# FRIDAY NEWSLETTER 23rd October 2015



#### A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

This week we have continued to focus on the British Value - Tolerance of those of different Faiths and Beliefs:

'We should acknowledge differences, we should greet differences, until difference makes no difference anymore.' Dr. Adela A Allen

HARVEST FESTIVAL CHARM! – Today the whole school presented their Harvest Festival songs and poems to a hall filled with parents and grandparents. The Puffins certainly turned on the charm with their Teddy Bears in the Woods song, the Robins used BIG voices when reading out their poem, the Starlings shared their talent for writing acrostic poetry, the Kingfishers enthusiastically shared their well written harvest poetry and the Swifts impressed with their knowledge of farming. A big thank you for your kind donations towards the local food bank and we have yet to hear how much money was raised from the rather exciting auction of produce for a charity of the school council's choosing. We hope you all enjoyed our celebrations as much as we did.

A BIG WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER OF STAFF! — This week the school has had the pleasure of getting to know three candidates for the teaching post for our Starlings class. We are delighted to inform you that Mr Ben Teasdale will be joining our team in January 2016. Mr Teasdale is an outstanding practitioner and was clearly a firm favourite with the children when he taught them a maths lesson this week. We are looking forward to introducing Mr Teasdale to the Perran-ar-Worthal community later this term. A huge thank you must go to Miss Burton, who has been with Starlings on a temporary basis since the beginning of term. Miss Burton has made the decision not to continue full time with the class due to family commitments but we are pleased she will at least be with us until the end of this Autumn term. I would also like to say how proud we are of our wonderful Starlings who behaved impeccably when being taught by all three candidates this week. Mr Teasdale will be very lucky to have our lovely Starlings as his class in January. Well done to you all!

MATHS MANIA! – On Wednesday evening this week, Mrs Pallot conducted her second of four maths workshops for parents. This week, Mr Colin Bridges, our Chair of Governors, attended the subtraction workshop where, along with a class filled with keen parents, he tackled a range of subtraction problems using the strategies children from Year 1 up to Year 6 need to know how to use in maths today. After half term, Mrs Pallot will run two further workshops for parents on multiplication and division. Once again, a big thank you to Mrs Pallot for all her hard work in preparing and presenting the workshops. All power points used during the sessions plus the calculation policy will be available on the website once the four workshops have been completed.

**QUIZ, MUSIC AND A PASTY!!!** – Don't forget to buy your quiz night tickets for what is becoming one of the school's annual fund raising events. If you haven't been to one of our quiz and music nights before you are certainly missing out! Bring friends to make up a team of up to 6 people. For £6 ahead you will get a pasty and your entry into the quiz. We hope to hear the community choir open the evening with song and later

on in the evening the music will be provided by 'Grapefruit Moon' whilst the nerve wracking process of marking the quiz sheets is being carried out. All we ask is that you bring your own choice of tipple to wash down that Cornish pasty and to fuel those brain cells. To enable us to order the correct number of pasties please can we ask you to purchase your tickets from the school office no later than Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November (after half term). Alternatively, you can also contact Sarah McConnell on **07707270897** to reserve your ticket and give your pasty order. So be sure to reserve **Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm** for a great night out at Perran-ar-Worthal School.

**THANK YOU TO THE UNIFORM LADIES** – The school uniform shop is now being run by Mrs Cunliffe who has kindly agreed to take on this rather demanding task. For several years now the uniform shop has been run extremely efficiently by Mrs McKnight. We would just like to say a big thank you for the time and effort Mrs McKnight has put into running the uniform shop which has demanded much of her time particularly in recent months with so many new pupils joining our school.

**PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS** – If you have not yet signed up for your parental consultation with your child's class teacher, please ensure you do this after half term. You can also contact the office to book an available slot if you are unable to get into school due to work commitments.

**POETRY RECITAL COMPETITION** – Just to remind you about the poetry recital completion that all children are welcome to compete in after half term if they wish. Competition entry forms will be available after half term. We hope to see as many pupils taking part as possible. Governors have been invited to sit as judges on the two days. We look forward to hearing a wide range of well-rehearsed poetry being performed. Good luck to all who wish to take part!

