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Dear Parents,

The children in KS1 are really beginning to show us what they can do with some really good, sustained writing this week. In maths, they are now really starting to get to grips with different ways of thinking about problem solving and are becoming more confident with place value. The EYFS children have been busy learning this week and have been enjoying their home corner. They have been role playing with the dollies a lot this week and all enjoy giving them a bath, although they would be grateful for some more clothes to dress them in! A big thank you to my mum who has been busy knitting them some clothes. She has sent the class parcels of little trousers and vests and jumpers from Liverpool!

On Thursday the children celebrated harvest by holding their own worship in the church. They shared poems and songs that they had selected to fit the season. Class Two shared an autumnal poem while Class One sang a harvest song with actions. Even though we currently do not have a vicar, the children still kept the spirit of the celebration going and we hope to see parent support with more of our collective worship sessions on Thursdays.

This week Class Two have reached the end of many units of work and shared their successes in sharing assembly. They have created some fantastic alternative endings to our story 'Fair's Fair' which some of the children are now busy recording as bedtime story videos. In maths, they have been tackling some real life maths problems including ordering and comparing important dates in Queen Victoria's reign. In theme learning, the children have also moved on from Queen Victoria's life to look at Victorian toys particularly kites. Over the coming days the children will be designing and making their own kites.

On Monday, Class Two were lucky enough to take part in a Handball tournament at Honiton Leisure Centre. Six of the children joined the Farway children to create a 5/6 team and the rest of the children formed a mixed 3/4/5 team. They had great fun and showed excellent displays of teamwork. There was a good improvement on our scores from last year with Broadhembury scoring five goals overall and Farway scoring seven. All of the children have received participation certificates in sharing assembly and they are eagerly awaiting the next event.

I'm sorry I haven't managed to be at Broadhembury very much this week. Branscombe had its Ofsted inspection on Wednesday and so my plans were somewhat disrupted! A huge thank you to the staff team from across the federation who dropped everything to help and support the Branscombe team!

There will not be a Friday newsletter next week as the clerical staff member responsible for this has a planned absence. However, if there is anything urgent we will send a note home on Thursday.

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:** Can you write out the numbers from one to ten in alphabetical order. Are any in the correct numerical place? Try it with the numbers to twenty and then to thirty!

**Class 2:** What makes art beautiful?

### Key Dates

12<sup>th</sup> October – Whole School Skittles Competition at Farway

16<sup>th</sup> October – Class One Gym Festival

20<sup>th</sup> October – Last Day of Half Term

30<sup>th</sup> October – Non Pupil Day

31<sup>st</sup> October – First Day Back for Children

31<sup>st</sup> October – Class Two Swimming Lesson

### Secondary School Reminder

All year 6 parents need to apply for a secondary school place for their child by 31st October 2017. Applications can be made using the online system at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline) or by contacting My Devon, the customer service centre, on 0345 155 1019 to request an application form. The application form should be returned to the Admissions Team before the **31st October 2017**.

### Collective Worship Activity

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

### THINK TOGETHER ABOUT WORDS OF WISDOM

"Without **forgiveness** there is no future.... If you can **forgive**, then you can move on and even help the person you are forgiving to become a better person"

*Desmond Tutu*