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VERY MOMENT MATTERS!

This week's focus has been **HEALTHY FRIENDSHIPS**



PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL PRIMARY'S PERFECT PENZANCE PRESENTATION

Perran-Ar-Worthal Primary School's Youth Speaks Team travelled to Penzance this week for the Rotary International's 2020 Junior Competition – and came away as very happy winners! Previously, the Team had entered the Truro Area Competition and, as Runners-Up to another local school, achieved their place in the prestigious Western Area Final. The Team consisted of 3 very talented Year 6 Perran-ar-worthal school public speakers and they rehearsed every Monday in their lunch hour. Their presentation was "An Eco-Friendly Journey", which took the Judges and audience on a fast-paced, articulate and witty journey from their own Swifts' classroom to the seas off the coast of Chile. The Chair person in the team gently teased the Judges that it shouldn't be 11-year old children who were having to drive this agenda, while the main speaker in the team robustly challenged all the adults in the room to take their own steps to be Eco-Friendly. Finally, the Proposer of Thanks wrapped up the Presentation with an impressive Vote of Thanks not only to the team but also to the organisers. Facing strong competition against 10 schools from across the West of the County, the Senior Judge was keen to underline their professional team-work, which scored so highly. The Team now progress to the District Final (the best schools from across Devon and Cornwall) to be held in Saltash. A huge thank you to Mr Teasdale (senior) for preparing the children so well for the event and to Mrs Teasdale for her additional guidance and huge support. We are so proud of the Team! Having never entered the Competition before, we were delighted that they were placed as Runners-Up in Truro. To then win the Western Area Final is testament to their hard work and commitment. Well done to this amazing team and a big thank you to Rotary International for organising these finals.



Well done to all the teams that took part!

BUSY LITTLE PUFFINS! - There's been a lot going on down in the KS1 department over the last few weeks. Digging, planting, building, writing, painting and of course, lots of fun!



A BUSY DAY AT THE FAIR TRADE STALL! - The Fair Trade Team were kept very busy this week with their selection of yummy Fair Trade goodies. Money collected from sales is used to purchase further items for the stall which runs on Thursdays—much to the delight of all the children. Well done to our Fair Trade team for running the stall with such enthusiasm!



AMAZING ART DISCOVERIES! - Our Year 5 pupils have been busy creating the most amazing pieces of artwork in the style of the artist Gustav Klimt. All pupils enjoyed learning about the history of this artist and were very interested to hear about the recent discovery of an authentic Klimt artwork found hidden inside a wall! If you get a chance, please do come and enjoy the impressive display of the children's artwork.



Painting hidden in wall is £50m lost masterpiece

IT had been missing for 23 years with art lovers convinced thieves spirited it away. Now experts have confirmed that a painting found hidden in an art gallery's wall is Gustav Klimt's £50million masterpiece Portrait of a Lady. A gardener stumbled across it while clearing ivy which revealed a small metal door in the wall at Ricci Oddi Modern Art Gallery in Piacenza, Italy, last month. The painting, pictured, was in a black bag in the recess. Experts on the work of Austrian master Klimt have now confirmed it is the painting he completed in 1917. Police believe thieves used a fishing line to hook the masterpiece off the wall and haul it up through an open skylight to the roof of the gallery. It is not known why they hid it in the wall and failed to return for it. Local prosecutor Ornella Chicca said yesterday: 'The work is authentic.'

FABULOUS FRIDAY JUST KEEPS ON GETTING BETTER! - Over the last few weeks, Year 6 have been learning a new skill in art creating a piece of artwork using hot wax and fabric paint. Batik work certainly needs a steady hand to create these quality results and it is clear that our Year 6 pupils have what it takes to use this art medium to show off their creative skills to the best of their ability! This half term, our Year 6 will be learning to use the needle and thread and sewing machine as they work with a range of fabrics to create their own designer cushions. Watch this space! Well done Year 6!



WELCOME TO THE WORLD! - There was a flurry of fluffy excitement in school today as the children witnessed the arrival of several little chicks. Some had arrived a day early and had spent Sunday fluffing up their feathers ready to impress on Monday morning. The last few sleepy chicks decided to wait until Monday to make an impression and indeed they did! What a great way to learn about the beautiful science of nature!



DISCO

DISCO FEVER AT PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL SCHOOL! - The school became a hot spot for Disco Divas on Friday night, with pupils from Reception to Year 6 attending this very popular fund raising event! A great deal of fun was had by staff as well as pupils, all of whom could pull some impressive shapes on the dance floor! A big thank you to FOPS for organising the event, to the staff who came to support and of course a huge thank you to our Disco Dad who has become our resident DJ! A great night was had by all and over £400 was raised for the school.





OUR NEW PARENT GOVERNOR! - A very big welcome to Mrs Julianne Shelton, our new parent governor, who will be joining our dedicated Governing Board this term. As a director of her own business, Mrs Shelton will be bringing a great deal of skill to support the continuing development of Perran-ar-Worthal School. We very much look forward to working with her.



OUR NEW LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR! - We also welcome Mr Chris Lea, our new Local Authority Governor, who has recently joined our Governing Board. As the retired Headteacher of Mylor School, Mr Lea brings a great deal of experience in education following his many very successful years in post. We are also very much looking forward to working with him.



HURRAH! - No one could have been more relieved to see the new, correctly positioned compass and new chess board on the playground on our return to school this half term! Giant chess and draught pieces have been ordered ready for action. We just need some good weather now!



DON'T FORGET! - It's World Book Day on Thursday and we will be celebrating in the usual 'style'. We look forward to seeing the children (and staff) dressed up as their favourite book character—don't forget to bring along your book to share!

WHAT'S COMING UP? DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!!!

Kids Disco – Friday 28th Feb, School Hall KS1 6-7pm, KS2 7.15-8.15pm

Spring concert – **new date to be confirmed**

Non uniform day – Thursday 16th April – chocolate donations

Family Easter Choccy Bingo – Friday 17th April 6-7pm, school hall

Family Quiz – Thursday 25th June, 7pm school hall

Perranfest Summer Garden Party – Sat 11th July 4-9pm to include Gin garden, BBQ, skimmers beer, forest school (arts & crafts), playground games, tug-o-war, Auction of Promise

Farmers Market Stall – Sat 21st November

Next FOPS meeting – Thursday 23rd April 7.30pm at school - all welcome 😊



TEAM POINT WINNERS

Certificates Awarded 25th February 2020

BRONZE CERTIFICATE – 50 TEAM POINTS

Tilly Scrivener, Archie Lewis, Chloe Saayman

SILVER CERTIFICATE – 100 TEAM POINTS

**Myah Peters, Indah Williamson, Esme Ruddick, Rosie Sells, Eli Guimaraes,
Rowan Kneebone, Holly Court, Violet Blackburn, Jamie Pennington**

GOLD CERTIFICATE – 150 TEAM POINTS

Izzy Hampton, Matthew Debenham, Matilda Grose, Sol Guimaraes