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Dear Parents

This week in Class 1 the children have started learning about the 7 continents of the world. They will be looking in detail at each one over the next few weeks. They have also continued with their work on 'The Creation' in RE. The Children are beginning to work on the four seasons in science and this will be ongoing throughout the year where the children will begin to keep a diary to chart the changes in the seasons.

In Class Two, the children have had an exciting week looking at forces in science, and have been thinking about how you start and stop things moving. In music the children have been listening to reggae music and appreciating the work of Bob Marley. They have had mixed opinions about his music, but there was a lot of enjoyment in dancing and singing along! In P.S.H.E the children have been thinking about why we need rules and one of our British values: Rule of Law. The children watched a video clip where a boy had stolen a chocolate bar and then discussed their views on stealing. The children enjoyed some Drama and acted out alternate endings.



Our Year 4's were invited to visit Honiton Primary school on Thursday and watch a play about Internet Safety and Anti Cyber Bullying, "In the Net". A very funny yet informative play that I hope was beneficial to the children. It was lovely to see the children interact with the cast.

Next week is our Harvest Service, which will be held in the church on Thursday at 10:45. We will be sharing our service with the Vicar, and he has asked for donations towards the Honiton Food Bank to be brought to the service. Please could children bring an item of dried or tinned food into school on Thursday to be offered as part of the service. If you are unsure of what to bring, there are Food Bank leaflets in the Church or a copy will be available to look at in school.

Next week is also Walk To School Week. We will be recording the different ways that the children travel to school, and giving out team points to those walking all or part of the way to school. Maybe you could park further away from the school and enjoy a nice walk. We will also be going for a walk around the village to think about safety when walking, enjoying the beautiful scenery and to take some photos for the Broadhembury Playground Committee's competition.

Everyone made an extra special effort to look smart ready for having our photographs taken on Wednesday this week. We were in fact so ready that we were a month early! My apologies for the confusion over the date. The individual photos will now be taken on the 21st October

Finally, we will be letting the Class 1 children out of the door at the back of their classroom from next Monday. Please could you collect your child from this end of the playground as it will avoid congestion at the main door when Class 2 are coming out at the same time.

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 - If you took the stripes off a zebra, what colour would it be?

Class 2 – What skill, quality or attribute is most important in making you a successful learner?

BROADHEMBURY BRIDGES to week ending Friday 16th September

Class One:

Lewen Adcock for his insightful and thoughtful responses to our question of the week.

Class Two:

Sam for being really focused in RE with Mrs Gray Class Two for being really keen to use the new understanding Christianity Resources Charlie for excellent work in Literacy this week and knowing all of the sentence types

Key Dates

Mrs Gray will be in Broadhembury on Thursday next week.

29th September – School harvest service in the church 10.45am

2nd October – Harvest Festival 3pm

5th October – National Walk to School Day

10th October – East Devon Council Takeover Day – Year 6

17th October – Parents' Evening

21st October – Individual pupil photos – NEW DATE

8th December – Christmas Lunch

12th December – Christmas play

21st December – Carol Singing in the Square

A note from Mrs Symonds

- Please can you initial your child's homework book on the weekly sheet so that I know the children have completed their tasks. We will discuss the children's thoughts on the Big Question every Friday morning.
- Please, please can you ensure that your child's jumper or cardigans are named. I know how irritating it is to lose these and it makes it easier to locate the owner if they are all named. I will be introducing a 'Jumper Dumper' in Class 1 to avoid jumpers being left around the classroom and cloakroom.
- PE day is Thursday and your child will need a full named PE kit and plimsolls or trainers in school at all times.
- Phonics sounds and/or tricky words will be coming home with your child soon. It will greatly help your child if you can 'over learn' the sounds that they are working on in phonics. If you would like any help with pronunciation of these sounds, please do ask as it is vital that your child learns these correctly. There is a helpful video on the articulation of these sounds on You Tube if you need further guidance https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BqhXUW_v-1s



Mrs Sandford, Nicks mum is "Braving the shave" for Macmillan Cancer Care... A brave lady indeed. You can watch Vickey have her hair shaved for charity on Tuesday 27th September at the school at 3pm. I'm sure the children will enjoy watching this and please send them in with some extra pennies for the worthwhile charity. Good Luck Vickey <u>www.bravetheshave.org</u>

Changeable Weather

As we are now into autumn, our wonderful English weather is very changeable. Therefore please ensure your child is sent to school with a jumper and a coat should the weather suddenly turn.

Flu Vaccinations

Pupils in Years 1, 2 & 3 please remember to return your child's flu vaccination consent by Monday.

Beam House Residential

Parents of Y5 and 6 children should now have received a letter about the Summer Residential. Please return the response slips by Monday.

An invitation from the PTFA

Our very relaxed PTFA would like to invite parents to a social evening at The Drewe Arms on Tuesday 27th September at 7.30pm. This is a great opportunity to get to know the other parents, Join the PTFA or offer help at events and also share ideas about how we can raise a few extra pennies for our school. Please do come along. If you would like to join the PTFA but can't make this event, please speak to Donna Jennings, Clara Rose, Liz Norris or Jenny Rowland.