

A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

Last term was all about saying 'GOODBYE' to children, friends and colleagues. This week has certainly been very much about saying 'HELLO' to our new arrivals.

"If you're brave enough to say goodbye, life will reward you with a new hello." - Paulo Coelho -

WELCOME BACK! – Only three days in and it feels like we have never been away! Our new and youngest pupils have amazed us with how quickly they have settled in and become very much part of our lovely Perran-ar-worthal school community. A big warm welcome back to you all!

NEW TEAM CAPTAINS – And with no delay of getting things in order, we have got on with the very important task of electing our team captains. See a note from Mrs Pallôt below:

In Swifts this week, children had the opportunity to be appointed by the class as Team Captains. Children who were interested in the job prepared persuasive speeches at home (many during the summer holiday!) and then presented them to the class. The children had clearly thought carefully about what the role of the Team Captain entails and spoke of how they would encourage other children, demonstrate how honest and trustworthy they are as well as how they would ensure fairness in choosing who would hold the flag each week (a very important job!). Children spoke about how they would not only be delighted with their team when they were winning but also how proud they would be of their team's efforts on other weeks too.

I was incredibly impressed by the effort and thought that had gone into the speeches. Following this, the class held a secret ballot and Captains and Vice Captains were elected. In the assembly later that morning the newly elected captains wowed the rest of the school with their confident and well thought out speeches. I'm sure they are going to do a fantastic job of representing their teams this year - they have already made me very proud! Mrs Pallôt This year's Team Captains and Vice Captains are:

YELLOW TEAM CAPTAIN: Isla McCandless VICE CAPTAIN: Rosie Lawrence BLUE TEAM CAPTAIN: Flo Archer-Cairns VICE CAPTAIN: Opal Perkins GREEN TEAM CAPTAIN: Ellowen Marven VICE CAPTAIN: Charlie Long RED TEAM CAPTAIN: Maia Rowe VICE CAPTAIN: Sophie Woodrow

FABULOUS FRIDAY – Today we are also sending out the rolling timetable for our Fabulous Friday Enrichment Curriculum activities, which you can stick on the side of the fridge or back of a door for reference, if you wish. The timetable also includes the dates for each Fab Friday so that you know when your child will need to come into school wearing their special Fabulous Friday T-shirt. The children have been told in assembly today that on these days they will be expected to wear sensible shoes or trainers and school trousers or dark coloured trousers, leggings or jeans. We have also told the children that they will need to wear their school jumpers on these days rather than hoodies or 'sparkly' jumpers/jackets. This will help to ensure the children look the same as they do for the rest of the week. Those doing outdoor activities will be informed if they require outdoor clothing. **Don't forget, if you fancy getting in on the Friday fun, then let Miss Braddon know in the office that you would like to volunteer. We would be delighted to have you join our Fabulous Friday sessions.**

ADULT CHOIR – If you have thought about joining in the past but never got around to doing it then please come along to our fun singing sessions on Monday evenings in the school hall at 5pm until 6.30pm. We will be starting Christmas songs in the next couple of weeks! Come along and immerse yourself in the festive vibe. Parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles, friends within and outside of the village are all very welcome. We hope to see you there.

FORTHCOMING DATES – Please find attached the list of dates that you may find a useful point of reference for the forthcoming year. These dates did go out on the last newsletter of the summer term 2017 but there have been a couple of changes since i.e. please see changes to the dates for the maths and English information evenings for parents.

STAFF LIST – With so many changes to staffing and the roles we have within our school, we felt it would be useful for you all to have an update of who is who, what we do and what we look like. Please see attached sheet. We hope this may be of some use, particularly for new parents.

SCHOOL LUNCH PRICE CHANGE - Please be aware that school lunches are now £2.30 per meal.

SOME DATES FOR 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

AUTUMN TERM 2017

Monday, 4th September: INSET DAY (school closed for staff training) Tuesday, 5th September: INSET DAY (school closed for staff training) Wednesday, 6th September: First day of term for all pupils Thursday, 7th September: Parent information afternoon with class teachers at 3.15pm Tuesday, 12th September: 1st Maths and English information evening for parents

Tuesday, 19th September: 2nd Maths and English information evening for parents

Friday, 22nd September: Start of Autumn term Fabulous Fridays

Tuesday, 26th September: 3rd Maths and English information evening for parents

Tuesday, 3rd October: 4th Maths and English information evening for parents

Thursday, 19th October: Harvest Festival at 2pm

23rd – 27th October: HALF TERM

Week beginning 6th November: Autumn Term Parental Consultations

Friday, 1st December: Last of the Autumn term Fabulous Fridays

Monday, 4th December: Christmas Tree Decorating Service

Wednesday, 6th and Thursday, 7th December: Infant Nativity

Friday, 8th December: Fund raiser festive film night

Wednesday, 13th and Thursday, 14th December: Junior Christmas Show

Friday, 15th December: Class Christmas parties

Tuesday, 19th December: Last day of term for pupils (all finish at 3pm) Wednesday, 20th December: INSET day (school closed for staff training) **SPRING TERM 2018 Thursday**, **4**th **January**: First day of term for all pupils Friday, 5th January: Whole school trip to Eden Friday, 12th January: Start of Spring term Fabulous Fridays 12th – 16th February: HALF TERM Week beginning 26th February: Spring Term Parental Consultations Friday. 23rd March: Last of the Spring term Fabulous Fridays Thursday, 29th March: Last day of Spring term **SUMMER TERM 2018** Monday, 16th April: First day of term for all pupils Friday, 27th April: Start of Summer term Fabulous Fridays Monday, 7th May: Bank holiday Week beginning 14th May: Year 6 SATs 28th May – 1st June: HALF TERM Thursday, 7th June: Camp Meeting for parents at 6.30pm Week beginning 11th June: Summer term Parental Consultations Week beginning 18th June: Year 5 and Year 6 camp Wednesday, 27th June: Sports Day (weather permitting) Wednesday, 4th July: Reserve Sports Day (if needed) Friday, 6th July: Last of the Summer term Fabulous Fridays Tuesday, 17th and Wednesday, 18th July: School Production Friday, 20th July: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and last day of term for all pupils (all finish at 3pm) Monday, 23rd July and Tuesday, 24th July: INSET days (school closed for staff training)

NB: We have provided the above dates which we hope will help you plan for next year. Please bear in mind that very occasionally, dates may need to be changed for unforeseen reasons. We will give you as much notice as possible if this is the case. As the year progresses you will be notified about further dates of events that have not yet been confirmed.

Perran-ar-worthal Preschool AGM

Perran-ar-worthal Village Hall (South Room) Tuesday 19th September at 7pm All welcome to the AGM

Perranarworthal Preschool is run by a committee of volunteers. We are seeking new committee members to secure the future of the preschool. If you can spare time for occasional meetings and would like to contribute to a vital resource in our community please join us:

Enquiries: Elaine or Jo: 01872 857220 (term time only) Shoe: 07986075076 Email: perranarworthal@yahoo.co.uk

Perranarworthal Preschool are looking for a preschool assistant to work Monday mornings and help with forest school every other Friday morning.

If anyone is interested please can they contact Jo or Elaine at the preschool on 01872 857220 or Shoe on 07986075076