

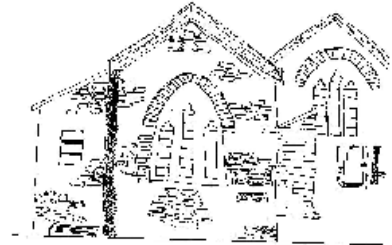
BRANSCOMBE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Friday 20th June 2014



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



The Branscombe Waves



Dear Parents,

You should all have received the letter yesterday announcing the result of the federation consultation vote which took place this week. From 1st September 2014 Farway CE Primary School will be joining the Jubilee Federation. I have spent time this week with the current head of Farway getting to know the school and thinking about areas of focus for the whole federation. There are a number of changes nationally within education which begin in September, namely a new national curriculum and a new Special Educational Needs code of practice. Being part of a larger federation, with a greater number of staff, will mean that the staff will feel more supported and have an increased capacity to ensure these changes are implemented efficiently and with a positive approach.

As I'm sure you are all aware, this time of the school year is always a very busy one. The PTFA are working really hard organising the fair and evening event on 5th July. The children are also very busy with all the exciting end of term events including the school play. 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!

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

Questions for the week

Class 1: How many kinds of apples can you name? Have you tried them all?

Class 2: Further to our visit to Dorchester, what would you have said if you had been the first person inside Tutankhamun's tomb?

Key Dates:

Mrs Gray will be in school on Monday and Tuesday next week.

Monday 23rd June	Life Skills for Years 5 and 6
Thursday 26th June	No KS2 swimming
Sunday 29th June	Exe Valley Challenge
Wednesday 2nd July	KS1 Farm to Fork visit to Tesco (details to follow)
Saturday 5th July	Summer Fair at Branoc Hall, 11-2pm Disco and Live band (Branoc Hall) 6.30-11.15pm
Wednesday 23rd July	Last day of term Leavers service

Tutankhamun trip



The KS2 children had a fantastic time in Dorchester last week. Daisy Graysmark reports:

"Class 2 visited the Dorchester museum to learn about Howard Carter's famous discovery, in the Tutankhamun Exhibition. We were very excited when we were all given a quiz sheet of interesting questions to answer. We learnt lots of facts about Tutankhamun and it was an exciting day!"

Life skills at the Donkey Sanctuary – Monday 23rd June

Please could all year 5 and 6 children remember to bring a packed lunch and plenty to drink. They will be transported by staff car to the Donkey Sanctuary for a 12.30 start. Please could parents collect the children from the **event car park at 3.30pm** (please follow signs to the Life skills car park). Please speak to Mrs Crawford if this will be a problem.

KS2 Swimming

For reasons beyond our control the swimming session on Thursday 26th June has been cancelled. An extra session will run on Thursday 17th July instead. As this date was not on the original SOE3, please could KS2 parents complete the slip below giving their consent for their child(ren) to go swimming on this date and return it to the office.

Clubs Next Week

Please note that there will be **NO** construction club or netball club next week, Wednesday 25th June.

Eco-club bee survey

Children attending lunchtime eco-club over the next few weeks will be taking part in the *Big Bumblebee Discovery*, which is a national initiative run by *The Pod* to survey the number of bumblebees visiting lavender plants this summer. The children will be watching the lavender plants and taking note of the number of bees they see. **If any child has an allergy to bee stings please let the school office know.** For further information about the initiative visit <http://jointhepod.org/campaigns/campaign/31>

Summer Fair- Saturday 5th July 2014

Raffle- fantastic prizes, Games, BBQ, Bar, Stalls, Refreshments, Cakes, Face Painting, Tombola and much, much more! Fun and Games for the whole family. Come along and join in the fun. Bring your friends, relatives and neighbours.

Live Music at Branoc Hall - Saturday 5th July 2014.

Doors and Bar open at 6.30pm. DISCO and LIVE BAND '4 ROCK'S SAKE!'
£5 per child, £12.50 per adult or £30 per family (2 adults and 2 children). Pasty included in the price. Tickets are now on sale from Emily Hughes, the Post Office, Kay Smith, Hazel Goodier and The Fountain Head. They will also be available to buy after school today. All profits to Branscombe Fireworks, Branscombe Cricket Club and Branscombe C of E Primary PTFA

KS2 Swimming - July 17th 2014

I give consent for my child(ren) _____

to attend the swimming lesson on Thursday 17th July 2014 instead of Thursday 26th June.

Signed _____ Date _____