

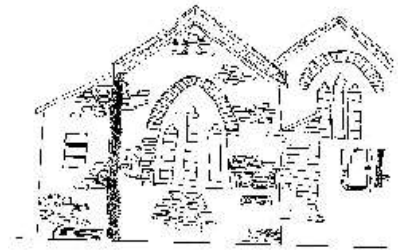
**BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**NEWSLETTER 12 / 13 15**  
**Friday 11th January 2013**



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



**The Branscombe Waves**



Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! Welcome back to the Spring Term at school, we hope you all had a great Christmas and are feeling refreshed!

The teachers have some lovely things planned linked to the new topics and the children are already showing lots of enthusiasm for their learning. In Class 1 this term the children are looking at Homes and in Class 2 the children will be studying India. We are sending home today the topic web sheet for each of these areas. Please contact the class teachers if you feel you can help in any way with the ideas they have planned.

Our Collective Worship theme this term is Wisdom. We will be including some ideas in some of the newsletters for how you can consider this value at home. Sometimes this will be in the form of ideas for discussion and sometimes fun activities such as word searches. I hope you find them thought provoking and fun.

The weather forecast over the coming weeks is looking rather frosty! Please could you ensure that we have your most recent contact details. If you have changed your number recently please feel free to email any changes over the weekend to [admin@branscombe.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@branscombe.devon.sch.uk) in case we need them first thing Monday morning! In the event of a school closure we will aim to contact Breakfast Club families by 7.30am and other families by 8am. We will also try to get announcements made on Radio Devon and Heart FM. Thank you for your support with this.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

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

**Key Dates** –Mrs Gray will be in school on Monday and Friday next week

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January** – Lunchtime clubs start

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January** – Netball Tournament at Honiton Leisure Centre

### School Clubs

The following lunchtime clubs will start next week:

- Computer                      Friday lunchtime
- Ukulele                         Wednesday lunchtime

Please complete the permission slips below if your child/children would like to attend. Construction, Netball and Textile after school clubs will start the week after half term. Such a variety of interesting activities!

### Wisdom

This is our new Collective Worship Value this term. We would love feedback about any discussions / games that are suggested in the newsletters. If the children write or draw anything we could display this.

#### TALK ABOUT WISDOM TOGETHER...

**Wisdom** is different from just being clever. Often wise people have lots of experience and can give good advice to help us make difficult decisions. Some people pray because they believe that God can help them to live their lives **wisely**.

Talk together about:

- Making **wise** choices
- The consequences of our words and actions
- Learning **wisdom** from others – including children from parents and parents from children
- Learning from our mistakes and becoming **wiser** through them

### Snail and the Whale

The children will remember their fun trip to the Northcott Theatre to see the Snail and the Whale for many years. As you know the PTFA funded this trip and we are grateful to the families who already contributed towards the costs. It's not too late to donate! Please give money (a suggested amount of £5 per child) to PTFA committee members or bring them into school in a **labelled, sealed envelope marked PTFA Theatre Trip Contribution**, so that money doesn't get muddled with school funds. The envelopes can be placed in the box in the entrance hall. Please make cheques payable to Branscombe School PTFA.

### **Swimming for Class 2**

The children in class 2 will be starting a 6 week block of swimming lessons on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January at Sidmouth Swimming Pool. More details next week.

### **Netball Tournament**

Our Netball Team are playing again next Tuesday! Players will have a S0E3 form in their book bags for parents to complete. Parent transport to Honiton Leisure Centre will be arranged but children will need to be collected at 6.00pm by parents. Please let school know if you can help transport children to Honiton after school. We look forward to hearing how the games go.

### **Waitrose donates money to Branscombe Pre School**

Waitrose have chosen the preschool as one of their charity's for January. Please drop your green tokens into their box and spread the word to all your friends and family. The more green tokens the more money Waitrose donates to them. But please be quick as the charity will change at the end of January.

### **Lyme Youth Theatre**

Lyme Youth Theatre starts its new term at 10.00am on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January at the Church Hall just up the road from the Marine Theatre. They are looking for new members. For more details please call 01297 442394 or email [lyt@marinetheatre.com](mailto:lyt@marinetheatre.com) for details.

### **Consultation on Devon School Admissions**

Some families with younger children have been using the Devon admissions web site recently. Devon school admission authorities are holding a consultation regarding their admission processes on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2013. They are interested to hear any comments from interested parties including parents. If you have any queries or comments, including suggestions for changes please send them to:

School Admissions Consultation  
Strategic Support and Policy Officer

Room 120  
County Hall  
Exeter  
EX2 4QG

Or send and an email the address listed at

<http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements>

### **Computer Club**

My child/children \_\_\_\_\_  
would like to attend computer club on Thursday lunchtimes.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Ukulele Club**

My child/children \_\_\_\_\_  
would like to attend ukulele club on Wednesday lunchtimes.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_