children are producing some lovely work.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School

Questions for the week

Class 1: Do you know the names of any cheeses?

Class 2: Should men have been forced to fight in the Army?

Key Dates:

Mrs Gray will be in school on Monday next week.

Monday 20th October

Parents Evening

Friday 24th October

KS2 trip to Castle Drogo

Last day of term

Tuesday 4th Nov

Children return from half-term

Tuesday 11th Nov

Remembrance Day

Friday 21st Nov

School Photographs

Monday 15th December

Christmas Performance

A Message from the PTFA

The PTFA would like to say thank you to Claire for running the cake stall this week. Those who have IOUs for cakes bought please remember to pay as soon as possible. There is now a rota on the front door showing who will be running it on future weeks and the next cake sale will be on Monday 10th November.

Some Reminders

Please could parents make sure that children bring only water in their drinks bottles, and not squash or juice. Could parents also ensure that all children bring a coat to school every day.

Thank you.

Christmas Card Orders

You will receive your Dandy Art Cards samples in bookbags today. Orders should be placed online via the website www.thedandyarthouse.com and can be made up to midnight on 24th October 2014. Cards will then be dispatched approximately 2 weeks later.

School Coats and Hats

School coats with the Branscombe logo are now available for parents to purchase, along with knitted hats. We have samples of a selection of different styles, and will be making these available for parents to look at. If you would like to purchase a coat or hat, please fill in the order form attached and return to the office along with full payment. Cheques must be made payable to DCC.

Messy Church

This Sunday Holyford Mission Community are running a Messy Church session at Reece Strawbridge Youth Centre in Colyton, between 4 and 6pm. All ages welcome, just come along with your grown-up. For more information contact kathryn.radley@gmail.com

October Half Term: Arsenal Soccer Schools

Ottery St Mary Leisure Centre on Thursday 30th & Friday 31st October 2014.

Full day (10.00am – 3.00pm) courses for children aged 7-12 years old just £15.00 per day or Half day courses for children aged 4-6 years old just £4.00 per day.

To book and for further information please visit

www.playthearsenalway.com/southwest or call 01823 253773

October Half Term: Haven Banks Outdoor Activity Centre

During October half term Haven Banks Outdoor Activity Centre based at Exeter Quay will be running one day and week-long activities for young people. A range of beginner and improver courses are on offer including canoeing, sailing, caving, bushcraft, archery and climbing courses. Early and late drop off is available for busy parents. For further details please visit their web site at www.haven-banks.co.uk