



A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

This week there has been an air of excitement amongst the children with so many chatting to each other about the poems they have chosen to perform in our first ever school poetry recital competition. Indeed, on Thursday this week, many of our Puffins stood up in front of the whole school to recite their poems. Big voices, clear diction and huge smiles were greeted by a hall filled with applause from a very impressed audience. The infants have had the opportunity today to perform in the KS1 competition, the results of which we will share with you next week. We have been very impressed with the number of children in the school that have decided to share their talent and take part in this competition. I have no doubt that the judges will be blown away by the high standard and confidence with which the children will perform. More news about this event will be posted in next week's newsletter.

PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS - This week the school has been very busy late into the evenings. We hope that you have found these meetings helpful and informative. The staff will provide two further consultation meetings in the spring and summer terms. The dates for these are in the school calendar which can be found on our website. If you did not sign up for a meeting this term or did not attend the appointment you made, we would encourage you to ensure you attend next term's meeting to ensure you are fully informed of your child's progress. I would like to thank the staff for their hard work and dedication particularly during this very busy week.

MATHS WORKSHOPS (change of dates!!!) - A parent has brought it to our attention that next week's maths workshop clashes with the Festival of Lights in Truro marking the start of the Wednesday evening late night shopping in Truro. As this may affect the numbers attending, Mrs Pallot has kindly agreed to move the Wednesday evening workshops for the next 2 sessions to the Thursday evenings on both weeks i.e. Thursday, 19th November and Thursday, 26th November. We hope that this new dates will be convenient for you all. These have been well attended workshops. If you have not had the opportunity to attend one of these workshops, I would encourage you to do so if you are free as we have had very positive feedback following the last two sessions. Next week's session will focus on multiplication with the following week focusing on division.

QUIZ NIGHT SUCCESS - This year's fund raiser quiz night was another enjoyable and successful evening with nearly £300 being raised. Thank you to all involved in organising the evening to make it such a wonderful night.

FESTIVE FILM NIGHT - By popular demand the fund raiser film night is making a return. Next week we will be sending home a letter detailing the choice of films that will be on offer in school on Friday 11th December. As this is a festive season, on the same night as the showing of the films, there will be something for the adults to enjoy....the school hall will be opening its doors to anyone wanting to have some festive fun making their own Xmas pudding to take away to cook on that special day. More details of this will be sent out next week.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - The date for the Christmas Fayre is fast approaching and excitement is brewing with the promise of so many lovely stalls, great raffle prizes, Santa's grotto and much more. Today, Year 6 have been involved in beginning the process of preparing some child friendly games for the children to spend their pennies on with the hope of winning prizes. A big thank you goes to all those involved in making this event the success we know it will be. If you feel you can help in any way or wish to have a stall at the Fayre or know someone who you think would like to have a stall to sell their homemade crafts/goods, please see Rona King, Sarah McConnell, Susie Matthews or any FOPS member. Tickets will be available from the office, the local pub and also from the FOPS parents in the playground before and after school. Raffle tickets will also be available soon. Watch this space!

SAD FAREWELL - This term we will be saying a sad farewell to Mrs Angela Hobday who will be leaving for pastures new before Christmas. Mrs Hobday is well known for the wonderful support she has given children with additional needs in her role as Teaching Assistant and Learning Support Coordinator. She will be missed by us all as a friend and skilled colleague. We wish her all the very best for the future and hope she will come back and visit us from time to time.

SWIMMING GALA - Today, a group of Year 5 and 6 swimmers were taken to Truro Pool to compete against other primary schools within our cluster. The children did themselves proud and clearly enjoyed taking part. The final results will be shared next week. Well done to you all!

CHILDREN IN NEED - Although there has been several charity fund raiser events recently, we could not let this special day go by without offering our support. Many thanks for your generous contribution to such a worthy cause.

REMEMBRANCE DAY - On Wednesday this week, the whole school came together to show their respect for those lives that have been lost. The special assembly which lead up to a few moments of silence at 11am, included the reading of two heartfelt poems penned by two pupils from Kingfishers. So many children have put their thoughts on paper impressing the teachers with their mature and thoughtful approach to this very poignant topic. Well done and thank you children for your special words. We plan to post the children's poems onto our website shortly.

Have a lovely weekend!

Blue Bags – FOPS have once again arranged the 'Blue Bag' fundraising event, and the bags will be sent home with children next week. The idea is that you fill the bag up with any old clothes that you no longer need. The clothes are collected and weighed, and FOPS receive a cash payment in return. This could be your ideal opportunity for a wardrobe clear out!

Little reminders:

1. **Sept 2016:** If you have a child that will be starting school for the first time in September 2016, please remember to apply for a place before the closing date of 15th January.
2. **P.E. Kit:** Please ensure that your child has his or her P.E. kit at school at all times. Thank you.
3. **Cross country:** Only 5 out of 19 children have paid their £5 for this half term. If your child attends the cross country club with Mrs Lakin on a Thursday morning, please would you send your £5 contribution in next week. Thank you.

4. **Lunch Money:** Should be sent in on a Monday please – not daily throughout the week. You may pay for several weeks in advance if it is more convenient (cheques payable to Eden foodservices) Thank you.
5. **Jumble sale:** Pre-school are holding a jumble sale on Saturday 21st November 10am - 12pm at Carnon Downs Village Hall. If anybody has any jumble they would like to donate, please drop it to pre-school Mon – Wed next week or speak to Jo Howell 07887851405. Please come and support our local pre-school in this fundraising event.

Celebration Assembly:

Eleanor Teff, Daniel Vincent, Liberty Dingle, Ruby Woon, Opal Perkins, Jack Wilkes, William Best, Charlie Long, George Jagers, Rowan Leigh, Harry Murphy, Matilda Grose, Amelia Vincent, Beth Wootton, Ellie Jamieson, Katy King, Oscar McConnell, Zoe Willocks, Ruby Richards, Jude Marven and Finn Wootton all received a Bronze Certificate this week. Daniel Matthews, Morley Neale, Jonty Bailey, Genevieve Pinnick, Paige Murdoch, Chloe Saayman and Isla Cameron all received a Silver Certificate. Very well done to you all.

SPORTS UPDATE:

Perran-Ar-Worthal vs Mabe

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First half we scored 5-1 to us. Our places were: me centre, Millie GS, Merryn GA, Ellie GD, Zoe GK, and we all played amazingly then in the second half our places were Zoe centre, Alice GS, Violet GA, Millie GD, Me GK we were all so excited to come back to school and tell Mr. Anderson how we had won and that we had a lucky charm which was Mrs. Heffer. In the end it was a total of 8-2 to us we were bouncing with excitement. *Giselle*