FRIDAY NEWSLETTER 27th April 2018



A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

This week our virtue focus has been 'HELPFULNESS':



SO, WHAT WOULD IT BE LIKE TO BE AN ASTONAUT? - Well, this is a question that the Robins have been asking themselves. This week they have come even closer to really feeling what it would be like to live in space for a long time by trying out some real space food. Much to their delight, the dehydrated ice cream, although not cold, did taste rather yummy! As part of their work on explorers this term, the children have been enjoying the adventure of learning through finding out about different explorers and the places they went to. Following on from their space food tasting experience this week, the children then carried out a data collection activity to create a graph showing which flavour ice cream was the most popular. What a fun and exciting way to learn! I have a feeling the staff are having just as much fun as the children!



YUMMY DIPS TO MAKE AND SHARE! – This week, as part of the cooking workshop sessions for Year 2, the children have been making some rather delicious and very healthy dips to taste and share. Raw veg has never tasted so good when dipped in bowls filled with Cheese Tuna Dip, Humous, Beetroot Dip, Yogurt and Honey Dip and Tzatziki Dip! The children were all willing to try new flavours for the first time and all were surprised at how many different flavours they actually liked.



RASPBERRIES AT THE READY! – It's the turn of the Year 4 children to tackle the challenge of learning to make a 'recognisable sound' with a cornet. Today, Year 4 was introduced to the joys of learning a brass instrument and there was no holding back for all involved! Much fun was had learning how to blow a raspberry through the mouth piece. The next few weeks will see the children learn to play notes and perform a short instrumental piece.







FAB FRIDAY DRESS CODE! — It was lovely to see those Fab Friday T-shirts coming in to school today as a sign that the summer term Fabulous Fridays have started. We would just like to thank the children for remembering the dress code for Fab Fridays. For those few children that may need a reminder, the picture shows what we would expect to see you wearing on Fab Fridays as part of your Fab Friday uniform i.e. Fab Friday T-shirt (you can also wear a long sleeved T-shirt underneath if you wish), school jumper (not a hoody or any other sweatshirt), plain dark coloured trousers/shorts or jeans (or school trousers, skirts or shorts), comfortable/sensible footwear (these can be trainers or boots or you can wear your school shoes if easier). Thank you.

YEAR 5 CAN HELP US ALL STAY SAFE! — This week, our Year 5 pupils attended the Junior Life Saving Workshops at Falmouth Fire Station. During their visit, they learnt the correct way to put a causality into the recovery position, staying safe online, spotting fire hazards around the home and how to prevent a fire from happening, why wearing a seatbelt is so important and the importance of knowing when and where it is safe to swim in the sea. During their time at the fire station, the Year 4 pupils demonstrated excellent behaviour and asked many thought provoking questions. They even had a chance to quiz one of the fire officers about the equipment carried on a fire engine. A very informative afternoon out where we should all now feel a little safer now that our Year 4 pupils are aware of how to keep us all safe. Well done to all!





GOOD BYE MRS HOCKING! – On Monday, Mrs Hocking will be paying us a last visit to say goodbye to the staff and children. The staff and pupils have some gifts to present to Mrs Hocking in assembly. If any parents would like to add to our donations towards the purchase of a voucher and some flowers for Mrs Hocking, then please could you hand your donations to the office on Monday morning. Many thanks.



THANK YOU FROM THE GARDENING CLUB! – Mrs Waters are her keen group of gardeners would like to say a big thank you to the FOPS for funding a new wheelbarrow and bags of compost which Mr Bailey very kindly delivered to the school.



PARENT GOVERNOR BALLOT – Have you voted yet? If not, you still have until Monday to fill in your ballot paper and send it in to the school office. We look forward to announcing the results of the ballot next week. Good luck everyone!

PACKING THE BINGO PLAYERS IN! – Last Friday's chocolate bingo was another huge success raising nearly £400! A great evening of fun and laughter was had by all with parents and children leaving the school clutching their chocolate winnings! Thank you to all who took part to make it one of the most popular annual fund raiser events. Even Mr Teasdale went home with a smile on his face!



PLEASE HELP US KEEP YOUR CHILDREN SAFE! — Please can we once again remind parents to ensure that when picking up at the end of the day, your children **must not** play in the school car park. This is a particularly busy time of day when cars may be driving into the carpark or leaving. This week, several young children were seen running around the carpark and in-between the parked cars between 3pm and 3.15pm. Pupils have also been found running behind the canteen building and in areas where the bins are stored. These places are dangerous and unsupervised and are out of bounds. Please help us keep your children safe from harm as accidents can happen. The school cannot take responsibility for your child after they have been handed over at the end of the school day but we urge you



to please keep them on the path or near you. We are however, happy for the children to be in the playground adjacent to the carpark between 3pm and 3.15pm but supervision will be the parents' responsibility. Please could we also ask that no balls or wheeled vehicles, such as scooters or bikes, are brought into the playground at this time. Thank you for your support with this.

