BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 12 / 13 03

Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

Agatha: for settling into school well. Felicity: for settling into school well. Jake: for continued effort throughout the holidays. Daisy: for settling in well at his new school.



Dear Parents

Term is now well under way in both schools. One of the things I love about working across the two schools is coming back after a few days at the other site and noticing all the new things the children have created or the steps they have made in their learning. This week a jungle had been created in the Branscombe Class 1 outdoor learning area and an army of Roman Soldiers with their shields in tortoise formation greeting me in the Broadhembury playground!

Both schools have featured in their local papers this week in connection with the formation of The Jubilee Federation. All parents should have received a letter this week about the planned Celebration Event for the federation's launch. The trip will be to Bicton College for a day focused on team building activities and it will take place on 1st October. If you need another copy of the information letter or medical form please ask at the school office.

God bless and we hope you have a lovely weekend. Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School.

Key Dates – Mrs Gray will be in school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week.

Sunday 23rd September 11.15am - Harvest Service at St. Winifred's Church, Branscombe. Everyone welcome.

Tuesday 25th September - Sidmouth College Open Day.

Thursday 27th September - Woodroffe School Open Day.

Friday 28th September - Last day to return Puffin Bookclub orders.

Sunday 30th September - All Age Service at St Winifred's Church.

Monday 8th October - Sports Day, details coming soon.

Monday 8^{th} October - Cake sale and second hand uniform sale.

Wednesday 10th October 6pm - New Principal at Sidmouth College, Kenny Duncan, visiting to speak with year 5 and 6 parents.

Wednesday 24th October - 2.45 Church Service - all welcome. Please pick children up from Church.

Thursday 25th October - Last day of school before half term holiday.

Harvest Festival.

A reminder that the Harvest Festival will take place at St Winifred's Church this Sunday at 11.15am. Please join us for the service if you can. The children will be reading a poem about the apple harvest.

Textile Club

Textile Club will start again from next Thursday 27th September. It will run from 3.15 to 4.15 in the upstairs classroom. Please could parents come up to the classroom to collect their children, it then gives the opportunity for you to see what they have been doing. We may have to limit numbers if too many children wish to do textiles this term. Any queries please ask Glynis.

Early Morning Reading Club.

A new Early Morning Reading Club will commence next Monday 24th September. This is for Key Stage 2 pupils who should for the first week bring a book of their choice into school. Mrs. Crawford will then discuss with the children ideas for future weeks. It will meet every school day from 8:30. There is no charge for this club. Please complete the permission form below if you wish your child/children to attend.

Cookery Club.

The Cookery Club is now open to Year 4 as well as Year 3. Children may need to bring some ingredients. Please complete the permission form below if you wish your child/children to attend.

Second Hand Uniform Sale.

The School Council will be selling second hand uniform at the usual cake sale on Monday 5th November. Please bring any items of uniform you can donate to the school office. We appreciate everyone who helps at our sales; there is a list of volunteers for the cake sale in the school foyer. All proceeds from both sales go to the Community Fund.

School T-Towels.

Many parents have purchased our school t-towels already. They make great gifts and the proceeds go to the Community Fund. We have more available; please buy yours from the school office: just \pounds 2.60 for one and \pounds 5 for two.

Newsletters by Email.

We have the facility to send you your newsletter via email. Please complete the form below with your email address if you would like this. Email is, of course, more environmentally friendly but we are happy to continue sending paper versions if you prefer.

All Age Service.

There will be an All Age Service at St Winifred's Church on Sunday 30th September at 11.15am. Everyone is welcome.

Sidmouth College Open Day.

Sidmouth College is holding an Open Day on Tuesday 25th September. There are two sessions. The first is from 9:30am to 12:30pm and includes a tour of lessons taking place in classrooms. The second is from 5pm to 7:30pm and includes displays of pupils work. There is no need to book but it is advisable to arrive on time to hear the welcome talk by the Principal, Kenny Duncan. The sessions may be attended by both parents and their children. For more information please call Sidmouth College directly on 01395 514823. Please could you ensure Mrs. Crawford is informed prior to the day if you are intending to take your child to the morning session?

Woodroffe School Open Day.

Woodroffe School is hosting an Open Day on Thursday 27th September from 9:30am to 12.30pm. On Wednesday 12th June there is a Year 6 Parents' Meeting and on Wednesday 26th June a Year 6 Visit Day. No appointments are necessary for these events. For more information please contact the Woodroffe School directly on 01297 442232. Please could you ensure Mrs. Crawford is informed prior to the day if you are intending to take your child out of school to attend Woodroffe events? There is also a Visual Arts Aptitude Test on Saturday 29th September; details for this event are published on their web site, www.woodroffe.dorset.sch.uk, within the Admissions link.

Fireworks Fundraiser.

This event takes place on Sunday 23rd September at Branscombe Village Hall from 1.30pm. Fun activities for all the family include jumble, toys, books, cakes and car washing. Proceeds go towards the Branscombe Fireworks display. Some year 6 pupils are members of the youth group and you may see them there helping. For more information please about this event please talk to Nicky or Shaleen.

Puffin Book Club.

Please remember to submit your Puffin Book Club orders by Friday 28th September. You can either order your books online (www.puffinbookclub.co.uk), or give your order to the School Office. If you order online please enter our school name and post code in the delivery address. Books will then arrive at school approximately 7 days later.

School Railings - Safety Plea.

Please do not let your children climb on the railings around the school when you are bringing them to school and at the end of the day. We have noticed since the beginning of term that several children are also walking along the top of the wall next to the lane. There is no fence to stop the children from falling from the wall onto the road and we do not want any nasty accidents. Please help us to reinforce this advice; we want to keep our children safe.

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