

BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 11 / 12 30 Friday 11th May 2012

Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

Nicole: for listening very carefully and trying very hard. Jamie: for working very hard during number time and with his phonics.

Josie: for brilliant work in maths.

Jed: for continued effort and success in maths.



Dear Parents,

It was lovely to hear that the children enjoyed the Fossil Festival and that they were all so well behaved. Thank you to the staff and parents and PTFA for making the trip possible.

The children have been busy creating the school's contributions for the Diamond Jubilee tree. The diamonds they have produced are very effective and I'm sure will look great hanging on the tree outside the Village Hall.

As you are probably aware, next week is assessment week for all children in Class 2. We will conduct the tests in as relaxed a way as possible so that the children are able to give of their best. Please support us in this by ensuring they get to bed early and arrive at school on time. It is essential that children attend school next week unless they feel particularly unwell or have a stomach upset or other contagious illness. Please could all Class 2 children bring in a water bottle with a sports top and a break time fruit snack next week. Thank you for your support this week.

Class 1 assessments do not take place in a specific week and are done on a much more low key basis over the following few weeks.

God bless and we hope you have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend. Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School. Key Dates – Mrs Gray will be in school on Thursday and Friday. Monday 14th May - cake sale Tuesday 29th May - return bags of clothes to school for PTFA fundraising Wednesday 30th May - May Day Celebrations - everyone welcome at school from 1.30pm **Friday 1st June** - whole school photograph (note this is a change of date) Friday 1st June - last day before holidays Monday 11th June - return to school Tuesday 12th June - Church Service at St Winifred's Church at 2.45pm - everyone welcome. Wednesday 27th June - Year 6 Woodroffe visit day Monday 2nd July - Bikeability Thursday 5th July - class 1 trip to Seaton Nature Reserve Monday 9th July - Wednesday 11th July - Year 6 Sidmouth College Induction Tuesday 10th July - Sidmouth College - parents' meeting Saturday 14th July - School Summer Fete at Branscombe Village Hall from 2.30 - 4.30pm. Friday 20th July - 9.15 Leavers service at St Winifred's Church - everyone welcome. Friday 20th July - last day of term

Bike Checks

In last week's newsletter we talked about the Cycling Week we will be holding in July. We are trying to plan a series of events for the week and wondered how many parents would take up the offer of bike maintenance checks. The checks themselves would probably be free but maintenance work that is needed would be charged to parents. Please indicate on the slip below how many bikes you would like to get checked. The bikes would need to be transported to school for the checks.

Bikeability

During the Cycling Week we hope to take the Year 5 and 6 children to an area where the Bikeability award can be done, but also to teach them how to ride in the Branscombe lanes as we feel this is a very important part of the training as it's where many of the children are likely to ride. The week is very much in the planning stages at the moment but it would be helpful to know how many Year 5 and Year 6 children would like to take part in the training. Even if they have done Bikeability as an outside school course they could still do the Branscombe village training. The children will need their own bike and helmet to take part. Please fill in the form below if your child is interested.

St Winifred's Church

Rogation Sunday service will take place on May 13th at the Village Hall at 3pm. Rogation Sunday is when we ask for God's blessing upon the gardens and farms of our parish. Everyone is welcome and there will be refreshments afterwards.

On Sunday June 3rd at 11.15 am there will be a service to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee. **It would be lovely to see lots of school families at these services**.

Football Club

The six week club has now ended. Andy has offered to run another six week course if enough children are interested, this is likely to start in a few weeks time, dates will be confirmed. Please complete the slip below if your child is interested.

Sainsbury's and Tesco vouchers

The time has come to count the vouchers and place our orders. Class 1 will be helping to count the vouchers so please bring in any vouchers you may have on Monday.

School Meals

On Wednesday 23rd May the kitchen is doing a Spanish Lunch. The options on that day are chicken paella or vegetarian paella. Jacket potatoes and packed lunches will still be available.

On Friday 2nd July the kitchen will be doing a Jubilee Garden Party theme so there will be packed lunches with ham and cheese rolls, chicken or quorn nuggets, salad, jelly, jubilee cakes.

PTFA

The next cake sale will take place after school on Monday 14th May. Nikki has kindly volunteered but another volunteer is needed. Please speak to Caroline Reynolds or Nikki if you can help out.

The School Summer Fete will take place at the Village Hall on Saturday 14th July from 2.30 until 4.30pm.

Bikeability - Year 5 or Year 6

I would like my child...... to take part in the proposed Bikeability Training. I confirm they have a bike and helmet which can be transported to school for the event. I understand more information will be received from school shortly.

Signed (parent)

Bike checks

I _____ would be interested in bike checks for _____ number of bikes.

Football Club

My child(ren) ______ Would be interested in taking part in football club.