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Dear Parents

Welcome back to the Autumn term, and an even bigger welcome to the new reception children; Mia Tyler George Sam Emmy) who have made a great start in class, and also to our new children in class 2, Charlie and Abbie. All the children have come back fresh and ready to learn with lots of stories about their holidays. Our new teachers 'Mrs Symonds and Mrs Redding' have settled well into their roles and have worked hard to ensure their classrooms are looking super at the start of term.

Today the children have been lucky enough to watch the cyclists on the Devon leg of the Tour of Britain. Such a brilliant experience for them and they all enjoyed it immensely. Thank you to the parents who helped with transport.

I am sad to say that we have to say goodbye today to Miss Walker who has been a great asset to the school for the last couple of years during her apprenticeship. Miss Walker has now decided to have a change of career and is going back to college. Because the children haven't had much chance to say goodbye we will of course pass on any messages or cards to Miss Walker if the children make anything over the weekend. Miss Prince and I have interviewed this week for new teaching assistants. Miss Lauren Cole, who some children will remember from a couple of years ago when she was on teaching practice placement with us, will be joining us shortly as will Miss Rebecca Hooper. I'm sure you will also all be pleased to know that Miss Natalie Richards is also coming back to Broadhembury this term after all.

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

Harvest Festival

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Question of the week

Class 1 - Can you touch the wind?

Class 2 - Where does your family come from? Where do most of your relatives live?

Good Samaritan Awards

We are launching a new PSHE scheme of work this week and in connection with this we have planned a new award system for the children. It is called The Good Samaritan Awards. This award system supports the PSHE, Citizenship and British Values elements of our curriculum and we hope staff and parents will encourage pupils to work towards the awards. Children will be asked to complete tasks relating to the following areas; Staying Safe, Keeping Healthy, Enjoying and Achieving, Economic Wellbeing and Making a Positive Contribution. The aim being to give children a broad and balanced view of society.

At the start of term each teacher will plan a Life Skills activity ensuring that all children are involved.

To achieve their **Red** award the children will need to complete 5 challenges, including the class ones. **White** they will need to achieve 10 and for the **Blue** award they will need to complete 15 challenges. This will be over the course of the year.

If the children raise money for a charity by putting in extra effort they can win a Citizenship Award Certificate for thinking of others, having an idea, putting in the hard work and raising money for a nominated charity.

We have attached the sheet of challenges – we hope your children enjoy achieving them both at home and at school. Please keep us informed of what the children have been working towards.

Knitting Project

Mrs Gray recently went to a Religious Education course with our Pre-School leader from Farway. They were both inspired by a project that was discussed and hope we can do something similar within The Jubilee Federation. Telling Bible stories visually is always a successful way to capture the pupils' attention and thoughts. The parish representatives talking at the meeting discussed how members of the community had knitted biblical characters to support this teaching technique. We are asking parents, grandparents and members of the community to help us build our own set of Biblical characters. If you aren't a confident knitter you can still help by spreading the word or sending in left over balls of wool. We will put a box in the entrance hall to collect donations of wool. The knitting patterns are coming home tonight too, and will also be in the office. Please take copies for any knitters you know! Mrs Gray's mum has already starting knitting in Liverpool!

Extra Opportunities Time

We will be starting our 'extra opportunities time' this half time on Wednesday afternoons. For those of you who are new to the school we run these sessions because many of our children catch the bus home, or live out of the village, so running after-school clubs becomes impractical. However, extra-curricular activities are a crucial part of school life and allow the children to have experiences outside of the areas offered by the statutory subject areas. This term, we will be offering the children the following:

Mrs Symonds	Singing club
Mrs Redding	Cookery club
Mrs Facey	Lego club
Mrs Trevelyan	Recorder club (for Y2 and above)

It would be fantastic for the children if we could offer them a range of activities, so if you or anyone you know has a particular skill (gardening would be ideal!), that they could offer for 30-45 minutes each Wednesday after lunch please ask them to contact Mrs Symonds.

Music Lessons

Guitar and Piano lessons will be starting again next week, they will now be taking place on Wednesdays instead of Fridays

Guitar club would be £3 per child per 30 min session (there needs to be a group of children to make this worthwhile) and piano would be £12 per 30 minutes. For children who have ever been in receipt of Free School Meals, we may be able to help with the cost, please speak to a member of office staff if this applies to your child(ren). The lessons would take place on a Friday.

Any Pianist would need to have an instrument at home to practise on – it doesn't have to be a piano, but a reasonable quality keyboard would be necessary, we do have a piano in school which could be used after school with the supervision of a parent, with prior arrangement. For clarinets, they would need to get an instrument; these can be hired if needed. We have guitars that the children would be able to use.

