

BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Friday 16th May

Well Done!

We must start this week's newsletter with a big 'Well Done' to all the children who have been doing tests this week. It's been a hard week but they've all coped very well.

School Uniform

The long awaited sweatshirts have now arrived in school. There are now plenty of sizes 30 and 32.

Church Service

On Wednesday we will be going to church for the monthly service. All family and friends are welcome to join us. The service starts at 2.45. Please join us for refreshments at the end.
ALL CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BE PICKED UP FROM THE CHURCH.

May Day

A reminder that our May Day celebrations will take place next Friday starting at 1.30pm. Please do come and join us. If raining the event will take place in the Village Hall.

Half Term

We break up next Friday for the half term holiday.

Class 2 Rounders Festival

We sent out a letter this week about the Rounders Festival in June. You may have noticed that the date (Wednesday 26th June) doesn't exist! This was the date we were given and so we are trying to confirm whether the festival is on Wednesday 25th June or Thursday 26th June! Once we know this and the time we will let you know. Sorry about the confusion.

On Monday, which is the start of the practice sessions, please meet Mrs Crawford at the entrance to Sidmouth College at 3.45pm. Thank you.

Allotment

A while ago we gave each child some pots to grow seeds in for the allotment. If you planted any seeds please could you now send them back into school so that we can put them in the allotment?

We have been given some tomato plants by B & Q and we would be grateful for any yoghurt or soup tubs to pot them into. Also if you have any plant pots spare that would be brilliant.

We are also conscious that the flower pots at the front of school are looking bare. If you have any spare plants and flowers we could add to these we would be most grateful.

Class 1 Multi Skills Club

We will be starting an after school multi skills club for children in Class 1. This will be held on Monday afternoons from 3.30pm until 4.00pm commencing Monday 2nd June. There is a leaflet attached for more information. Please fill in the form on the leaflet if you wish your child to attend.

Branscombe Cycle Dirt Track

As most parents and children will be aware, work has already started on the children's dirt track. However, due to illness and other personal commitments our working party has recently come to a temporary halt! However, the nettles and weeds have been growing very happily! Due to this a working party will be taking place at the far end of the village hall field mid morning on Saturday 17th May.

Please support the children of Branscombe with their venture, as at present there is no where safe for them to ride their bicycles. Young and not so young are all welcome, along with trimmers and shears! Any children must be supervised. Thank you for your support.

Sponsored Walk

We are doing really well this year collecting the sponsor money. So far we have raised over £450. A particular well done to Dominic and Timothy who have been very successful sponsor collectors!

We are planning something very special to use the money we have raised on. All the children in the school will be involved in creating a sensory garden area at the school and will work with the Magdalen Project (a local environmental centre based near Chard) on this. Weather permitting this activity will take place towards the end of the summer term.

The sensory garden flowers will be planted in recycled planters and therefore in preparation for the activity we have been asked to collect old wellies, shoes, colanders, sinks, straw hats, shopping baskets, old plant pots etc that could be used as planters. Please bring anything you think would be suitable into school asap so that we can plan the area further. More details about the activity will be sent over the next few weeks.

Emailed Newsletters

Eco club are working really hard to ensure that all aspects of school consider eco issues. A lot of paper is used up producing the weekly newsletters and therefore if anyone would like to receive the newsletter via email please let Dawn know by sending her an email requesting electronic newsletters to admin@branscombe.devon.sch.uk

PTFA

1. SCHOOL FAIR:

The date is now set for Saturday 19th July in the field behind the Village Hall. Thanks to all the Mums who have requested jobs and offered to help - you will be hearing from me shortly. The provisional programme looks fantastic.

The Fair is going to be PTFA's biggest fund-raiser this year - the last one raised well over £2,000 - so I really hope you can all show us some support on the day and make it a day to remember :-)

Please look out for requests and details in forthcoming Newsletters because this is a much faster way of communicating than calling everyone individually. If you need to ever call me at any time, then you can always leave a message on 07973 202441 and I'll get back to you asap.

Many thanks, APRIL

2. DRAWING COMPETITION

Calling all Children

Would you like to design the cover for this year's School Fair Programme? If so, you'll find a piece of "Branscombe School PTFA Village Fair" headed paper attached to this week's Newsletter.

Please could you draw a Summery/Fair-related picture for us and then we'll get Dylan (he doesn't know yet!) to judge it for us next week sometime!

First Prize - £5.00

Second and Third Prizes £3.00

If you could write your first name and year number on the picture too - then that will get printed as a permanent reminder for you to keep (i.e. "Sarah - Year 4").

The Programme is going to be printed in Black and White - so your design will probably print up much more effectively if you DON'T use colour (i.e. only Black)

Deadline - Next Tuesday - 20th May

GOOD LUCK EVERYONE



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