



A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

As we turn our attention to Christmas our focus has been on giving and thinking of those who are less fortunate than ourselves:

'Always give without remembering and always receive without forgetting.' Anon

WHAT A TREE! – This week we launched the beginning of our Christmas festivities with, what has now firmly become our school tradition, the Tree Decorating Service. A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Bailey for kindly donating, what could possibly be, the largest Christmas Tree in all the primary schools in Cornwall! We were delighted to see so many parents and relatives at our celebration who clearly enjoyed singing along to the traditional favourites. Many thanks to parents for working with your children preparing the most wonderful range of creative decorations that always makes our tree so very special and unique. Thank you also to the parents who came on Monday to help ensure our tree was upright in time for the service and to those dads (our newly appointed Three Wise Men) who gallantly helped to ensure decorations did reach the higher points of the tree. Mr Anderson's height and long arms also come in handy! Mrs Trembath and Mrs Brooks were 'mightily' relieved to learn that the use of a hoist was not necessary! A great team effort - well done to all!

CHRISTMAS FAYRE BONANZA! – Although this newsletter is being written before the great event taking place this evening between 6pm and 8pm, it must be said that we anticipate this being the most exciting fund raising event so far this year. The effort that has already gone in to organising stalls, games, raffle prizes, SANTA's GROTTTO, will undoubtedly ensure the evening will be a huge success. A big thank you to all involved in helping to make this event so very special. In addition to Rona King, Sarah McConnell and Susie Matthews who have been a driving force behind this event, there are also many more people to thank for their hard work, enthusiasm and commitment to raising funds for our school. At 6.30pm this evening, we hope to see as many children take to the stage in the hall to join our community adult choir to perform some Christmas songs for your pleasure. Year 6 have also been very busy designing and making the most creative child friendly games for all ages to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you all at 6pm this evening and look forward to reporting in next week's newsletter of how successful the event has been.

DON'T MISS THE LOVELY CHRISTINGLE SERVICE – As in previous years, St Piran's Church will be holding their Christingle Service at 9.30am this Sunday. This service is open to everyone and is very much designed for the children. We hope that there will be plenty of willing children that will be happy to come up and sing a Christmas song during the service. We look forward to seeing you there.

MORE EXCITING EVENTS TO COME! – With the end of term fast approaching, next week we look forward to the infant nativity. The children have been busy this week, putting the final touches to their performance. I can guarantee that there will be a smile on the face of everyone in the audience and perhaps even a tear or two! The final week of term will be the turn of our junior children to delight the audience with songs and narrative that will tell the story of Christmas. Just to ensure you have all the remaining dates firmly penned into your diary, please see the list below:

- **Monday, 7th December** – Infant Nativity dress rehearsal (for KS2 pupils to watch)
- **Tuesday, 8th December** – Infant Nativity 1.30pm and 6.30pm
- **Wednesday, 9th December** – Infant Nativity 6.30pm
- **Friday, 11th December** – CHRISTMAS FILM NIGHT AND PUDDING MAKING EVENING 6pm
- **Monday, 14th December** – Junior Christmas concert dress rehearsal (for KS1 pupils to watch)
- **Tuesday, 15th December** – Junior Christmas concert 1.30pm and 6.30pm
- **Wednesday, 16th December** – Junior Christmas concert 6.30pm
- **Wednesday, 16th December** – CHRISTMAS DINNER TODAY(see details below)
- **Thursday, 17th December** – Class Christmas Parties 1pm (please could we ask that children bring in a plate of food to share - the school will provide the drinks)
- **Friday, 18th December** – WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY FOOD LUNCH (see details below)

Have a great weekend!

JOB VACANCIES

Temporary/Casual Lunchtime Supervisor vacancy: We are looking to recruit a lunchtime supervisor (Monday to Friday 12.00 – 1.00 p.m). Please speak with Mrs Heffer or Mrs Read if you are interested, or telephone / email the school for an application form. No experience necessary as training will be given. *We will require the usual staff checks (references, DBS, eligibility to work in the UK (e.g. passport, or birth certificate and N.I. info).* The position is available to be filled immediately.

CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS – Our governing body are looking to appoint a clerk to the governors. If you are interested or know of someone who may be interested, please contact the school office and leave your details. A draft job description is also available if you wish to consider this vacancy. We look forward to hearing from you.

