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Dear Parents,

How lovely to see all of the children back looking so rested! The children are ready for our last half term of this year.

William, Sophia and Abigail took part in the Year 3 and 4 Honiton Learning Community Youth Speak Competition yesterday. They spoke extremely well, with confidence, and all said that they enjoyed the experience and would like to do it again. The topic that they chose to present was 'Should footballers get paid so much?' this proved to be a thought provoking subject. The winning teams spoke about 'Are we spending too much time on electronic devices?' and 'Should fairy tales be banned?'. This is a really inspiring event and Miss Prince said it was a pleasure to watch the children talk so eloquently. We are very proud of our team.



This week Class 1 have been finishing our recount work in literacy. They are beginning a new topic of addition and subtraction in Maths and have been busy measuring our plants, in readiness for this. Thank you to those of you who helped your children to observe and complete the seed diary – feel free to send in any photographs and we will print them off.

Can I please draw your attention to the notice in last half term's newsletter with regards to the children's morning routine. To encourage independence, we would like the children to come into class on their own, to prepare themselves for the start of the school day. It would be great if EYFS children could begin to come into the class on their own this half term in readiness for Year 1. Please remember that the school day begins at 9am, and all children should be settled in class and ready to learn at this time. If you need to speak to Mrs Symonds, she is usually available after school. Of course you must still let us know of any health or emotional concerns that we would need to be aware of during the course of the day. Thank you for your support with this.

This week Class Two have become poets; studying and writing their own version of the poem 'I Am Cat'. The children have worked hard to learn sections of the poem by heart. They devised their own story map actions to help with this and performed the poem as a class. The poem, based on a house cat dreaming of the different wild cats it could be, gave us a great basis for a class poem about a dog.

In the afternoons, the children have had their science hats on and have been learning about classification of plants and animals. They are able to sort vertebrates into different categories and create their own sorting diagrams using different criteria.

Our internet continues to be not working, so please phone us if you need to get hold of anyone rather than sending an email. We are assured this will be sorted very shortly!

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: Who would you invite to tea if you could ask anyone? What would you talk about?

Class 2: What would the world be like without micro-organisms?

Key Dates

11th June- Key Stage 2 Quad Kids Event at Honiton Community College.

13th June – Key Stage 2 trip to the RAMM Museum, Exeter.

22nd June- Exe Valley Challenge Practice Walk.

26th June- Year 6 Junior Life Skills at the Donkey Sanctuary.

Sunday 1st July- Exe Valley Challenge.

11th July- Broadhembury Sports Day

17th July – Broadhembury Summer Play

23rd July – Federation Sports Day & Race for Life

24th July –Last Day of Term

School Summer Play Change of Date

Due to Honiton Community College and Kings School Year 6 transition periods being on separate weeks we have had to rearrange the school summer play so that there is enough practice time for the pupils. The play will now be taking place on **Tuesday 17th July**. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause but it has been out of our control.

RAMM Trip

We have still only had a handful of contributions for this trip, however, thanks to a generous offer from one parent to ensure that the shortfall is paid the class will now be able to join the rest of the federation on the trip. If you haven't yet paid for the trip but would like to, please send the money in next week. The cost is for the coach, as well as workshops run by museum representatives. These workshops are only available to school groups and the children will take part in activities, and see artefacts, that the general public are not able to. If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium we are happy to fund the cost of the trip, ***but I would be grateful if you could inform us that this is your wish as it will mean other Pupil Premium support will be reduced for your child.*** As the trip is now going ahead please would you ensure your child's SOE3 form has been returned by Monday.

Federation Sports Day & Race for Life

On Monday 23rd July, all of the children will be taking part in our annual Federation Sports Day. As part of this event, we will be holding a 'Race for Life' to help raise money for the Cancer Research charity. Each child will receive a medal on completion of the race. We will shortly be sending home sponsorship forms, for each child which will need to be returned to school after the race. We hope that you will aid us in raising money for this worthy cause, and give the children something to feel really proud of. Thank you.

Sun cream and Hats

As the weather is becoming warmer, on warm days the children should have a sunhat with them, and have sun-cream already applied, before they come to school. We are not able to apply sun cream for the children. If children can apply sun cream themselves, please send them in to school with a named bottle of cream, to put extra on during the day (we have noticed that there is now roll on sun cream, which is easy for children to put on by themselves). Please can the children also bring a water bottle with them to school? Thank you for your help with this. **This is especially important to remember on the days that children will be doing P.E lessons, as they can easily overheat in the sun.**

Collective Worship Activity

This term we will be focussing in school on the value of Hope. 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.