**HALF TERM HAS ARRIVED!** – Finally, that just leaves us to wish you all a lovely half term holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

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**FINAL CALL FOR SECONDARY TRANSFER APPLICATIONS!** We received an email from County Hall Admissions Dept on Monday advising that there are still 5 children that have not been put forward for a secondary school. We have left messages with these parents – and if you are one of them please may we ask you to apply a.s.a.p. The closing date is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015. Many thanks for your help with this.

**HEADLICE (nits)** We have reported cases of headlice in Kingfishers and Swifts. Please will all parents have a thorough check of their child's hair and apply treatment if necessary. The half term break is a good opportunity to break the cycle and your urgent attention to this matter would be much appreciated.

### Clubs:

**Netball club** will continue from the first day back after half term (Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov).

**Go-Active clubs** (Street Dance, Football, KS1 and KS2 Dodgeball) continue on the same days as they have been running from Monday  $2^{nd}$  Nov - until week-ending  $4^{th}$  Dec.

**Cross Country** returns from 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. If your child is continuing with this club please now send in your £5 contribution, thank you.

**Recorders** with Mrs Whomersley returns from 4<sup>th</sup> Nov.

**Art, animation, cookery and gardening** have now finished for the term.

**Gymnastics** – Sessions for this group have now finished. Update to follow re possible club to run in November.

#### **SPORTS UPDATE**

**Netball Match Report:** Perran-Ar-Worthal v Mawnan Smith: At the beginning we had Zoë, Violet, Eleanor Ellie and Merryn. We lost 7:0. In the second half we had Violet, Zoë, Hannah, Merryn and me on the court. The score was 0: 1 to... us! During the second half Zoë and another girl dived for the ball and went splat on the ground. Zoë stayed (she was limping) strong. The final score was 7: 1 to Mawnan Smith. Our team needs to work on a few things. Alice – team Captain

**Football Match Report:** Perran- ar- worthal vs Mylor A team: On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> of October it was a thrilling match against Mylor A we played our best in mid and defence, when I was in defence apparently I was a brick wall. Jack w and Carlo played really well in defence but they need to get their head in the game and run at them and tackle. In the second half we were 5 nil down. In mid in the first half were Ross, Jack T and Stanley they all played really, really well they kept possession for most of the first half and almost scored a couple of times. In the second half Ross and Jack T swapped off for Finlay and Zane they played as well in the second half as the first half. Sadly at the final whistle we lost 7 nil. Don't forget to bring your kit back after half term. By Toby

**Celebration Assembly:** The following children all received a Bronze Certificate in assembly this morning for achieving 50 points. Jasper De Labat, Cameron Caulkin, Lottie Richards, Joe Barber, Giselle Tyler-Scott, Leah Hennessy, Stanley Cameron, Charlotte Best, Phoebe O'Neill, Joshua White, Michael Ware, Jessica

Rowe, Hubertus Bronold, Lauren Partridge, Teagan Yendle, Noah Farrell, Isla Dark, Paige Murdoch, Lola Guinchard, Alex Teff, Arthur Long, Samuel Hatcher Teodulo. Very well done to you all.

**LOST SCHOOL COAT** – can anyone help please? Black fur-lined mid length M&S boys coat lost after school on Wednesday. It's an age 9 - 10 and has MW written on a label.

#### **FOPS Update**

**Quiz Night 6<sup>th</sup> November 7pm, School Hall** - Just a reminder that tickets are still on sale, £6 person, including a pasty. If you haven't purchased your ticket yet and would like to join us for the evening, please contact Sarah McConnell on **07707270897** during half term to let her know your pasty choice of steak or cheese. We can then let Perranwell Stores know how many pasties to order by the end of next week.

Your ticket will be reserved and can be paid for on the Monday we return to school, 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Please see Miss Braddon at the School Office to collect your tickets.

There will be a **"Blue Bag"** collection again at the end of November. For further information on textile recycling please go to <u>www.bag2school.com</u> The website details what clothing etc can be donated. Details to follow after half term. Thank you.

The next **FOPS meeting** is on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7pm at School. If you feel you can spare an hour of your time, please come along!

