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Dear Parents,

This week a new approach to maths has been introduced across the federation. Children are given a problem linked to their maths topic and asked to consider it in several ways. They have been asked to show a solution using resources in the classroom, they are asked to draw a way of interpreting the problem, they have been asked to think of a context to put the problem into and they've been asked to prove the answer they give using mathematical symbols. It's a very different approach and so the children are finding it a bit of a challenge at the moment but it will really develop their problem solving and reasoning skills over the coming weeks.

Unfortunately Forest School had to be cancelled this week due to rain, however, the children used the time to begin to create a map of the school. They began by painting different areas of the school from different view points which will be put together to create a map.

A reminder that we continue to collect items for 'Bags for School'. Please bring black bags full of clean clothes (no underwear or PJs), pairs of shoes, bags etc into school for the PTFA to gain funds with.

Thank you for all your continued support.
God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway CE School



Key Term Dates

23rd March – Parents' Evening
31st March – Wear a Hat Day, Easter Service 11am – End of term
18th April – Summer Term begins
26th May – Break for half term
5th June – Back to school
21st July- End of term

Wear a Hat Day

On the last day of term, Friday 31st March, we are asking children to come into school wearing their favourite hat! They could choose a bobble hat, cowboy hat, top hat, any sort of home made hat or of course they may wish to wear an Easter Bonnet. We are looking forward to seeing a great range of headwear on the day, all we ask is that they bring in a donation in return for wearing their hats for an important charity.

Charlotte Reid was a pupil at Branscombe a few years ago and her father was a dedicated school governor for a number of years. Charlotte was diagnosed with a benign brain tumour in 2015 and since then her family have discovered that there is a significant underspending in the research for such a condition. Only 1% of the national spend on cancer research has been allocated to brain tumour research. Although Charlotte has had the best treatment possible known at this time, she has been left with significant side-effects and it is possible, that if more research had been achieved this may not have been the result.

Throughout her illness Charlotte has remained positive and upbeat and is happy to share her story with others in order to raise awareness of this terrible condition and its consequences. Her ambition at the moment is to raise money for Brain Tumour Research and hopes to fund a week of research at Plymouth University. Plymouth is one of the centres of excellence and they specialise in researching low grade tumours found in teenagers and young adults. A week's funding is £19,180.

Please start planning what you will wear on 31st March to support Charlotte. Please see www.wearahatday.org for more information.



The Jubilee Jaunt

Raising money to help find a cure for CJD

The Cure
CJD
campaign

Some of the Jubilee Federation staff members (Kate Prince, Sarah Outram, Alice Hunter and Donna Jennings) are planning a walk of approximately 35 miles in April from Haytor on Dartmoor to Teignmouth and then up into Exeter, they have decided to use this walk to raise money for The Cure CJD Campaign.

They would like to raise money to remember our Broadhembury Teaching Assistant, Sharon Facey, by and also in the hope that one day a cure may be found to prevent anyone going through what Sharon and her family did. Please give generously to support this charity and your words of encouragement will help them through the walk.

You can donate through their Just Giving Page www.justgiving.com/fundraising/K-Prince or there will be an envelope in the office.

Thank you for your support

Sainsbury's Active Kids

Sainsbury's have restarted their Active Kids campaign to help encourage young people to lead healthier, more active lifestyles. Please collect vouchers from Sainsbury stores, petrol stations and grocery online shopping and put them in the box in the school entrance. The more vouchers we receive the more sports equipment we can claim so ask your friends and family to give you their vouchers too.

Reading

We would be very grateful if all children could read with their parents each night.

Family Workshop - Saturday 25th March 10.30am – 12.30pm / 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Learn about pinhole photography with pinhole expert Justin Quinnell and create your own pinhole camera to take home.

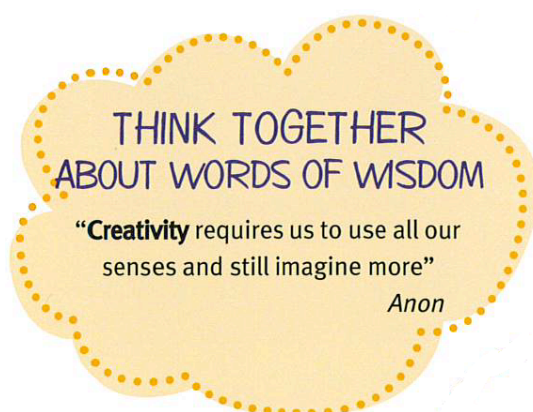
Adults £5, Children £3 for ages 6+. Booking essential, please contact us to book your slot on 01404 45006 / info@thelmahulbert.com

Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Please note this event may be photographed for publicity purposes. Please notify a staff member if you do not wish the child in your care to be photographed.

Thelma Hulbert Gallery, Elmfield House, Dowell Street, Honiton EX14 1LX www.thelmahulbert.com

Collective Worship Activity

This term we will be focussing in school on the value Creativity. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together. If the children bring back something that you have done at home linked to the Collective Worship activity, or can talk about a discussion they've had at home linked to it, then Mrs Gray will award them with a new special sticker.



Please order meals for _____

The menu is on the school website www.farway.devon.sch.uk - Please look at week 1.

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 6 th March 2017	Cost £2.50 per meal
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
	Amount Enclosed	£
	Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council	

In accordance with our policy, if you pay for your child's meals then payments for school meals should be made on the Monday before the meals are taken.