

# BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 09/09

Wednesday 4th November 2009

Dear Parents / Carers



# Achievements to Celebrate Branscombe Waves Award:

Xander: For making good progress learning his early sight vocabulary

Sid : For making good progress learning his early sight vocabulary

Joshua: For working hard to develop his reading skills

Bertie: For being a hard worker and always doing his best

Autumn: For being a hard worker and always doing her best

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



The Branscombe Waves

#### A note of thanks

On behalf of the staff and pupils at Branscombe I would like to thank Mr Miller for very kindly giving up his time to repair the damaged bench on our playground. Mr Miller, who specialises in fencing and decking, has made an excellent job of restoring the bench to its original condition. The children are extremely pleased to see it returned.

# Upcoming events:

The PTFA will be having a cake stall on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November at home time.

We will be holding a Parents Forum on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 3:20pm in Class 1. This will be an opportunity to discuss parental engagement at Branscombe, the perception of the school within the community and children's learning. Child care will be provided.

Remembrance Service: Please feel free to join us on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 10:45am by the War Memorial. The children will be sharing some of their own remembrance poems as part of our service.

#### After School Clubs

Clubs will be starting again next week on Wednesday  $11^{th}$  November. If you would like your child to attend please could you complete the form below and return it to the school office by Monday  $9^{th}$  November. Children can attend two clubs on a Wednesday. Please note that the last day for Wednesday clubs this term will be on Wednesday  $2^{nd}$  December.

#### Recorder Club

Mrs Crawford will be running a lunchtime recorder club for any children who are interested, Starting on Thursday  $12^{th}$  November.

### New plants

I would like to express our thanks to the PTFA who have provided the school with some winter flowering plants for our troughs. These were kindly sold to the PTFA at half price by Sidmouth Garden centre.

# Feet First For Families

On Tuesday the 10th of November Wren Music will be visiting the school in the afternoon to do some Traditional English dance and music with all of the pupils in Class 1 and 2. There will be live music on pipes and fiddles. The musicians, who are also dancers, will be taking the children through a range of dance moves.

This will be followed by a family dance day at St Teresa's Hall in Sidmouth, EX10 8TY on Saturday the 21st November. Young people will be encouraged to bring along family members, and all can learn a range of steps, watch displays by local folk dancers, hear (and join in playing) some great music, and get up on their feet at a ceilidh and find out what fun they can all have with dancing. Feet First Family Dance Days are only £10 per family, and will be held from 10.30am - 3.30pm. All young people and their families are invited to come along and have a great time. Please note that all adults will need to be accompanied by a young person. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a responsible adult. And please bring a packed lunch and a drink!

For more information phone Wren Music on 01837 53754 and ask for David

Please feel free to contact us if you have any concerns, ideas or suggestions.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

From the staff at Branscombe Primary

## Branscombe C of E Primary School – Diary for the Autumn term 2<sup>nd</sup> Half 2009

Date	Event	Time	Venue
Mon. 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	School reopens to pupils		
Thurs. 5 <sup>th</sup> November	PTFA cake stall	3:15pm	School
Tues. 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Dance Workshop with Wren Music	1:00 - 2:00pm	
Tues. 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Forum	3:20pm	Class 1
Wed. 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day Service	10:45am	War memorial (Church)
Tues. 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Pampered Chef Party - more details to follow		
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Visit from the Bishop of Crediton	9:00 - 11:00am	School
Wed. 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Final day for clubs this term		
Fri. 4 <sup>th</sup> December	PTFA cake stall	3:15pm	School
Sun. 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Pre School Pub Quiz	8:00pm	New Inn Kilmington
Mon. 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Open afternoon for the local Community to include Christmas Carols and mince pies	2:00 - 3:00pm	School
Tues.8th December	Activity Action Afternoon	1:15 - 3:15pm	Class 1 / 2
Wed. 9th December	Christmas Dinner	12:00 - 1:00pm	Village Hall
Wed. 9 <sup>th</sup> December	PTFA School Disco	3:30pm - 4:30pm	Village Hall
Sat. 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Carol Party organised by the Church	6:00pm	Village Hall
Mon. 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance – dress rehearsal open to parents with small children	2:00 - 3:00pm	Village Hall
Mon.14th December	Christmas Performance	6:00 - 7:00pm	Village hall
Tues. 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Pre-School Parents Christmas meal	To be confirmed	
Wed. 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle Service at the Church	6:30	Church
Fri. 18 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas Holiday		
Wed. 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School reopens for the Spring term		

Please note the following changes that have been made since the original calendar that was sent out in September:

- We will not be holding a Church Service on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November.
- The evening performance of our Christmas Show has been moved to Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

Wednesday Clubs - From 3:15 - 4:15pm				
Name of child				
The following clubs will be on offer this half term.				
Computer Club (KS1 and 2 )	Construction Club (KS1 and 2)			
Guitar club (KS2 only)	Art and craft club (KS1 only)			
Drums and musical fun (KS1 only)				
I give my permission for my child to participate in the after school clubs indicated above.				
Signed(parent / carer ) Date				