IF YOU ARE LATE COMING TO SCHOOL! - Please be aware that if, for some reason, your child is late arriving at school, there is now a new late-in form that needs to be completed. We are pleased to say that lateness is not a huge issue for our school but persistent lateness does still need to be monitored closely. Please see below for the sample of the form that will need to be completed. Thank you.

	./MEDICAL APPOINTMENT/ 001 EARLY LEAVING				
Date	Class				
Name of Pupil					
Reason Given for Late	Arrival or Early Collection / Medical				
Reason Given for Late Signature	Arrival or Early Collection / Medical				

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Late Arrival	Leaving Early	
Illness	Letter Received	- 2
Appointment	Other	

TO THE PARENT OR CARER

- Under the provisions of the Education Act you are legally responsible for your child's regular and punctual attendance.
- . It is essential that your child attends school regularly and on time, in order to ensure good academic achievement. Habitual lateness disrupts your child's educatio
- · Please ensure that, whenever possible, medical appointments are arranged outside school hours. If this is not possible, evidence of the appointment, e.g. appointment card / letter, must be provided.
- Irregular and late school attendance is monitored by the education welfare officer and parents may be liable to a fixed penalty notice.

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CAPA Next Steps!

Free music workshops for beginner **Brass players**



CAPA (Creative Arts Primary Academy) Next Steps is a free opportunity for students who have tried out learning a brass instrument as part of a whole dass at school and would now like to explore further before signing up for lessons or joining an ensemble. It's also suitable for beginner brass players who have recently started lessons.

If your child has tried out learning a brass instrument at school, or has recently started lessons, they can sign for this free ensemble project. The ten sessions will run fortnightly from THURSDAY 19th APRIL.

Pre-booking is essential

Dates - Thursdays, weekly from 19th April

Time - 4-4:45pm

Location - Penryn College Music Department, Penryn

Please register in advance by contacting Mrs Barry at Penryn College sbarry@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk

YEAR 5/6 CAMP – Just a reminder that camp needs to be paid for in full by Wednesday 23rd May. Thank you!

TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS FROM THIS WEEK -

Silver – Ralph Neale, Shannon Hennessy, Jack Matthews and Poppy **Davies**

Gold - Rachael Collis and Eddie Legge Medal - Cara McCandless, Willow McCandless and Noah Rawlings Well done to you all!

this is YOUR village, have YOUR say!

If you are aged 10-25 let us know what you want from your village, now and in the future





The Neighbourhood Plan team need your views on the future of our village, so come along to the Village Hall and let us know what YOU think!

ALL WELCOME VILLAGE HALL 6-8pm Friday 4th May & Friday 18th May FREE REFRESHMENTS Call Helen Pettett on 01872 862667 for more details.

FOPS UPDATE

Thank you to everyone that came along to last nights FOPS meeting. We had lots to discuss and I wanted to share with you some important dates for your diaries.

We are focussing on raising funds to purchase an all-weather outdoor learning area/parents shelter and have planned the following events to endeavour to raise as much as possible towards this. We wondered if any parents might know of any information regarding matched funding for educational outdoor learning projects- if so please speak to Mrs Heffer.

Summer Fayre, Saturday, 30th June, from 2pm onwards - The fayre will follow our normal format, including competitions such as a "Bake Off", children's art/flower arranging/themed model arrangement, a wide variety of stalls, outdoor games, hopefully police/ambulance/fire appearances, Cornish Pirates – tbc, BBQ, Pimms Tent, refreshments, tombola and much more.

If you have a talent and would be happy to help with face painting, hair braiding or painting nails please let myself or Miss Braddon know.

I will display a volunteers rota in reception nearer the time as we will need help on the day setting up, covering stalls, helping with refreshments, running games and clearing away at the end.

We are hoping to have a quality second hand toys and books stall similar to what we had at Christmas, so if you are planning some cupboard clearing soon, please set items aside and bring into school nearer the time. We will also be grateful for any tombola items if you would like to donate anything suitable – thank you!

We thought a "festival theme" would be a good idea for the day, so Mrs Heffer will be putting together a musical programme. If any parents would like to showcase their musical skills at the fayre, please contact Mrs Heffer to discuss options.

Non-uniform day, Thursday, 14th June - We would be grateful if children could bring in a themed donation that will form part of 5 luxury hamper raffle prizes. I will let you know nearer the time what your class "theme" is.

Auction of Promise, Friday, 6th July, 7pm, School Hall - Please look out for a letter coming home with the children today with details of this event. We look forward to receiving your "promise" donations, the deadline for this is Friday, 15th June. I will let you have a list of the lots a couple of weeks before the auction, this will give you time to decide what you would like to bid for. If you are unable to attend on the night, you can submit silent bids to the school office.

This will be an adults only evening, there will be no entry fee and you are very welcome to bring your own refreshments and nibbles.

We are waiting for confirmation from a local auctioneer, however just in case he is unavailable; if any parents personally know an auctioneer they think would be happy to donate their time to run the auction please let Miss Braddon know.

Hope you have a lovely weekend, Sarah McConnell, FOPS Secretary.