If your child would be interested in having music lessons please either speak to Sarah in the office or you can contact Emma on 01404 823083 or email empalmusic@gmail.com

Parent Helpers

We would be very grateful to hear from any parents or other adult family members who could commit to coming into school for an hour a week to listen to our children read. This can be a very rewarding role, and our children would benefit greatly.

Reminder to Parents

Just a reminder to parents not to drive up the lane and park outside the school at the beginning and end of the day, please remember that for the safety of the children we would appreciate that you park in the square and walk up to the school.

Key Dates

Mrs Gray will be in across the federation next week.

9th September – Tour of Britain cycling race

2nd October – Harvest Festival 3pm

17th October – Parents Evening

8th December – Christmas Lunch

12th December – Christmas play

21st December – Carol Singing in the Square

21st March – Parents Evening

31st March – Easter Service

21st April – St George's day Celebration

25th May – May Day event

11th July – Summer Play

12th July – Sports Day

18th July – Open Evening

21st July – Leavers' Service

Term Dates 2016/17

5 th September 2016	Term begins
24 th – 28 th October 2016	Half term
31 st October 2016	Non-pupil Day
21 st December 2016	Term ends
9 th January 2017	Term begins
13 th – 17 th February 2017	Half term
31 st March 2017	Term ends
18 th April 2017	Term begins
1 st May 2017	May Bank Holiday
29 th May – 2 nd June 2017	Half term
21 st July 2017	Term ends

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Primary School Menu Sept 2016

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Week 1	Main Course	Vegetarian	Vegetables	Dessert
Monday	Pasta Bolognaise with Garlic Bread	Quorn Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta & Garlic Bread	Carrots & Green Beans	Flapjack & custard
Tuesday	Hot Dog & Cheesy Potato Boat	Vegetable Sausage & Mash	Peas & Sweetcorn	Fruit Jelly Pot
Wednesday	Breaded Chicken Goujons & New Potatoes	Breaded Mozzarella Sticks & New Potatoes	Salad	Fruit Salad
Thursday	Roast Gammon	Leek & Potato Bake	Carrots & Cauliflower	Chocolate Mousse
Friday	Battered Cod & Chips	Vegetable & Cheese Wrap	Baked Beans	Apple sponge & custard

Week 2	Main Course	Vegetarian	Vegetables	Dessert
Monday	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Corn on the cob	Macaroni Cheese	Peas	Ice Cream
Tuesday	Steak Pasty (by Chunk of Devon) with Potato Wedges	Vegetarian Cottage Pie	Carrots & Green Beans	Treacle Sponge
Wednesday	Bacon & Cheese Panini with tortilla chips	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Salad	Chocolate Cookie
Thursday	Roast Chicken & Stuffing	Cauliflower cheese	Carrots & Broccoli	Fruit Flapjack & Custard
Friday	Salmon Nuggets with Chips	Cheese & Onion Pasty (by Chunk of Devon) with Potato Wedges	Peas & Sweetcorn	Strawberry Whip

Week 3	Main Course	Vegetarian	Vegetables	Dessert
Monday	Bangers'n'Mash!	Falafel Sausages & Mashed Potato	Carrots & Green Beans	Chocolate Fudge Cake
Tuesday	Pepperoni Pizza & Potato Wedges	Cheese & Tomato Panini with potato wedges	Salad	Fruit Crumble
Wednesday	Beef Lasagne with garlic bread	Vegetable Lasagne with garlic bread	Peas	Profiteroles
Thursday	Roast Turkey & Stuffing	Vegetable & Cheese Crumble	Carrots & Cauliflower	Sultana Shortbread & Custard
Friday	Chicken Goujons & Chips	Veggie Nuggets & Chips	Baked Beans	Iced Finger Bun

Week 4	Main Course	Vegetarian	Vegetables	Dessert
Monday	Pasta with Italian Meatballs	Vegetarian Pasta Bolognaise	Carrots & Green Beans	Chocolate Krispie Cake
Tuesday	Fish Fingers & New Potatoes	Macaroni Cheese	Peas	Sticky Toffee Pudding
Wednesday	Chicken & Cheese Panini with tortilla chips	Vegetable Curry & Rice	Salad	Gingerbread Man
Thursday	Roast Pork & Stuffing	Vegetable & Cheese Potato Shells	Carrots & Broccoli	Raspberry Muffin
Friday	Beefburger & Potato Wedges	Quorn burger & Potato Wedges	Peas & Sweetcorn	Cheese, fruit & Crackers

Sandwich & Jacket potato option.
Sandwich & Jacket options will include a pudding
Sandwich Fillings
Chicken Mayo, Roast Chicken & Salad, Ham & Salad, Tuna Mayo, Egg Mayo, Chicken Tikka, Cheese & Salad, Cheese & Tomato
Jacket Fillings
Beans, Cheese, Tuna Mayo
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Gluten Free or Dairy Free alternatives can be arranged on some dishes by prior notification

Yoghurt & Fruit are also always available as an alternative dessert option