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Dear Parents,

This week has been a busy one in Class 1. The children are beginning to learn the routines and expectations in Class 1. Please support them with this by talking to them about their day and sharing their reading books with them.

This week, Class1 had Firefighter Dan come into school to teach them about Fire Safety. He talked to us about the role of a firefighter and some of the children wanted to dress up in a firefighter's uniform. The children learnt about the importance of smoke alarms, when to dial 999 and the importance of not touching matches. Firefighter Dan asked the children to check that their homes have working smoke alarms and gave us a number to call if we wanted smoke alarms fitted. Finally, the children practised 'Stop, Drop and Roll'. Ask them about it.



Key Stage 1 will be bringing home homework this week. Please take time to go through the sheet with your children. If you have any questions at all, please feel free to email me via the [admin@broadhembury.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@broadhembury.devon.sch.uk) address or I am happy to chat with you after school. Morning times are particularly busy in Class 1.

We are trying to teach the children to be independent in coming in and getting ready for learning. Please could you ensure that you drop off and pick up from the bottom of the steps at the door at the far end of the playground. Please make sure that you are in the playground to collect your children at 3.30pm as the children become quite anxious after a long day if there is no one there to collect them when everyone else is leaving. If you are late, the children will go to after-school club which means that there will be a charge. Thank you for your support with this.

This week Class 2 were lucky enough to go on their first school trip of the autumn term. Along with the children from Branscombe and Farway they visited Upottery Airfield Heritage Centre and went back in time to experience life in WWII, particularly the pilots and paratroopers of the RAF. Inside the Sergeant's bedroom the children thought about how the paratroopers would have felt knowing that at any minute they could be called up to fly to an unknown destination, jump out of a plane and fight for their country. The children decided they would want to write letters home to their families to keep in touch and reassure

them that they were safe for now. The children also tried on soldier's outfits and thought about evacuation and food rationing in 1940s Britain.



After lunch, the children returned to school and took part in some orienteering activities - they thought about paratroopers who may have landed with their parachute in an unknown place and what skills they would have needed to navigate their way to safety. The children found the eight points of a compass and used this to play a code-breaking game to solve an anagram - SPITFIRE! The children had a great time and represented Broadhembury School wonderfully.

The activities from this trip are really going to help the children with their diary writing in literacy, as next week they will be writing diary entries in role as a WWII pilot. They hope to use these experiences to inform our writing to make it as realistic as possible!

Thank you all for your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

*Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Broadhembury CE School*

### Question of the week

**Class 1:** If you were Samuel Pepys, what would you bury and why?

**Class 2:** What are the eight points of a compass?

### BROADHEMBURY BRIDGES to week ending Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September

#### Class One:

**Jacob and Joshua:** They have both showed kindness and consideration to their classmates this week and have looked after our classroom and our resources. Well done boys.

**Class Two:** Lily L for her engagement and perseverance in her learning this week.

## **Key Dates**

Our Key dates for the upcoming year are included below. Please be aware that these dates are provisional and are subject to change if there are unforeseen circumstances. Timings will be confirmed nearer the time. We will of course keep you informed of any upcoming changes.

### **Autumn Term 2017**

25<sup>th</sup> September- Key Stage 2 trip to Seaton Tramway  
27<sup>th</sup> September– Child Assault Prevention Parent meetings at Broadhembury (6.30-8pm) and Branscombe (1.30-3.30pm) schools  
1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> October- Key Stage 1 and 2 Child Assault Prevention training  
19<sup>th</sup> October – Last Day of Half Term  
29<sup>th</sup> October – Non pupil Day  
30<sup>th</sup> October- First Day Back for Children  
1<sup>st</sup> November- Tempest Individual School Photos am  
9<sup>th</sup> November- Act of Remembrance  
12<sup>th</sup> November - Parents' Evening  
7<sup>th</sup> December- Christingle making and Service in church 10am  
13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Play (evening)  
21<sup>st</sup> December- End of Term & Carol singing in Broadhembury Square 2.30pm

### **Spring Term 2018**

7<sup>th</sup> January - Non-Pupil Day  
8<sup>th</sup> January - Term Begins  
18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> February – Half Term  
18<sup>th</sup> March- Parents evening  
5<sup>th</sup> April- Last Day of Term and Easter Service 2.30pm

### **Summer Term 2018**

23<sup>rd</sup> April - Term Begins and St George's Day celebrations  
6<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday  
23<sup>rd</sup> May – May Day afternoon  
24<sup>th</sup> May - Non Pupil Day  
28<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June - Half Term  
3<sup>rd</sup> June - Children return to school  
9<sup>th</sup> July- Summer play (eve)  
10<sup>th</sup> July- Sports Day  
18<sup>th</sup> July- Open Evening  
22<sup>nd</sup> July –Federation Sports Day  
23<sup>rd</sup> July - Last Day of Term and Leavers' Service (pm)

## **International Cross of Nails School**

We are very excited to share with you the news that we have been accepted as an International Cross of Nails School – linking with Coventry Cathedral. During the Second World War Coventry Cathedral was bombed. In the ruins the following morning two charred beams were found laying in the shape of a cross. Later, this was displayed in the preserved ruins with the words 'Father Forgive' inscribed in the surviving stonework behind it. A local priest also made another cross from three of the many fifteenth century nails that littered the scene. It was quickly decided to preserve the ruins and build a modern cathedral next to them. I visited this over the summer and it is a very inspiring place. In the earliest days after the bombing the Cross of Nails, which is now displayed on the new altar, became a symbol of peace and hope. The Cross of Nails Community includes schools, communities, parishes and other organisations who have shown a commitment to the values of peace, hope and reconciliation.

