

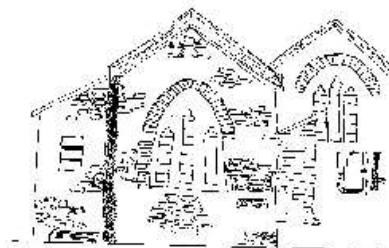


BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Friday 7th February 2014

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



The Branscombe Waves



Mrs Gray has been off sick for much of this week. She is looking forward to returning to work on Monday. She would like to thank all staff, parents and children for all their help and understanding during a tricky week due to all the adverse weather conditions.

Questions for the week

Class 1: Can we sort living creatures into groups? How many groups would we need?

Class 2: What do you think it would be like to be the first person to step on the moon?

Key Dates:

Mrs Gray will be in school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next week.

Friday 7th and Saturday 8th February – Branscombe Pantomime

Monday 10th February – Service at St Winifred's Church, **2.45pm** parents and friends welcome.

Tuesday 11th February – Class 1 visit to Donkey Sanctuary (**note date change**)

Wednesday 12th and Friday 14th February School Meals menu changes

Thursday 13th February – Gymnastics for the whole school
– Third Godly Play session

Friday 14th February – Last day of term

Monday 24th February – First day back after half term

Tuesday 4th March – Parents Evening

Wednesday 5th March – First construction club, first netball club (permission slips below)

Thursday 6th March – First textile club (permission slip below)

Friday 4th April– Percussion assembly. 9.15 in Class 1, parents welcome – Please note this will replace our usual Sharing Assembly in the afternoon.

Bad Weather Policy

In light of events this week, we thought it would be a good idea to remind everybody of our policy for bad weather. Key points are as follows:

- Once a decision has been made regarding the closure of the school we will phone all parents.
- We will then attempt to get a message onto Heart Radio and Radio Devon.
- If possible a notice will be placed outside school (preferably at the bottom of School Lane) to say that school is closed.

If school opens in the morning but the weather forecast is not good Mrs Gray will regularly monitor the forecast and outside conditions. If it becomes likely that it will be difficult for children to get home at the normal end of school day arrangements will be made in good time to contact parents to advise you of an early closure.

Please, please ensure that your contact details are always up to date at school so that we are able to contact you in such circumstances.

Class 1 trip to Donkey Sanctuary

This will take place on Tuesday 11th February. Class 1 parents will have received a letter with further details and a reply slip regarding transport arrangements. If you are able to help with transport please indicate this on the permission slip or notify Mr Ford.

An SOE3 permission form will be sent out today, and **must** be returned by **Tuesday morning** in order for your child to attend the trip.

Key reminders:

- All children will need a **packed lunch and drinks**.
- Children do not need to wear uniform, but should wear **warm clothing with waterproofs and wellies** as they will be outside much of the time.
- Please make sure your child arrives at school with their **car seat** on Tuesday morning if you are not helping with the transport.
- Please collect your child from the Donkey Sanctuary at **2.45pm**.

If the weather is bad the children may return to school early, in which case we will let you know to pick them up from school at the usual home time. **(Please notify us of the best contact number to reach you on, on Tuesday afternoon.)**

After school clubs

Construction club, netball club and textile club will all be restarting the second week after half term.

Netball club will run on Wednesdays from 3.15-4.15pm, and is open to year 2 upwards.

Construction club will run on Wednesdays from 3.15-4.15pm, and is open to year 1 upwards.

Textiles club will run on Thursdays from 3.15-4.15pm, and is open to year 2 upwards. Spaces will be limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Parents should please collect children from classroom 3 upstairs at 4.15pm.

Percussion Assembly

As you will know, Class 2 have been enjoying percussion lessons on Friday mornings. These lessons are due to carry on up until Easter. For their final session, Class 2 would love to show you all how much they have learned. On Friday 4th April, we will be moving the Sharing Assembly to 9am rather than after school, so that you can come and see them perform.

Construction Club

I give my child permission to attend

Construction club on **Wednesday** afternoons between 3.15 and 4.15pm starting on Wednesday 5th March.

Netball Club

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Textiles Club

I give my child permission to attend Textiles

club on **Thursday** afternoons between 3.15 and 4.15pm starting on Thursday 6th March.