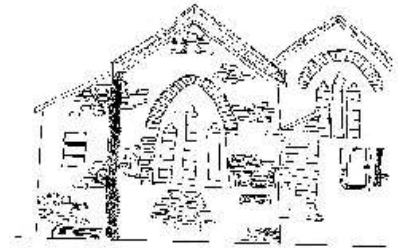




BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

Freya: Being a great ambassador of all the "Branscombe Waves"

Annabelle: Great concentration and commitment to learning

Hayden: handwriting progress and presentation

Dear Parents,

This week was our first National Trust session of this term. Class 2 had the opportunity to go exploring using GPS devices on a "Geo-caching" treasure hunt around Branscombe. Suzie had pinned stars containing letters



for the children to collect and pre-programmed their locations into the devices. The children had to use the device to locate the stars, then decipher the word they spelled out to find the location of a hidden treasure box. We

noticed that we used our skills of communication, collaboration, creativity, curiosity and commitment in this activity. In the afternoon,



Class 1 investigated the homes of mini-beast families. Having talked about places where they might be found, they went hunting and managed to find various creatures living in families, such as ants, snails and woodlice. It was an extremely cold day so lots of the bugs were hiding, but the children did very well to keep working hard despite the conditions.

Next week Class 2 will be visiting the Mosque, the Cathedral and South Street Baptist Church in Exeter to learn about the culture and beliefs of others. You will have received an SOE3 for this trip, please make sure that this is returned to the office by Tuesday (with a voluntary contribution of £7 per child) in order for your child to take part.



Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

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

Questions of the Week

Class 1: Where in the United Kingdom or abroad do your extended family members live? Please look again at the people you told me about last week and write their names again with the name of the places where they live.

Class 2: What have you used or could you use a thermometer for? Remember to ask your family for their ideas too!

Key Dates:

Mrs Gray will be in school on Monday next week.

Miss Prince will be spending her Head of Teaching and Learning day (Thursday) at Branscombe next week.

Wednesday 27th Jan	Class 2 trip to Exeter Mosque
Thursday 28th Jan	Ethos team trip to Sidmouth Primary
Sunday 31st Jan	All age service in Branscombe Church at 11:15 – all are welcome!!
Tuesday 9th Feb	Pancake races
Friday 12th Feb	Last day before half term holiday

Dinners Reminder

Please remember that school meals now need to be ordered by the Friday (at 9am) prior to the week that the meals will be taken. Thank you.

Collective Worship



READ TOGETHER...

The Widow's Mite

Jesus had been teaching in the Temple. But now he sat down near the treasury and watched as the many visitors to the Temple passed by and dropped money into the collecting box to help with God's work.

The rich men dressed in fine robes threw in handfuls of coins as they passed, without a thought. But then a poor widow came by, paused, and placed just two mites (tiny coins) into the box.

Jesus called his disciples to him and told them what he had seen.

Then he said to them, "Let me tell you, this poor widow gave more than all those people who threw many coins into the treasury. The wealthy men gave just a small part of their riches which made no difference to them. But the widow gave all that she had."

You see, God is more interested in what is in the heart of the giver than the size of their gift.

Bible story based on Mark 12:41-44