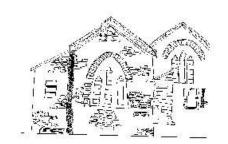
BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 13 / 14 31 Friday 4th July 2014







Dear Parents,

This weekend is the culmination of lots of planning and preparation by the PTFA. I am very grateful for all the hours of hard work that go into making our Summer Fair and Disco evening such a success. Thank you to all the parents and friends of the school who help on Saturday in any way.

The members of construction club have enjoyed the benefits of the PTFA's efforts this week. Their new 'Brio' construction sets arrived in school and they used them for the first time. I gather that the children were engrossed in creating their new models.

Our Exe Valley Challenge teams did us proud last weekend! Mrs Crawford would like to say thank you to all the team members for their determination and perseverance and to the parents for their help with transport and support on the day. A special thank you to Louisa for helping with the practice walk. The results were outstanding. Meggy, Daisy and Daisy came 34th out of 54 teams. Felix, Izzy, Marlon and Finn came 13th overall but 2nd in the mixed junior group category. Well done everybody!

The whole staff team have been busy preparing the children's end of year reports over the last few weeks. You should receive this early next week – so please check your child's book bag!

On Friday 18th July and Monday 21st July Miss Rachel Moss, our new Class 2 teacher, will be visiting the school. Please come and say 'hello' to her and have a chat!

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School

Questions for the week

Class 1: Do you know any plants that can be used as medicines or cures?

Class 2: We have been learning about the heart and exercise. What activities do you do that make your heart stronger?

Key Dates:

Due to end of term events across the federation as well as meetings linked to the many changes that are happening in education from September e.g. new curriculum, new Special Needs Expectations, Mrs Gray will not be following her usual pattern of working across the federation over the next couple of weeks. **She hopes to be at Branscombe on Tuesday and some of Thursday next week.** If you need to contact her at any other times please don't hesitate to call Broadhembury, ask staff to get a message to her, or contact her by email on headteacher@branscombe.devon.sch.uk

Saturday 5th July Bishop's procession, St Stephen's Church, Exeter,

1.15pm

Summer Fair at Branoc Hall, 11-2pm

Disco and Live band (Branoc Hall) 6.30-11.15pm

Monday 14th July Open evening, 3.30-4.30pm

Friday 18th July Year 6 Leavers play performance at the village hall

(1.45pm). Details below.

Wednesday 23rd July Last day of term

Leavers' service (pm)

Whole School Photos

Envelopes for ordering photos will be given out today. Our school copies of both the group photo and the Y6 leavers photo are on display in the entrance hall (on the shelf just outside the office).

Year 6 Leavers Play

KS2 will be performing their play *Going for Goal* on Friday 18th July at 1.45pm. Parents are warmly invited to come and watch the children perform. Please make sure you are at the village hall promptly so that we can begin at 1.45pm.

Open Evening

On Monday 14th July please come along to our Open Evening. This will be a chance to look at your child's work and the displays around the school. It is also an opportunity to discuss any matters you wish to raise about your child's end of year report with the class teacher. Please do drop in anytime between 3.30-4.30pm.

Menu change – 9th July Cornish Menu

The kitchen have informed us that on 9th July there will be a change in the menu. It will have a Cornish theme, with Cornish Pasty or Cheese and Onion Pasty being the

main meal and vegetarian meal choices, followed by Cornish Fairing biscuits for pudding.

1st Sid Vale Scouts Summer Fete

This will take place on Sunday 13th July, 11-4pm at the Ham in Sidmouth. There will be lots of stalls and activities including a bouncy castle, face painting and Llamas.

Library books

Please could parents and children make sure that all school library books are returned to school by Wed 16th July. This will allow us to do our yearly stock-take, and reduce the risk of books being lost over the summer holidays. Thank you.

Please look for....

Ismay has some missing school uniform (1 cardigan and 2 sweatshirts) and she would be very grateful if everyone could check at home that they haven't picked her items up by mistake. They are all named. Thank you for your help.