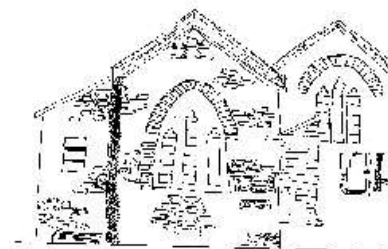




## BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

**Caleb:** Showing kindness and caring to others

**Amelie:** Commitment to learning, trying hard in areas that she finds difficult. Keep up the great work!

Dear Parents,

What a busy week our children have had. The week started with Ready Steady Write on Monday, when the children looked at the nursery rhyme "Hickory Dickory Dock". They started by watching some different interpretations of the rhyme on video and then sang it themselves, using percussion instruments to make the tick-tock sounds. Class 1 then practised telling the time, measured mice, and wrote alternative rhymes using different animals. Class 2 thought about the story behind the rhyme, working in groups and using drama or pictures to describe what had happened. They then planned and wrote their own versions of the story and what happened next.



On Tuesday Class 2 visited the Golden Hind in Brixham. They had a very interesting day learning all about life aboard a Tudor ship and about Sir Francis Drake's circumnavigation of the globe.

On Wednesday both classes had a National Trust session. Class 1 used magnets to make their own compasses, and then drew maps of the

orchard. Class 2 made rockets using old film canisters and fizzy vitamins to provide power. They then made rafts out of wood which they tested on the stream. They all floated, although some were more stable than others!



It's been lovely to welcome Miss Harvey-Jones to Class 1 this week, a little earlier than planned due to Mr Ford being poorly. I know the children have really enjoyed getting to know her. We've also welcomed Leo to the school, it's super seeing him settle in. A new member of staff has also joined us, Miss Becky Butler. I know that you have given all our new faces a really warm Branscombe welcome!

Next week we have our parents evening on Thursday. If you have returned your form, you should soon receive your appointment. If you haven't yet returned your form, please come and speak to your child's teacher to make an appointment at a suitable time.

It has been brought to my attention by several parents that cars are sometimes travelling too fast down the lane past school. Please remember that even during the day children may be walking up or down the lane, so please drive at a safe speed. Can I also request that parents park with consideration for the local residents, particularly when parking along the road outside the old post office.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely half term.

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

<b>Key Dates:</b>	
<b>Mrs Gray</b> will be in school on Monday and Tuesday next week.	
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World book day event
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Sports Relief
	Life Education Bus (at Farway School) – further details shortly
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Last day of term

### Question of the week:

**Class 2:** Shackleton had an ambition and he was prepared to make sacrifices to achieve it. What goal or aim would you be prepared to make sacrifices to achieve?

### Clubs this half term

Netball and construction clubs will restart next Wednesday (2<sup>nd</sup> March). Netball is open to KS2 children, and construction club is open to Years 1 and 2. If your child has not attended before but would like to do so now, please send a note giving consent to the office.

Gardening club will start on Monday lunchtime. Would those taking part please remember to bring their wellies.

### World Book Day Event – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March

World book day is officially on Thursday next week, but due to Class 2 PE we have decided to celebrate it on Friday instead. We would like to invite the children to come to school dressed as a character from a Roald Dahl book, to celebrate 100 years since his birth.

### Menu Changes – Weeks commencing 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> March

#### 7<sup>th</sup> March (week 4)

Monday: Sausages, vegetarian sausage or jacket potato with beans.

Tuesday: Roast chicken, vegetarian burger or jacket potato with tuna or beans.

Wednesday: Cheese and tomato pizza or jacket potato with cheese or beans.

Thursday: Roast gammon, vegetarian pasta bake or jacket potato with tuna

Friday: Fish in breadcrumbs or jacket potato with beans (no separate vegetarian option)

#### 14<sup>th</sup> March (week 1)

Monday: As normal

Tuesday: As normal

Wednesday: Jacket potato with, cheese, beans or tuna (this is the only option).

Thursday: Roast gammon, vegetarian sausage, or jacket potato with cheese.

Friday: As normal.

## Collective Worship

This term our collective worship value is Respect.

### TALK ABOUT RESPECT TOGETHER..

We are learning at school about the importance of treating others with **respect** even if we sometimes do not agree with the way they behave or the things they say. We have also been thinking about how we should treat the things that belong to us and to other people **respectfully**.

- Think of some practical ways that you show **respect** to each other in your family.
- Often we show **respect** to someone by the way we speak to them. What does this mean in practice?
- Do you treat one another's possessions with **respect**? What does this mean in practice?