

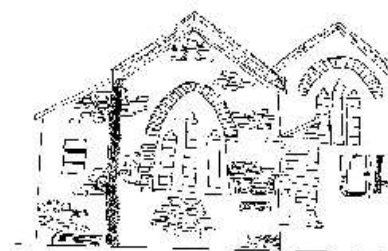


The Branscombe Waves



BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

Jay: Remembering to be well mannered and polite in lots of different circumstances.

Felix: Embracing challenges and collaborating well to solve problems in Maths.

Finn: Maintaining a positive attitude to learning and displaying good manners.

Dear Parents,

As always, the children had a wonderful time on Shrove Tuesday, with our annual pancake races and pancake feast. Thanks to those parents who joined us to cheer on the children and eat pancakes with us. Thank you also to all the parents who supplied pancakes and toppings and those who helped set up, clear away, or serve pancakes. Your efforts were much appreciated by the children and the staff.



As you know I spent the day on Monday interviewing for the new Class 1 teacher. I am very pleased to say that we have appointed Miss Jemma Harvey-Jones. She is delighted to be joining us at Branscombe and is looking forward to spending some time with us after half term to get to know the children and yourselves, and to ensure a smooth handover from Mr Ford.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely half term.

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

Key Dates:

Mrs Gray will be in school on Monday the week after half term.

Tuesday 9th Feb	Pancake races – from 2.30 in the village hall
Friday 12th Feb	Last day before half term holiday
Monday 22nd Feb	Return from half term holiday
Tuesday 23rd Feb	Trip to Golden Hind (KS2)
Wednesday 24th Feb	National Trust Session
Thursday 3rd March	Parents' Evening
Friday 18th March	Sports Relief Life Education Bus (at Farway School)
Thursday 24th March	Last day of term

Collective Worship

☆ HALL OF FAME

A Generous Saint

Nicholas grew up long ago in a poor part of Turkey. His father earned just enough to provide for the needs of his family but many people in the town were extremely poor.

One day something extraordinary happened. A wealthy relative, who Nicholas barely knew, suddenly died and left him a vast fortune. Overnight Nicholas became rich, so rich that he felt very uncomfortable about having so much money when many of the townsfolk barely had enough to eat. But Nicholas knew that the families were proud and they would not want to accept money that they had not earned. He needed to find a way to help them in secret.

So in the dark of night, Nicholas crept through the town leaving parcels of food, clothing and money for the families most in need. He helped one family with three daughters several times. The father was so curious about the mysterious benefactor, that he was determined to stay awake and discover who was being so **generous**. As Nicholas quietly left his gift at the door of their tiny home the man leapt out and chased Nicholas until he finally caught up. Nicholas was embarrassed and begged the man not to give away his secret. The father promised. But he was so happy and grateful that he just couldn't help telling people, and soon the whole town knew about Nicholas' **generosity**.

Nicholas continued to live in the same town and he continued to be **generous** to every one in need. Every December he rewarded the children who had been good during the year by secretly delivering presents whilst they were asleep. To this day Nicholas is remembered in countries across the world when children receive gifts on December 5th, St Nicholas' Day.



Junk Modelling

Class 2 will be modelling boats soon after half term and will be in need of junk modelling materials. If you have any boxes/pots/plastic bottles etc that you think might work well for a boat, please hold on to them ready for their boat building day. Thank you.

Yoga

Abi, who has been doing Yoga with Class 1 and pre-school is hoping to run a regular yoga session at Branscombe village hall. In order to gauge whether this is viable, there is a sheet in the foyer where you can register your interest.

Gardening Club

This will restart on a Monday lunchtime on 29th February (the second week after half term). If your child would like to take part, please complete and return the slip attached. Please also remember that your child will need wellies and warm waterproof clothing with them on Mondays.

PTFA Quiz night

This will take place at the Branoc Hall on Friday 11th March from 7.30pm. £10 per team of 4, which includes a ploughmans tea. Call Abi to book a table on 01297 680512.

Gardening Club

My child(ren) would like to take part in
the gardening club on Monday lunchtimes.

Signed..... Date.....