# BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 05-27 FRIDAY <sup>31st</sup> MARCH

### **Easter Service**

A reminder that there will be an Easter Service for the whole of the school community on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April. The service will take place at St Winifred's Church at 9.30am. It is hoped that as many parents and friends of the children will be able to join us at the Church.

#### **Fashion Show**

St. Winifred's Church is planning to hold a Fashion Show of ladies' and children's wear on July 10<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall. The clothes will be 'end-of-range' and 'seconds' from stores like M & S and will be available to buy at the end of the evening. PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW!

We shall be seeking young mums to be models (sizes 10 to 16) and girls and boys aged 5-11, so if your children have aspirations to be on the catwalk, please let me know; or if you think you could help in other ways, I'd like to hear from you. Models would have to be available from 5.30 that afternoon.

Thank you Joan Titley, 01395 513292

### **Website Forms**

I've received lots of positive comments about our new website. If you haven't yet visited the site the address is <a href="http://www.branscombe.devon.sch.uk/">http://www.branscombe.devon.sch.uk/</a>

Many of the forms e.g. absence forms and Breakfast Club Booking Forms are on the site, as are the weekly newsletters.

IT IS VITAL THAT IF YOU HAVEN'T YET RETURNED THE 'WEBSITE PHOTO PERMISSION SLIPS' BACK TO SCHOOL YOU DO SO ASAP

## **Dinner Money**

Early next week please look out for a new policy that we will be sending home with the children. This was agreed by the governors this week and is connected to ensuring an efficient way of paying dinner money. This new policy will be adhered to strictly after the Easter Holidays.

# **Library Books**

Please ensure that all library books that your children currently have on loan are returned to the library by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. We will be carrying out a 'stock take'. Although we do not like the children to be without a book over the holidays, if we collect them in now we will be in a position to ensure children do have books for the long summer holiday.

#### Football Club

We have had a tremendous response for the Football Club. It is now likely that there will be a small charge for the club and hope to be able to confirm how much this will be by next Friday. If there are any parents who would be able to help walk the children down to the Village Hall at 3.30pm please inform Dawn.

## **Sponsored Walk**

We are hopeful that the walk will still be able to take place on Wednesday at 1pm starting from school. However, if it continues to rain over the weekend it is likely that the route will be too muddy. If this is the case we will postpone the event until the summer term

If the walk goes ahead the children will need to come to school on Wednesday in clothes suitable to walk in. They will need to wear several layers of clothes, walking trousers (not jeans), a waterproof coat and hat and gloves etc. The children will need to bring a pair of wellies to school in a plastic bag and asthma inhalers if appropriate.

We would encourage parents and friends to join us on the walk. If you are bringing a dog please ensure it is on a lead at all times. We will return to school at approximately 3pm where refreshments will be served. Please do not take your child home until you have told the class teacher that you are leaving.



Branscombe Preschool has increased its childcare provision and will run on the following days and times with effect from Easter:

| Monday  | 9.00 - 12.00 |              |
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| Tuesday | 9.00 - 12.00 | 12.00 - 3.00 |
| Friday  | 9.00 - 12.00 | 12.00 - 3.00 |

The Preschool takes children from the age of 3 and accepts the early years funding grant which is payable the term after your child's  $3^{rd}$  birthday and is for 5 sessions of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours. Please note that if your child attends both morning and afternoon sessions on a Tuesday or Friday then a small charge will be made for the lunch club provision.

If you have a child who will be 3 in the Summer or the Autumn term and would like more information about the Preschool, please complete the form below and return to the School Office. Gillian Cole, Louisa Merritt or Jo Hemery will contact you to answer any questions you have and to arrange for you to pop in and see the Preschool in action!

| Name:  |              | •••••         | Tel No:         |  |
|--|--------------|---------------|-----------------|--|
| Name of Child :  |              | Child's D.O.B |                 |  |
| It would be helpful for us if you could indicate which sessions you are interested in: |              |               |                 |  |
| Monday   | 9.00 – 12.00 |               |                 |  |
| Tuesday  | 9.00 – 12.00 | Tuesda        | ay 12.00 – 3.00 |  |
| Friday   | 9.00 – 12.00 | Friday        | 12.00 – 3.00    |  |
| Many thanks.   |              |               |                 |  |