

Branscombe C of E Primary School
Children's Aims
We will try to:



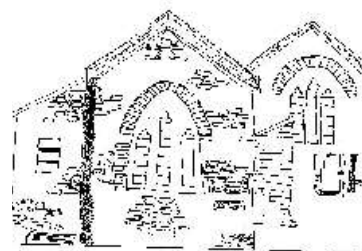
The Branscombe Waves



BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 26th June 2015



Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

Keiron: being a hard worker and a good listener

Sid and Caleb: working well together to learn new strategies and develop mathematical understanding

Lola: setting herself a high level of challenge in mathematics

Dear Parents,

This week Miss Moss took several members of class 2 to Exeter to take part in a practice walk for the Exe Valley Challenge. Children from across the Federation will be taking part in the event on Sunday, which challenges children aged between 8 and 12 years old to independently navigate their way around Exeter. They will have to reach a number of checkpoints as they navigate the route and must stick to a strict time limit for each leg. This year over 100 teams are expected to take part and I am sure that our children will do their best in what should be an enjoyable day for all involved.

As I'm sure you are all aware, this time of the school year is always a very busy one, with the residential taking place next weekend for Year 5 and 6 children, transition events for those moving up to secondary school, and the summer play coming up in a few weeks. The children will all be working hard and we appreciate all you can do to support them. But I would encourage you to take some time to particularly think about how much effort the teachers and support staff are putting in to ensuring the children have such a great range of opportunities to take part in during the next few weeks. Please support them in any way you can, even if it's just by giving them a smile if they look a bit tired!

As several staff and children are away on residential next Friday we are unlikely to write a newsletter – if there is anything urgent we will send separate notes so please check your child's book bag each night.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Branscombe School

Question for the week

Class 1: Your tomato plant should have tiny yellow flowers on it now and you will soon see tomatoes forming. Can you describe to someone at home where you will find them and what colour you think they will be when you first see them?

Class 2: If you travelled back in time to the stone age, what would you teach a stone age person about the year 2015?

Key Dates:

Mrs Gray has a number of commitments next week and so will just be visiting Branscombe between other meetings. If you need to contact her please leave a message with the office.

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

Sunday 28th June

Exe Valley Challenge

Tuesday 30th June

KS2 swimming

**Friday 3rd July to
Sunday 5th July**

Years 5 and 6 to Beam House residential

Tuesday 7th July

KS2 swimming

Tuesday 14th July

No KS2 swimming

Wednesday 15th July

National Trust Session

Open Evening 3.25-5pm

Monday 20th July

Summer Play (details to follow)

Tuesday 21st July

Final KS2 Swimming session

Wednesday 22nd July

Leavers Service 9.15am

Final day of term

Menu Change Monday 29th June

There will be a change of menu this Monday (for one week only), when sausages will be served instead of sausage rolls.

Bridge Building Day, Wednesday 8th July

Miss Moss is organising a day of bridge building for Class 2, and she will need some parent helpers. The children will be using tools and wood to make their creations. If you would be able to help on this day even if only for part of the day, please let Miss Moss know. If you would like to help but cannot do this date, please do still speak to Miss Moss.

Branscombe Big Beach Picnic

The National Trust are running the Branscombe big beach picnic at Branscombe Beach on 4th July (12 noon – 3 pm). You will be able to try kite flying, making wild art, paddleboarding (£2 for 20 minutes), mini raft building and rockpooling. The event is free.

Collective Worship Activity



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Make a 'hopes and dreams' catcher

Dream catchers are traditionally made from a looped willow branch onto which a net or web is woven. The net is then decorated with feathers, beads and other decorations. According to American Indian folklore, as we sleep, dreams are caught in the net and with the first rays of sunlight any bad dreams are burned away.

Find a long twig that can be bent and tied to make a hoop or frame. Use natural string or thread stretched across the frame to make the net and then decorate it creatively to catch all the hopes and dreams you can!



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