



Newsletter July 2014

It is hard to believe that July is already here and the end of the school term is in sight! We have several events before the end of term and then we think it is time for a well earned rest!

New uniform and logo

You will see our new school logo in the top left of our newsletter and samples of the new uniform will hopefully be in school this week should you wish to view them. We propose to buy one sweatshirt or cardigan for each child currently in school, so can you please indicate your choice and size on the order form at the end of this newsletter? If you visit our school website you will see a photo of a willing model in the new sweatshirt (without logo) and the pale blue polo shirt. After ordering, we will notify you when the items arrive in

Thank you!

Thank you to Clare and David Frater who did an additional cut on our school field in preparation for our Community Day on 22nd June. Thank you to David Robinson who was instrumental in purchasing, organising and erecting our hen house. Our hens are well and truly settled into their home which is now on our school field as originally planned.



What a productive day!



We were overwhelmed with the support we received on our Community Day! Thank you all so much! Our school field has been transformed and is both visible and more easily accessed by our children who love the changes. Some parents have offered to make this a regular event and to be on hand to help us keep this fantastic area under control and accessible to our children, so thank you again, and we will be in touch!

Dates for your diary

Monday 7th July annual reports will go home to parents.

Wednesday 9th July Amble First School to visit.

Friday 11th July A 'come as you please' day! Non uniform or costume, come as you please!

Wednesday 16th July Tennis morning for all our children with Grant.

Friday 18th July A Gruffalo (or Teddy Bears') picnic! Can all children either bring a packed lunch or share a family picnic. (No school lunches that day). School will close at **2.15 pm**.

The New School Year!

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September Teacher Training days

Wednesday 3rd September school reopens for the new school year at **9 am**.

Safeguarding password

We have a password system in place for our Early Years children and we would like to extend that to include all our children from Nursery to Year Four from September. It is for times when you are unable to collect your children and you ask an adult who is not known to us, to collect your child. The adult will inform us of the password and we then know that you are happy for your child to go home with that person. Can you please supply us with a password for use for your child or children? We will keep it securely in school to be accessed only by the appropriate staff. You are welcome to change this password at any time by calling into school.

The New National Curriculum

We have been very busy looking at how we will deliver the New National Curriculum that comes into place in September. Our new School Brochure will be available on our school website to download which gives the details of what and how we hope to teach the new requirements. The topic for the autumn term will be 'Who are we?' beginning with looking at our community and our local area.



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Class Organisation

From September 2014 Mrs Ryan will be based in Class One and Miss Plunkett will be based in Class Two. We do work together to provide the best education for our children and so there is flexibility within this organisation. Each member of the team will use their strengths to engage our children in our creative curriculum.

Mrs Bone has been working as our lunchtime supervisor this half term and she will continue in that role in September. Mrs Bone and Mrs Lillie will continue to work with Mrs Ryan and Miss Plunkett in leading and supporting our children's' learning.

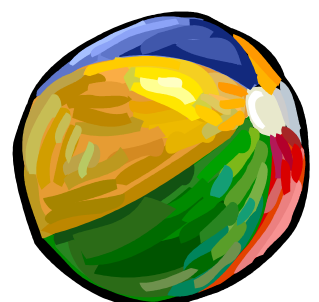
New play equipment

We are looking forward to our new play equipment being installed on our school field early this month by 'Infinite Playgrounds', so keep watching the school field!



We're all going on a summer holiday!

The Branton First School team wish you all a happy and enjoyable summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you at the start of our new school year, on Wednesday 3rd September.





Branton Community First School and Breamish Valley Community Nursery

Uniform Order form

Item	Item cost	Size	Number required	Total
Crew necked sweatshirt with school badge (Dark Jade) sizes 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12	£7.20			
Cardigan with school badge (Dark Jade) sizes 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12	£7.70			
Polo shirt with school badge. (Sky blue) sizes 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12	£5.50			
Book bag (Jade)	£4.50			
PE bag (Jade)	£3.25			
Beany hat (Sky blue) one size	£3.50			
Legionnaires cap (Sky blue) one size	£3.50			
Cap (Sky blue) one size	£3.50			
Complementary item -1 sweatshirt or cardigan for each child provided by school, see sizes above. Please indicate which you require.	Sweatshirt Cardigan			
Total cost of order (nil if no further items are required other than complementary item)				

Child's/children's name (s)

I enclose the amount for the total cost of the order..... cash/cheque

Signed Date

Unfortunately, items ordered mid year will incur a delivery charge. Please check with Mrs McCann.