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Dear Parents

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This week in class one we have been very busy, we started the week by planting some sunflower seeds in our beautiful playground and we are excited to watch closely and see them grow! We conducted a big experiment with many materials to try and find out which one would be best to use if we were making a tent, the children wrote about what they found using a story map and the conjunctions that we have focused on in Literacy.

In maths we have been learning all about time, we took a big clock mat outside and discussed the different times, the children enjoyed matching up the hands with the correct times. After all this we even managed to have time to play some tennis in P.E yesterday.





This week in Class two our sequences are drawing to a close.

In Literacy, the children have started to create their own letters from a set of objects. Years 5 and 6 are taking this one step further and are writing a collection of letters about the same object, with different levels of formality. They have been investigating formal language as well as the subjunctive form.

In maths, we have ended our unit on addition and subtraction with some real maths problems involving pizzas, holidays, and cereal boxes! It was great to see the children using maths for a purpose that they might encounter.

In theme learning, we have started our final topic of the term, Devon Cultures. The children have started by looking at maps of Devon and thinking about the landscape. They have begun to write a leaflet to advertise the local area which we will build on over the coming weeks!

As the term draws to an end I would just like to remind everyone that children still need to be wearing correct uniform including school shoes, and have their PE kits in for lessons on Thursday and Friday.

You should have received a slip about parents' evening next week. Unfortunately Mrs Symonds will probably still be off school. She is making a good recovery but is unlikely to be back with us until the following week. Therefore Parents' Evening will take place for Class 2 next week but we will need to reschedule the appointments for Class 1 pupils. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Thank you for all 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 Miss Hooper goes to the park at 2 o'clock for 3 hours, what time does she leave?

Class 2 What strategies do you have to cope with temptation during Lent?

BROADHEMBURY BRIDGES to week ending Friday 10th March

Class One:

Holly for working really hard in literacy and trying hard to settle in.

Class Two:

Barnaby for persevering with his reasoning question in maths.

Key Dates

21st March – Parents' evening for Class 2 31st March – Easter Service 2.30 – End of term 31st March – Wear a Hat Day – details below 18th April – Summer Term begins 26th May – Break for half term 5th June – Back to school 21st July - End of term

Comic Relief

We have chosen this term to support the Wear a Hat day charity campaign (see below) due to the impact a brain tumour has had on an ex pupil at Branscombe. However, we will still recognise Comic Relief day in a low key way. The children are welcome to attend school wearing their red noses or a red nose day t-shirt if they bring in a donation for the Red Nose day charity.

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.

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.

Lambing Sunday at Bridgwater College - Sunday 19 March 2017 11:00 – 16:00

For a fun family day out visit Bridgwater & Taunton College's Rodway Farm and meet the new-born lambs, take a tractor/trailer ride, watch sheep racing, dog agility, falconry displays, and have a stroll around Sedgemoor Vintage Club Ltd's machinery fair!

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



The Jubilee Jaunt

Raising money to help find a cure for CJD



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 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 <u>www.justgiving.com/fundraising/K-Prince</u> or there will be an envelope in the office.

Thank you for your support

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.

	QUIZ Animal Antics	
	My first is in crab but not in rabbit,	_
:	My second in tiger but not in civet.	_
:	My third is in beetle but not in wombat	-
:	My fourth is in camel and also in rat.	_
:	My fifth is in tapir but not in impala,	_
	My sixth is in ai but not in koala.	_
	My seventh is in otter but not in anteater,	-
	And my eighth is in elephant but not in cheetah. What am I?	-
	Do you know what all these animals look like? If not, look in the school library or Google the anim	nal.