

BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 10/11 05 Friday 8th October 2010

Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

Michal - for being a hard worker and doing his best. Jessica - for being a hard worker and doing her best with descriptive writing.

Finn - for being a hard worker and doing his best.

Joshua - for being friendly, having fun and playing together well.



Dear Parents,

We've managed to get through the week despite all the bugs that are around at the moment! Thank you to all the parents who attended the Parent Workshop on Monday afternoon with Mr Maxwell-Batten, we hope you found it interesting and useful.

Last week the school was presented with some computer memory sticks by the Branscombe Airfield, these were purchased from the proceeds of their Air Day. This very kind donation means that the computers in the ICT suite can be used more flexibly by all our pupils. We are very grateful to the Airfield for their continuing support.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

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

Parents' Evening

Thank you to all those parents who have sent reply slips for the Parents' Evening next Wednesday. We will confirm appointment times on Monday.

Wassailing Event

Advance notice that the National Trust are putting on a Wassailing Event on Saturday January 15th. The school is going to take part in the event so please put this date into your diary. We are hoping that the children will be involved with composing and performing a song and creating some art work for the event.

Year 6 Secondary School Information

There is a copy of a letter I received about Woodroffe School coming home to Year 6 pupils with this newsletter.

Class 2 Organisation

Some parents have been asking for confirmation about which days each teacher is in Class 2. The usual pattern (bugs permitting!) is Mrs Crawford teaches the class on Monday, Tuesday and Friday all day. Mrs Gray teaches the class on Wednesday morning and Thursday all day. Mrs Crawford teaches the class on Wednesday afternoon but Mrs Gray takes groups out for specific 'booster' activities. We hope this helps.

Welly Walk

Thank you to all those pupils who have decorated the Welly Boot outline we sent out last week. It would be great to have some actual decorated Wellies to add to the display! Please keep collecting the sponsorship ready for the walk on 20th October.

Collective Worship

In our Collective Worship we are now following a programme related to 'Values'. This term the value we have been talking to the children about is Courage. It has been lovely to see examples of the children having courage in their day to day lives. This week we talked about having the courage to stick up for what you believe is right and I know that some children have put this into practice and shown kindness to others in difficult situations. Well done children. If you have any other examples of this at home, we would love to hear about them.

Harvest Lunch

You may have seen the invitation in the Branscombe Parish Newsletter for our Harvest Lunch. This will take place on Friday 12th November. If you would like to come to the lunch, where soup and apple crumble will be served, please let Nicola in the office know. Any friends of the school may attend. There will be no charge for the lunch but a collection will be made for the school community fund.

Contact Details

We are aware that some families' contact details may have changed since the last contact form was sent out last term. If your home, work or mobile details have changed, or if you wish to amend your list of emergency contacts, please send a letter to the school office with the new information.

School Lunches

Please note that we break up for half term on Thursday 21st October and the menu for that day will actually be that printed for Friday 22nd October.

A message from the Governors

At the last meeting of the summer term Jo Hemery had advised the Governing Body that she wished to stand down as Chair in the autumn due to extra work commitments. The Governing Body met earlier this term for a housekeeping meeting during which Amanda Bentley agreed to take on the role of Chair and Catharine Willerton Vice Chair, until our next meeting on October 21st when we will be holding an election for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair. We will update you of the results after that meeting.

PTFA

Please see the attached minutes of the PTFA meeting and AGM held on the 22nd September.