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Dear Parents,

It's been a super week across the federation. Class 1 pupils went on a really enjoyable trip to West Town Farm. They went on a tractor ride, went to see the crops growing in the fields and made pumpkin soup round an open fire. The follow up work they have been doing shows that they were really inspired by the day.





The new governing body for The Jubilee Federation met last week. The members of the governing body are as follows:

Amanda Bentley – Parent Governor (Chair)
Andrew Hurford – Parent Governor
Kate Prince – Staff Governor
Nicola Bullock – Co-opted
Steve Griffin – Co-opted
Rev. Peter Walker – Ex Officio
James Rees – Ex Officio
Netta Keitch – Foundation
Tim Bucknall – Foundation (Vice Chair)
George Koopman – Foundation

Clara Rose – Parent Governor Katie Gray – Staff Governor Alan Johnson – Co-opted Angela Potter – Co-opted Steve Miller-Ratcliffe - LA Rev. Hilary Dawson – Ex Officio Susan Wilkinson – Foundation Stefanie Kastner – Foundation Richard Hare – Foundation

Please remember you can always contact me at any of the schools if you need to. The phone number for Branscombe is 01297 680339 and Farway is 01404 871239. The staff at the others schools know that I am happy to talk to parents from across the federation at all times. The days that I am at

Broadhembury are always in the newsletter. The two days before Broadhembury I will usually be at Branscombe and the two days after Broadhembury I will usually be at Farway. The teacher in charge at Broadhembury when I'm not on site is either Kate Prince or Judith Carter, however, your child's class teacher is usually the most appropriate person to talk to relating to your child's welfare or learning.

If you aren't able to come into school because of work commitments etc then please feel free to email me on headteacher@broadhembury.devon.sch.uk. I check these regularly throughout the evening too so I can pass messages onto staff before the start of the new day if needed.

I have been very impressed with the enthusiasm for the new homework activities in Class 2. The cakes and Trench Stew that I tasted yesterday were delicious! It's lovely to see the photos of activities you've tried at home and the models that have been created. Well done and keep up the good work. A reminder about how the homework is set is included below.

Next week we have an artist coming into school to work with all the pupils to create a mosaic of the school logo – I'm sure it's going to be a really fun experience for the children which will hopefully last for many years to come. Class 2 are also going to be going on a trip to Farway on Friday related to their WW1 work – further information below.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Broadhembury School

Class 2 Homework

In Class 2 homework will be set on a Friday and the children will be expected to bring their book back to school with their homework completed on the following Thursday. Each week they will have two pieces.

The first will be the weekly question that will be stuck into the back of their homework book and the children will need to discuss it with friends and family and then write down their responses in a format of their own choosing. The question will also appear on the newsletter. The aim of this is to get the children talking about their learning, there aren't usually right or wrong answers to the questions – it is to promote discussion.

The second piece will be completed in the front of their book. At the beginning of the term a sheet will be stuck into the front cover of their book with a variety of activities related to the class topic. These activities will use different learning skills and styles. Each week your child needs to choose one of the activities and complete it in their books over a double paged spread, it may include writing, pictures, photos, building or making something. The children will tick or highlight the activity that they have completed. In school on a Thursday and Friday the children will be asked to share their homework with each other. As the children will be doing different activities each week it will be interesting to see what the children have produced and hopefully inspire the other children to want to complete their next piece of homework. Children will be encouraged to choose activities which use different skills. We hope that this homework will be interesting and fun for all the family.

Children should also continue to read each night and practise their times tables.

Question of the week

Class 1 Is a pumpkin a fruit or a vegetable? How do you know?

Class 2 Would you have volunteered for the Army at the start of WW1?

Art Shed

We expect that the children have told you about the new 'Art Shed' that they can use during lunch times. There is currently an extra piece of equipment sitting in Mrs Gray's office. It is a trolley with 'old sweet jar' style plastic jars waiting to be filled with collage materials. This can then go in the art shed too. Do you have any small bits of scrap card, buttons, beads, sequins, milk bottle lids, small balls of wool or any other small collage materials? If so we would be very grateful if you could you donate them to the school.



Musical in A Day - Class 2 Activity

On Friday 26th September, Class 2 will be joining the other KS2 classes within the Jubilee Federation at Farway School for '*A Musical in a Day.* 1914: No Man's Land'. This whole day activity is an opportunity for the children to become really immersed in this half term's topic about World War 1 through music and language. They will also benefit from renewing their friendships with the children from Branscombe and to meet and get to know the KS2 class and teachers from Farway School. There will be a performance of their work at the end of the afternoon. If you would like to come to watch this you are very welcome to come over to Farway School at 2.15, however we will film it and show it at the following sharing assembly.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £6.50 towards the cost of the activity. (Please note that the cost of the coach will be met by the school.) Should we receive insufficient contributions this activity may have to be cancelled. All children will need to take a packed lunch, drink and break-time snack. Children who usually receive 'free school meals' should order a packed lunch with Sarah in the office on Monday, 22nd September. All details are attached on the SOE3 form. Please make a note of the date of the trip and return the SOE3 form and payment for the trip before WEDNESDAY 24th September so that we have time to check all details before Friday.

We are looking forward to a very exciting day!

Broadhembury Harvest Festival - Sunday 5th October 3pm

The Broadhembury Church Harvest Festival will be at 3pm on Sunday 5th October, followed by a bring and share tea in the Church, all are welcome. School will have its own Harvest Festival on Thursday 2nd. You are welcome to join us for this at 9am in the church.

The Church Harvest collection will be donated to Honiton Food Bank, any tins or non-perishable food for our donation would be appreciated.

School Worship Dates

We will be having morning worship at the church, led by the vicar, on the following dates 2^{nd} October, 16^{th} October, 6^{th} November, 27^{th} November, 11^{th} December, 18^{th} December, parents are more than welcome to come and join us at 9am in the church.

Sharing Assembly – 26th September

There will be no sharing assembly on Friday 26th September due to class two being out a on a school trip.

Data Collection Sheets

Data Collection Sheets have been sent home today for every child please could you check all the details on the form are correct so we can contact you in case of an emergency. Please also ensure there is at least one **local** contact other than parents.

Even if all the details are correct the form still needs signing and handing back to Sarah in the office.

Newsletter by email

If you wish to receive the weekly newsletter by email please fill in the form below and hand back to Sarah in the office so we can add you to the list.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNORS

The Governing Body for the Jubilee Federation met on Thursday 11th September for the first meeting of the academic year. The Governing Body is made up of Governors from all three schools in the Federation. At the start of the Meeting Governors elected in Mrs Amanda Bentley (Parent Governor from Branscombe) as Chair and Mr Tim Bucknall as Vice Chair. We are all looking forward to working together for the good of all three schools in our Federation. Should you have any queries regarding the Governance of the schools please feel free to ask.

BROADHEMBURY BRIDGES to week ending Friday 12th September

Class One:

Amelia and Kiera for settling in well during their first week in school.

Class Two:

Kyla for settling in well and making new friends.

Matthew for showing enthusiasm about his learning.

Key Dates

Mrs Gray will be in school on Friday next week.

Tuesday 23rd September - Children begin creating mosaic

Friday 26th September – Class 2 Musical in a Day – No Sharing Assembly

Thursday 2nd October – School Harvest Festival

Wednesday 8th October – National Walk to School Day

Thursday 23rd October – Parents Evening

Friday 24th October – Class 2 Trip to Castle Drogo

Friday 24th October – Last Day of School before the Half Tem holiday

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