BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 07/08 21a Friday 15th February 2007

This week's winning 'Knot Team' was the Bowline Team.



Air Ambulance

The latest Air Ambulance Junior Crew magazine has been sent out with today's newsletter.

Recipe Book.

A reminder from last week's newsletter about the recipe book. If you would like to do some cooking with your child over the half term holiday and take photos of the process we would be most appreciative.

You will remember that last term we were hoping to produce a Branscombe School Recipe book. Unfortunately we only had a hand full of healthy recipes and photos sent into school. The printer's artist however, has done some work on the format of the book which we have printed below. We are really pleased with the design and hope that this will inspire more families to do some cooking over half term. Please send any contributions into school after half term, preferably by email to admin@branscombe.devon.sch.uk or memory stick. For each page we need the ingredients, method and what you like about the recipe. We also need photos of the cooking process, the finished product and the children eating the healthy meal.



Allotment

We are sending home with this newsletter a seed tray for each family. We hope that you will be able to plant some seeds of your choice (vegetables or flowers) and in about 6 weeks time return the tray to school so that we can plant them in the pots at school or at the new allotment. Please keep the packets of seeds with each plant so that we know what has been grown!

There will be another chance to work on the allotment this weekend. A path will be constructed and raspberries planted. If you wish to help, please meet at the allotment at 1.30pm on Saturday.

We are very excited about all the developments with the allotment, however, please could you discuss with your children that they must only go into the allotment area with a member of school staff or with a governor. The allotment area is shared with local residents and we must respect their peace and produce!

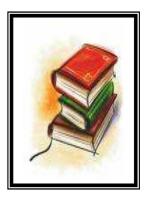
Lunch Time Activities

We are keen to be able to take groups of children to the tennis courts or field during lunch times to increase the types of activities that the children can take part in. However, to do this we need a much higher number of lunch time staff. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to assist during one or more lunchtimes please come and talk to Mrs Gray. This is a paid position although several of our current meal time assistants are volunteers.

Advance information World Book Day - Thursday March 6th 2008

Branscombe School are going to celebrate World Book Day this year. The children are invited to come to school as a character from a book. A charge of £1 will be made which will go towards new books for the Library. *The children must carry with them a copy of the book containing the character they have chosen to be*. Everyone will participate in a parade around the playground.

After the holiday children will be receiving free £1.00 Book Tokens that can be exchanged for specially published books, available from bookshops participating in World Book Day.



PTFA

Thank you to everyone for supplying the food for the Valentine's Disco on Wednesday. We have had many comments from parents and children about how much the evening was enjoyed.

Class 1

The children had a lovely time at Mr Selway's farm on Wednesday and we would like to thank him and Jessica again for giving up their time to show the class how to look after lambs.

Class 3 – Music

As you will know the children have been visiting Sidbury School recently to work on a joint singing project in connection with Exeter Cathedral School. We are pleased to give you further details of this exciting project.

The children will join with other schools for a concert in Exeter Cathedral on Saturday 8th March. We hope that all the children in class 3 will be able to take part in the concert and that parents will wish to attend.

To help with the organisation of the concert please would you fill in the attached form and send this back to school on the first day back after half term – Monday25th February.

If your child does wish to take part he or she will need to arrive at the Cathedral at 2pm (please note the school is not arranging transport for this activity). The children will then be involved in final rehearsals. At 3.45 the children will have a break and they can bring some refreshments to have at this time. School staff will be at the Cathedral during the rehearsal time and parents are free to go and do some shopping in Exeter!

At 4.30pm the concert will begin and it is anticipated that this will last for approximately 50 minutes, with the children free to leave at about 5.30pm.

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Class 3 Music Concert

My child......will be taking part in the music concert at Exeter Cathedral on Saturday 8th March. There will also be.....members of our family attending the Cathedral to watch the concert.

Signed.....parent/guardian.

We hope that you all have a lovely half term holiday and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 25th February.