Headlice: We have a reported case of headlice in Kingfishers. Please will all parents have a thorough check of their child's hair and apply treatment if necessary. We have a leaflet advising on the detection and treatment of headlice available from the main reception area – please help yourself to one if needed. Your urgent attention to this matter would be most appreciated.

All clubs are now finished for the term (this includes Go-Active and Netball).

Change to lunch menu 4th January 2016: Eden Foodservices will be serving sausage and chips rather than sausage and mash on the first day back after the Christmas holiday.

Little reminders:

Christmas Lunch 16th December: Order forms to be returned by Monday 7th please.

A reminder from school council:

We are running a Christmas Picture competition to raise money for the charity Crisis at Christmas. There will be a prize for KS1 and KS2. If you would like to enter, please bring your picture (any size and materials can be used – it must just be Christmassy!) to your school councillor, with 50p by Friday 11th December. Please put your name and class on the back of the picture. Thank you!

Last day of term: No hot lunches being served today, as we will be having Christmas Party buffet style lunch. Please remember to order a packed lunch before Tuesday 8th if you are not sending your child in with one from home (form available from school office). Thank you.

Celebration Assembly:

The following children reached 50 points and were presented with a Bronze certificate in assembly this morning: George Bennett-Hughes, Georgia Murphy, Sophie Woodrow, Flo Archer-Cairns, Charlie Munro and Nandor Nemeti. Alex Teff, Eddie Legge, Jasmine Tyler-Scott, Noah Rawlings, Oliver Cunliffe, Hubertus Bronold, Lola Guinchard, Maddy Wilson, Stanley Cameron, Lauren Partridge, Oliver Searle and Teagan Yendle reached 100 points and received a Silver certificate. A Gold certificate for reaching 150 points was awarded to Thomas Penna. Very well done to you all.

Note: Any child that received a 'temporary' Bronze certificate over the last week or so is welcome to return it to school to exchange it for the official version as they have now arrived. Please speak with Mrs Brooks or Mrs Read. Thank you.

SPORTS UPDATE:

Netball match report

Perran-ar-Worthal v Kennal Vale

The Netball match players, once again had a great success.

Within the first 30 seconds we had already scored 1 and at the end of the first half we were winning 9-2. Merryn and I work really well shooting together. In the second half we drew 2 all. Alice and Ellie were the 2 shooters. It was an epic match. The game finished 11:4. *Millie—Team captain*

Netball match report.

Perran-ar-worthal vs Marlborough

Our players were: Ellie; Zoe; Alice; Leah; Giselle; Violet and Merryn.

We started off really excited, waiting for all the other matches to finish, then we realised I forgot the bibs, so Mylor was very kind and let us borrow some. We started off the first half with Millie and I shooting, Violet and Alice in defence and Giselle as Centre. We started off really well, Millie and I scoring 9 in the first half and them only scoring 1. In the second half unfortunately nobody scored but we had a very good team on the court and they worked really hard. So after all the games of the season we won our last match. WELL DONE!!!

Thank you to Mrs Woodrow and Mr Anderson for coaching our team this year. By Merryn

Perran-ar-worthal vs Mawnan

On Wednesday 2nd December 2015 we played the best match ever in our team against Mawnan smith school. It was an exciting match and we played really well in defence and attack. At the first half we were winning 1-0. Sadly in the last five minutes they tackled us as we were attacking, past it down the line and they scored a fantastic goal. So at the end of this match it was 1-1.
Don't forget to bring your kit back on Monday! By Toby

FOPS Update

Christmas Fayre: Thank you to everyone who has already bought their tickets for the Fayre tonight and to you all for doing such a great job selling raffle tickets.

We look forward to seeing you at school this evening from 6pm onwards for what will be a very exciting and festive event.

Film Night: The deadline for returning your children's film choice letter is the Thursday, 10th December. £2.50 per child including refreshments.

Pudding Making Evening: Running at the same time as the film night, ticket sales are going well, if you haven't done so yet, please confirm and pay your £10 by Monday, 7th December. Thank you!

Blue Bags: Can you please drop off your donations at reception by Monday, 7th December as collection is at 9am the following morning. Further information can be found at www.bag2school.com.

Thank you to everyone for donating some lovely items for the themed hampers on non-uniform day. I think you will agree that the Hampers are looking really lovely and are on display in reception. There are many other prizes also included in the raffle so good luck to you all!

If you would like any further information, please speak to Rona King, Sarah McConnell or Susie Matthews.