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### **Dear Parents**

This week Class 1 have had a really exciting week. We started off the week investigating our lovely new mud kitchen. Thanks so much to all who provided pallets and old cooking equipment and thank you to Mr Symonds who spent Sunday designing and creating it. The children are very excited to be able to play in it so please make sure that they have wellies in school (we have a few spare pairs) and coats if the weather is bad so that we can take full advantage. We are planning to grow herbs in the top planters to add to our 'cooking'. If anyone has any herb plants that they would be happy to donate we would be very grateful.

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The children have all really excelled in their writing this week, starting off with our diaries of Incy Wincy Spider and then moving on on Tuesday to creating our own journey tales. In maths the children have been getting to grips with 2D and 3D shape. The lessons have been great in terms of discussion between the children about the properties of shapes. Please remember to bring in bean diaries and any photographs next week for the children to show and talk about. All in all a really great week in Class 1, well done to everyone

On Monday, we had a Ready, Steady, Write day. The theme was Incy Wincy Spider. The children started the day by learning how to sign Incy Wincy Spider in Makaton which was quite easy! They then used pom-pom spiders and a drain pipe to act out the story. Class two then decided to write a letter to Incy explaining to him how the water cycle works. They explained in detail about why it has to rain and what happens before it rains. After that, the children decided that they would help Incy out by creating a device to keep him dry in the rain. They planned their idea and then used junk to make their waterproofing device. In the afternoon, the children tested their inventions! Nearly all of the devices kept Incy dry. They then wrote instructions so that other spiders could make a waterproof device to keep them dry in a drain pipe.

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 Doing your best is more important than being the best. What do you think?

**Class 2** If you were a spider where would you live and why?

### **Key Dates**

25<sup>th</sup> May – May Day 2.00pm

26<sup>th</sup> May – Last Day of School, Break up for Half Term

5<sup>th</sup> June – First Day Back at School

26<sup>th</sup> June – HCC Transition Week

## May Day - Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Our May Day celebration takes place on Thursday 25th May at 2.00pm. The events over the last few years have been really lovely afternoons. In order for it to be another great occasion we would really appreciate some parent help in the morning of that day to help decorate the playground. We would also like donations of foliage, flowers and bunting in order to do this. Please let the office know as soon as possible if you are able to help. All children will need clean white t-shirts and black pumps, boys will need school trousers or shorts, skirts are provided for the girls. The May King and Queen and two attendants will need a party/bridesmaid style dress for the girls and the boys will need smart trousers, shirt and tie. The girls can also wear flowery head bands. Thank you for your help.

### THG Garden Party on Friday 19 May, 5 to 9pm with art activities until 8pm.

Relax amid the wild flowers and enjoy an evening of art activities including making willow bird feeders and pompoms, face painting and music all the way from the U.S.A. The amazing bluegrass duo <u>'The Lowest Pair'</u> from Minneapolis will be playing at the garden party as part of their UK tour. The gallery's new exhibition *Blooming Marvellous*, featuring a spectacular life-size knitted garden will also be opening late for the party. This family-friendly event is part of the national <u>Museums at Night festival</u>. Free admission and activities, donations welcome. Pay bar and food.

# **Collective Worship Activity**

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