We shared some of the work we have been doing in worship and throughout our school and federation with the cathedral team and we will be presented with our own Cross of Nails in a very special service in a couple of weeks.

The service will take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am. It would be lovely if lots of parents and members of the community could join us for the service. We would like to have refreshments back in school afterwards so we would be very grateful for contributions of cakes and biscuits on the morning.

The children will be able to tell you more about The Cross of Nails Community, and there is a lovely display in the entrance hall – please have a look.

### **Class 2 World War Poster**

Class 2 are going to be involved in designing a poster to celebrate 100 years since the end of WW1, we will be in competition with Payhembury School and the winning design will go into the parish magazine! Please can the children start to think of some ideas for the poster and hand these into Miss Watts - deadline is 31st October. Thank you.

### **Topic Webs**

This terms topic webs are now available to view on our website. Please click on the links at the bottom of the page. There are also copies in school on our classroom doors, if you would like to see them.

[http://www.broadhembury.devon.sch.uk/website/curriculum\\_and\\_class\\_topics/236679](http://www.broadhembury.devon.sch.uk/website/curriculum_and_class_topics/236679)

### **Tesco Bags of Help scheme**

We are delighted that our federation school Farway has been included in the Tesco Bags of Help Scheme. Voting for our project to resurface the preschool playground is now underway in Tesco's in Honiton. We would be grateful for your help in encouraging friends and family to vote for us.

### **Race for Life**

Well done to everyone for taking part in our school 'Race for Life' at the end of last term, you all did brilliantly! **So far we have only received a small number of sponsorship forms from across the federation. Please can we try to get as much of this sponsorship money returned as soon as possible. This is for a brilliant cause.** Thank you.

### **Child Assault Prevention Training**

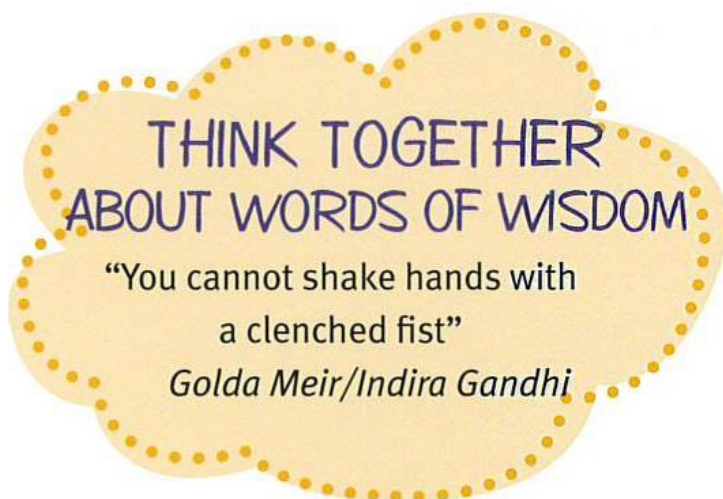
This term all of the schools in our federation are taking part in child assault prevention training, which will give our children positive messages on how they can protect themselves and build safer communities. As part of this training we are holding two parent sessions, on September 27<sup>th</sup>, one at Branscombe School from 1.30-3.30pm, and one at Broadhembury School from 6.30-8pm. **Any parent/carer, from any of our federation schools, is welcome to attend either session. We would love to see you there!**

### **Parent SIMS**

Last term we sent home invitations to register for our new parent SIMS app. This app will help us comply with the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and introduces an easier and more convenient way to update parent and student contact details. Thank you to all of you who have signed up. If you have signed up, please follow the links that have been sent to you to complete the registration process. If you have any changes to contact details, medical information or dietary requirements, please don't forget to update them on the app. **Due to GDPR we would prefer not to send home paper data collections sheets any more, so if you need to update personal information, and you do not have the app, please come and speak to someone in the school office.** Thank you.

### Collective Worship Activity

To link with our Cross of Nails presentation we will be focussing in school on the value of Peace this half term. 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 they 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.



## Caretaker/Cleaner Required

Farway Primary School, Honiton

12.5 hours per week (Mon – Fri), 52 weeks per annum

**£9.75 per hour**

Full DBS - Uniform and training provided.

For information regarding this position, please contact Brian Rushbrooke on:

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