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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the summer term. It is going to be a fun filled end to the school year with lots of exciting things planned for the children. Please follow the 'key dates' section of each week's newsletter to ensure you are aware of all the things the teachers have planned. If you feel you can help in anyway with anything that the children are doing please talk to the teachers.

Class 1 joined up with some other children from the Honiton Learning Community this week to take part in a Zumbatomic session at The Beehive in Honiton. The session involved learning various Zumba moves and a routine to the theme of Madagascar – 'Move it'.

The children really enjoyed the experience and showed great perseverance and enthusiasm throughout.





Also on Tuesday afternoon Catharine Willerton from the Bat Conservation Trust came into Class 1 to talk to the children about these beautiful nocturnal animals. The children had an opportunity to see a Pipistrelle Bat close up which had been rescued in the local area. Catharine shared lots of interesting facts about bats with the children including, what they eat, how they sleep and how good their eye sight really is.

Catharine works at Branscombe pre-school and I was very proud when I saw her the day after her visit when she told me how impressed she had been by the children's behaviour and enthusiasm during the afternoon. Well done Class 1.





On Tuesday I had the pleasure of working with pupils in our school's newly formed ethos team along with pupils from the church schools within the Sidmouth Learning Community (as well as partner church schools from their federations and academy chains). We all met at Branscombe Church. The schools involved were Branscombe, Broadhembury, Sampford Peverell, Sidmouth Primary and Sidbury.



The day had a focus on the Christian value of 'Trust'. The vicar of Branscombe, Rev. Hilary Dawson, opened the day with an act of worship relating to the value of trust. The children then worked in groups to take part in a rotation of activities which involved trust games, creative design and drama.

The morning closed with another act of worship based on Jesus as our lighthouse led by Kirsty Hammond the youth worker from All Saints Church Sidmouth. It was a lovely day and the children responded with lots of positive comments.

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

Question of the week

Class 1 God taught us to 'Love God and love our neighbours'. Who are your neighbours?

Class 2 How do we know what life was like thousands of years ago?

Class Two Play in a Day - Monday 8th June

On Monday the Children in Class 2 will be meeting up with the children from Farway and Branscombe to take part in a Stone age Play in a day, you will have been sent home an SOE3 form this week, could you return them to Sarah in the office on Monday morning and don't forget the children will need packed lunches.

Whole School Photo

The school photographer will be in school on Friday 19th June. She will be taking a whole school photograph and a photo of the Year 6 Leavers. Please could children look particularly well presented on that day in school uniform!

Suncream

During the hot weather please could you ensure that you apply sun cream to your children before they come to school. Please could they also bring a named bottle of sun cream to school that they are able to apply themselves. Please could children also bring a sports cap bottle of **water** to school so that they can have regular drinks during the school day.

Over the Hill and Farway 10k

A 10k run in aid of Farway C of E Primary School is being held on Sunday 21st June at 10am, there are also shorter courses for under 11's & under 15's. Medals will be given to all runners, trophies for 1st Male and 1st Female. For more information please call the school 01404 871239 or visit the web site www.farwayprimary.co.uk

Key Dates

Mrs Gray will be joining the pupils at the Musical in a Day on Monday next week

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

Monday June 8th – Class Two Musical in a Day at Branscombe

Friday 19th June – Whole School Photo

Sunday 21st June – Over the Hill and Farway 10K run – Please ask in the office if you need

any further adult or child entry forms

Friday 3rd July – Year 5 & 6 Residential

Thursday 9th July – School play

Collective Worship Activity

This half term's Worship Value is Hope. Please read the story below and talk about it with your family. If you carry out these activities at home please do send us any photos or written pieces that you do together, so that we can put them on our worship display.



The world that God had made was a beautiful, colourful place – brimming with life and bursting with good things. It was his precious gift given with all his love. God hoped that people would care for it and care for each other but now they were doing just the opposite! They were quarrelling, fighting, and spoiling everything. God saw that there was only one thing to do; to begin all over again.

But God also saw that not everyone on the earth was wicked. There was one man and his family trying to do their best to look after the world and to look after each other and to listen to him. The man's name was Noah. God told Noah to build an ark – a huge, magnificent boat. Noah was mystified because he lived miles from the ocean and was not sure why he would ever need a boat. As word got around about the enormous boat Noah's neighbours made his life miserable with their taunts and jibes. Sometimes Noah was tempted to lose hope, but he knew from experience that he could trust God for the future, so he and his family kept on building.

When the work was finally finished God told Noah to gather two of every kind of creature as well as all his family together and set up home in the ark. It took a long time but Noah had to just keep on trusting God. And then the first raindrops began to fall, followed by showers, then torrents and finally floods. On and on it rained for forty days and forty nights. When Noah was beginning to lose **hope** of ever seeing the sun again, the rain suddenly stopped. Noah sent out a dove and when it did not return he knew that the bird had found dry land on which to build a nest. They were safe at last!

And then a wonderful thing happened. God sent a rainbow - a beautiful, colourful bow in the sky. It was a sign of **hope** and promise. The world had been washed clean, and was all ready for a new beginning.

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