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Dear Parents,

This week we have been very busy in Key Stage 1. We have been learning about famous landscape gardeners, in particular Lancelot 'Capability' Brown. The children have found out some facts about his life and work, and are now busy writing an information text about him. In Maths they have been learning how to multiply and divide using the 2,3,5 and 10 times table. Great stuff Key Stage 1!

In Reception, the children have continued with their independent learning. There has been lots of building of farms and zoos, and the children have been able to take a lot of their learning into the outdoors' environment. In their Maths skills, the children have been learning to add groups of objects together and to take away a small group from a larger group to find a new total. They have been keen to show us what they have learnt in their own 'Busy Learning'.

On Monday afternoon, Class Two went to Honiton Leisure Centre to compete in a tennis tournament. They were divided up into teams and played against children from other schools in the Honiton Learning Community. Each match lasted around 3 minutes, so that everyone had a chance to play lots of games. The points from each match were recorded and tallied up for each team. At the end of the event we all gathered together to find out who the winners were from each round, so they could play each other in the final. Much to our surprise, Broadhembury A and B teams had won and then had to play each other in the final! After the longest 3 minutes ever, the final resulted in a draw. Four children were then selected to take part in the East Devon finals on the 17th May. Congratulations to all those who took part and we wish the four children going through all the luck in the next round.



In Literacy and theme this week, the children have been studying the Egyptians and in particular mummification. On Wednesday morning, they followed a set of instructions to create their own scarab beetle and then as a class, evaluated the instructions to learn what they need to include.



In theme they have completed a rotation of activities including: writing instructions for how to mummify someone; mummifying an apple; making a sarcophagus and wrapping their own mummy. These activities have helped them to learn about Egyptian traditions first hand, and shown them the importance of clear, concise instructions.

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:** You are the lighthouse keeper. Sum up your feelings in 2 words (you cannot use 'terrified', 'scared' or 'frightened').

**Class 2:** Why do people make replicas?

### **BROADHEMBURY BRIDGES** to week ending Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April

**Class One:** Mia for wonderful listening and learning on the school trip

**Class Two:** Ari for being happy, joyful and cheering everyone up.

## **Key Dates**

### **7th May- May Day Bank Holiday**

14<sup>th</sup> May - KS2 SATs Week

18<sup>th</sup> May –Royal Wedding Celebrations.

23<sup>rd</sup> May – May Day Celebrations

### **25<sup>th</sup> May- Non Pupil Day**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1st June – Half Term

13<sup>th</sup> June – Key Stage 2 trip to the RAMM Museum, Exeter.

## **Breakfast Club**

Please remember that we have two sessions for breakfast club one at 8.00am costing £2 and one at 8.20am costing £1. Breakfast club sessions **must be paid for in advance**. Children not attending the early breakfast club can come to school from 8.40am and still have some food which is provided by the Magic Breakfast scheme. Thank you.

## **Afterschool Collection**

The school day for the children finishes at 3.30pm, if for any reason you are unable to collect your child by 3.40pm we will place them into our afterschool club at a cost of £5 per hour (or part thereof).

## **Royal Wedding Celebrations**

On Friday 18th May we will be having a 'Royal Street Party' in the afternoon to celebrate the marriage of Harry and Meghan. We would like the children to come to school dressed as someone in the Royal Wedding Party or as a wedding spectator dressed in red, white and blue. We would like the children to bring some party food (perhaps with a royal theme!) to share on the day. We would also like the children to bring a donation for charity which will be used to support our Federation Community Fund which is used to sponsor a child in Ghana, and to boost our PTFA funds.

## **Key Stage 2 Trip to the Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter.**

This trip has now been rearranged for Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup>. We thank you for your patience with this unexpected change. Please look out for a separate letter, which will be sent home in due course, regarding this trip.

## **Free School Meals**

As part of the new universal credit system, that is being rolled out across the country, the criteria for claiming free school meals is changing. This may mean that previously ineligible children, now qualify for free school meals. In addition any child who qualifies for free school meals will then be eligible until 2022, regardless of circumstance, and without the need for reassessment. We are therefore encouraging all parents to go online at <https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals> and check their eligibility. As well as you as a family gaining free meals, school gets extra money into its budget for every child who is entitled to free school meals. So please check your eligibility and apply if able.

## **Healthy Snacks**

We encourage Class 2 children to bring in a healthy snack to eat during mid-morning break (Class 1 have the free government fruit scheme). However, we have noticed recently that some of the snacks are not suitable. Please could you ensure that children **only** bring pieces of fruit (not fruit flavoured chews or sweets) or healthy muesli bars for break time. Thank you for your support.

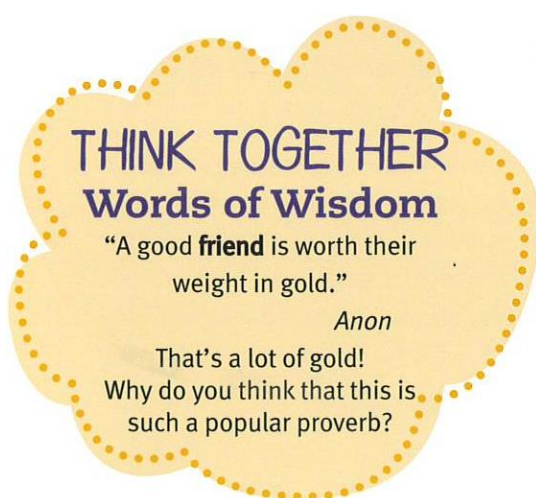
## The Blackdown Hills AONB - Naturally Healthy Month

As part of Naturally Healthy Month in May The Blackdown Hills AONB are running a free family event at Castle Neroche on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May from 10:30am to 3:00pm. The event will include an array of nature themed activities including bug hunting, wild art, bush craft and a practical conservation task. The event is aimed at families with children of all ages, Castle Neroche is a beautiful site and a fantastic place for families to explore and have a picnic.

You can find more Naturally Healthy Month events here- <http://slnp.org.uk/news/naturally-healthy-month-may-2018/>

## Collective Worship Activity

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



## School Eucharist Service

We have been talking to the children from Class 2 about the meaning of Eucharist Services in their R.E. lessons. The KS2 school ethos team went to Branscombe to attend a school Eucharist Service at the church there, and since then they have worked with Rev. Hayhoe and Miss Prince on planning a Eucharist Service for all of the Broadhembury Pupils. We hope that these will become a regular part of our termly worship.

Our first school Eucharist Service will take place in our church on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 9.15am. We hope that many parents, villagers and friends of the school will join us for these services. During the service the children will be able to have a blessing if they wish. Children who have been confirmed in the Church of England, or those who receive Holy Communion in their own church will be able to receive the sacrament during these school services. Please fill in the form below if your child receives communion in their own church. Please return these before the service on Thursday.

## School Eucharist

I would like ..... (Child's name) to receive Holy Communion at the school Eucharist services. He/she has been confirmed at .....Church OR receives Holy Communion on a regular basis at .....Church.

Signed.....Parent/Guardian