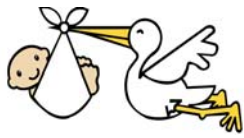




JUNE 2017

Headteacher's Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers, Phew! What a scorcher!



Mrs Cobb will be going on maternity leave at the end of the month and I am sure you will all join me in wishing her the very best of luck. We will let you know when baby Cobb arrives. In the meantime, after they have both graduated from South Coast SCITT, we are in a fortunate position to have Miss Lumsden to continue working in Giraffe Class in Mrs

Robertson's absence; and Miss Thompson to work in Zebra Class up until the end of July. This will provide the children with continuity and a familiar face. Miss Thompson will be back with us in September in her role as Class Teacher in Foundation. Mr de Lancy Green will move up with the children to teach in KS1 to aid in a smooth transition and he has already started working with children in Years 1 and 2.

Transition through the school - It is amazing how quickly the year goes by and before you know it the children are going into new year groups on their journey through the school. With this in mind and to help aid the transition into the next year we will continue to do the following:

- We have already started talking about moving to new classes in class and worship time.
- All children complete a specific 'Jigsaw' PSHE unit about changes and new starts.
- Foundation Parent workshop - Transition to Year 1 on **Tuesday 4th July at 5:30pm**
- Older children will be told in Worship on **Friday 7th July 2017** which class and which teacher they will have for the next year.
- Children will have time on **17th July 2017** to meet their new teachers and get familiar with their new classroom.
- In September, parents will be invited to meet their child's teachers and find out how they are settling in, this is also your opportunity to tell the teachers about your child and their personality.

Nothing stays the same and accepting change is a vital life skill. Please support your children to develop a positive attitude to change, prior to them finding out their new classes, and help us make this an excellent opportunity to make new friends and enjoy new learning experiences. **Thank you**

Growth Mindset - We are continuing to work on Growth Mindset throughout the next academic year 2017/18. We are starting to see really positive results and would ask parents to continue to support their children in this area. There will be more workshops to come on this subject.

Parent Volunteers - I am sure you have heard reports in the news recently about school budgets being cut, with budgets getting tighter and pupil needs more acute we are very stretched for extra helping hands. Please look out for a separate letter asking for volunteer parents coming soon.

Holidays in Term Time -

We are still unable to authorise any term-time holidays. If your child misses 5 school days unauthorised you may be liable to a fine starting at £60.

Book Swap for Parents -

We have introduced our new Book Swap in the School Foyer, it is important our children see us adults reading for pleasure.



English and Maths We will be sending out some 'Keeping Sharp' work for children to complete over the summer together with Transition Passports for children who need a little extra support. We will also be inviting parents to maths & English 'Help your Child at Home' workshops again early in the new academic year.



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The next Head's Coffee & Chat meeting due to take place at the end of June has been cancelled due to very low numbers this year. The meetings were originally introduced due to parents requesting more communication from school. The next meeting will take place in September (date to be confirmed) and will take place on a termly basis instead of half termly due to low attendance. The last Coffee & Chat meeting gave feedback on this year's parent questionnaire findings, please find a brief outline below, the full presentation can be found on our website: <http://www.bransgoreprimaryschool.co.uk/parents-zone/news>



88 families out of 242 completed the questionnaire	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>Don't know</u>	<u>Total</u>
-'My child is happy at this school'	65.91% 58	28.41% 25	4.55% 4	1.14% 1	0.00% 0	88
-'My child feels safe at this school'	64.77% 57	32.95% 29	1.14% 1	1.14% 1	0.00% 0	88
-'My child makes good progress at this school'	42.05% 37	48.86% 43	6.82% 6	2.27% 2	0.00% 0	88
-'My child is well looked after at this school'	59.77% 52	35.63% 31	2.30% 2	1.15% 1	1.15% 1	87
-'My child is taught well at this school'	48.86% 43	44.32% 39	4.55% 4	0.00% 0	2.27% 2	88
-'My child receives appropriate homework for their age'	28.41% 25	56.82% 50	10.23% 9	2.27% 2	2.27% 2	88
-'This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved'	46.59% 41	42.05% 37	6.82% 6	2.27% 2	2.27% 2	88
-'This school deals effectively with bullying'	19.32% 17	25.00% 22	10.23% 9	5.68% 5	39.77% 35	88
-'This school is well led and managed'	50.57% 44	43.68% 38	2.30% 2	2.30% 2	1.15% 1	87
-'This school responds well to any concerns I raise'	40.91% 36	42.05% 37	7.95% 7	1.14% 1	7.95% 7	88
-'I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress'	31.82% 28	47.73% 42	15.91% 14	2.27% 2	2.27% 2	88

Please Support our BSA.

The BSA's fundraising events and volunteers make so much possible for Bransgore School children. You can also help by volunteering at events and by continuing to donate prizes for the raffles and tombola for the next big event ...

Pupil Premium - Uniforms

Parents who have not yet spent their £50 uniform voucher for this academic Year Sept 2016 - August 2017 can do so until 31st August 2017. The new cycle will start again in September for the 2017/2018 academic year and new vouchers will be issued.



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SATURDAY 15TH JULY
FROM 4PM 'TIL LATE

BRANSGORE BANGIN' BARN DANCE

ON THE BRANSGORE SCHOOL FIELD

Families welcome
BBQ and refreshments available
Bar by Soho
Nerf Maze (weather permitting)
Barrow of booze
Photo booth (donations)
Bucking Bronco*
Cork Guns, * Tin Can Alley* and Coconut Shy*
Bouncy castle/inflatables**

LIVE MUSIC | BLACK SHEEP

FROM THE Village Pet Shop
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TICKETS: £30 PER FAMILY
(2 ADULTS AND 2 CHILDREN)
£12 PER ADULT AND £5 PER CHILD (UNDER 4'S GO FREE)

Tickets on sale at school or online at www.bransgoreprimaryschool.co.uk

* Included in ticket price ** Wristband £2 for unlimited ages