

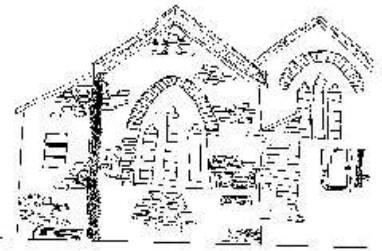
BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Friday 25th May 2012



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



The Branscombe Waves



Dear Parents,

The children from both our partner schools are very much looking forward to May Day on Wednesday. Let's hope this glorious weather continues so that the dancing can take place outside.

We are also looking forward to welcoming some of the governors to school on Monday afternoon. They will be carrying out a 'learning walk' around the school with a focus on our Christian Distinctiveness.

Please have a look at the tree outside the Village Hall. It has been decorated with diamonds to start the Jubilee celebrations. Many of the diamonds were made by the children at school.

God bless and we hope you have a lovely weekend.
Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School.

Jubilee Party

We will be holding a Jubilee Party on Friday 1st June. **The day will start with the whole school photograph so children will need to be in school uniform.** They should bring some red, white and blue clothes that they can change into after the photograph. The kitchen will be providing a Jubilee Lunch (please see the details below) and then in the afternoon there will be a bring and share tea party to which all parents are invited where we will celebrate the arrival of the Jubilee Federation Olympic torch.

Clubs

Please note that next week there will be no construction club on Wednesday. The netballers will be attending a match at Sidmouth Primary School (please make sure that your child has returned their SOE3 if they are going). There will be no textile club on Thursday.

Key Dates - Mrs Gray will be in school on Monday and Wednesday next week. On Tuesday she will be at a Headteachers' meeting.

Monday 28th May - PTFA meeting at 9am

Tuesday 29th May - return bags of clothes to school for PTFA fundraising

Wednesday 30th May - May Day Celebrations - everyone welcome at school from 1.30pm

Wednesday 30th May - no construction club

Wednesday 30th May - netball match at Sidmouth Primary School

Thursday 31st May - no textile club

Friday 1st June - whole school photograph (note this is a change of date)

Friday 1st June - Jubilee Lunch provided by the kitchen

Friday 1st June - Jubilee Party see below for further details

Friday 1st June - last day before holidays

Monday 11th June - return to school

Tuesday 12th June - Church Service at St Winifred's Church at 2.45pm - everyone welcome.

Wednesday 13th June - afternoon - whole school walk with Kate from the National Trust.

Wednesday 27th June - The Mix Festival (provisional)

Wednesday 27th June - Year 6 Woodroffe visit day

Monday 2nd July - Monday to Friday cycling week.

Thursday 5th July - Class 1 trip to Seaton Nature Reserve

Monday 9th July - Wednesday 11th July - Year 6 Sidmouth College Induction

Tuesday 10th July - Sidmouth College - parents' meeting

Saturday 14th July - School Summer Fete at Branscombe Village Hall from 2.30 - 4.30pm.

Wednesday 18th July - school play

Friday 20th July - 9.15 Leavers service at St Winifred's Church - everyone welcome.

Friday 20th July - last day of term

Netball Club

On **Wednesday 30th May** the Netball team will be able to take part in a match at Sidmouth Primary School. If any parents are able to help transport children to the match please speak to Claire Graysmark. Children will need to be picked up from the Woolbrook Road site at 4.30pm. All children attending will need to have completed and returned an SOE 3 form. Unfortunately there was an error in the date on the form that was sent out. If you have completed and returned one of these forms please could we ask you to sign the form at the bottom of the newsletter and return it.

Our Eco Greenhouse

We have almost finished the greenhouse but still need more bottles. Please bring any large plastic bottle in **as soon as possible** in order that we can complete the project.

Sun Protection

You will find attached a sun protection letter. Please note the detail of this letter to keep your children protected from the sun. Please also ensure that children bring a water bottle to school. **This should contain water and not juice, squash or fizzy drinks, thank you.**

Branscombe Jubilee Celebrations

There are a number of activities taking place in Branscombe for the Jubilee Weekend. On Saturday the Cricket Club are organising an event from 2pm, there will be cricket activities, a bar, BBQ, cake stall and raffle and then from 5 until 7pm there will be favourite tunes in the Village Hall.

On Sunday there is a special church service at 11.15 followed by a Teddy Bears' Picnic at 12.30 at the Village Hall. There will also be family fun, tug of war, and quizzes. At 2pm Branscombe children will be presented with a mug and at 3 pm there will be bell ringing. At 3.30 the Jubilee Plaque will be unveiled at the Village Hall and at 5pm a Jubilee Tree will be planted in the Coronation Gardens.

On Monday 4th June there will be activities on the beach from 4.30pm and the Sea Shanty will be open for food until late. At 10.30pm the Beacon will be lit on East Cliff.

Ticks

It is that time of year again when ticks are around and the children are out and about in the field. As yet we have not had any reports of ticks on children. We do not wish to stop children playing in the field and therefore you may wish to send children with long trousers and a long sleeved top to wear at lunch time. Please check your children for ticks and if you are concerned contact your doctor for advice.

Parenting course

Being a parent can feel like 50% guilt and 50% worry!

If you're on your own or in a stepfamily it's even more challenging.

Why not come along to an informal series of parenting sessions where you can chat through common problems with other parents and get some tips on how to survive!

This is for mums, dads, single parents, step-parents, partners, working parents or carers.

It's free. Refreshments will be provided.

The course will be held at Sidmouth Primary School starting Wednesday 13th June 10am-11.45am, and is aimed at parents/carers of Junior school aged children

Please call Tracey Tipton, Parent Support Adviser, on 07540 668525 or email her at ttiption@sidmouth-primary.devon.sch.uk to book a place.

PTFA

There will be a PTFA meeting on Monday 28th May at 9am. The agenda is as follows:

1. Minutes from last meeting and procedures for future meetings
2. Umbrella PTFA
3. Clubs - robotic club
4. Summer fair
5. Leavers' party - presents for leavers
6. Fund raising project
7. Future meeting dates
8. Any other business

Branscombe Pre-school

We are sad to learn that Tracey will be leaving Pre-School at the end of the Summer Term as she has been offered a full time position elsewhere. Pre-school are looking to recruit a new leader to start in September. If you are interested, or you know of anyone else who may be interested, then the job will be advertised on the Devon website (www.devonjobs.gov.uk) or you can call Nicola on 01297 680339 for details or contact branscombepreschool@hotmail.co.uk.

Netball match

I _____ understand that there was an error in the SOE3 form for the netball match and note that I have seen that the correct date is Wednesday 30th May 2012.

Signed _____