

## A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

This week's focus has been looking at how KINDNESS fits into the BRITISH VALUES:



**HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WELCOME BACK** – On behalf of all the staff at Perran-ar-Worthal staff, we would like to thank you all for your kind wishes and generous gifts and cards at the end of the Christmas term and to wish you all a Happy New Year. We look forward to spending 2017 working with you again.

**A NEW ARRIVAL FOR ONE OF OUR TEACHERS!** – Mr Anderson and his wife started 2017 in the best way possible, a new baby. Genevieve Anderson was born on January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9lbs 5oz. I am sure you will all join us in congratulating them on the new addition to their family. A very proud Mr Anderson and Genevieve's big brother Alex, are pictured below.



**NO BROKEN BONES AT EDEN** – Another very successful and wonderfully exciting day was spent at Eden ice skating and visiting the biomes to see how the plants have changed. All children returned in one piece with only our poor Mrs Brooks sporting a few aching bones after an altercation with a sledge! A huge thank you to FOPS for their generous donation towards this annual trip which the children thoroughly enjoy. The behaviour of all our pupils was exemplary and noted by staff at Eden. Thank you children for representing your school so well.

**FOPS ARE GETTING EXCITING AGAIN!** – Last night saw the first meeting of the Spring term where many exciting new ideas for future fund raising events were shared. Dates for the following events will be confirmed and sent out next week:

- Fund Raiser Spring Concert
- Open Day Cream Tea Rooms and Creative Competition for Adults and Children
- Spring Term Quiz Night
- School Disco
- Chocolate Bingo
- Summer term monthly cake stalls

**The next FOPS meeting will be held in school at 7pm on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Come along and enjoy the fun, tea and cakes! We would welcome any new faces that may feel a little unsure about what FOPS is all about. Come and get to know us and become part of a dynamic team of parents who work together to organise exciting events to raise money for the children.

**FANTASTIC RESPONSE TO THE HOME LEARNING CHALLENGE** – We have been very impressed with the standard of work the children have produced in response to the home learning challenge on British Values. Even our youngest children have amazed us with their knowledge and understanding of words such as democracy and tolerance. In

addition to the posters that have been handed in we would like to mention Ellowen Marven who sent in her poster that related to 'The Convention on the Rights of the Child'. Please see below for the 7 values Ellowen decided to include in her poster taken from the 42 that are listed within the convention:

- Your family has the main responsibility for guiding you so you learn to use your rights properly. Governments should respect this right.
- You have the right to rest, have leisure, play and participate in cultural and artistic activities.
- Education should develop your personality, talents, mental and physical abilities. It should prepare you for active participation in a free society and encourage you to respect your own culture and other peoples' culture.
- You should not be discriminated against for any reason including your race, colour, sex, language, religion, opinion, origins, social or economic status, disability, birth or any other quality of your parents or guardian.
- All actions and decisions that affect you should be based on what is best for you or any child.
- The government should make the convention known to all parents, institutions and children.
- The government should make these rights available to you and ALL children.

In receiving this work we have decided to adjust our Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural curriculum document to include the reference to 'The Convention on the Rights of the Child' as part of our Pupil Voice and PSHE sessions. A poster is now displayed in the reception area if you wish to read all 42.

**IT'S THAT COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVAL TIME OF YEAR AGAIN** – Yesterday a letter was sent home about the County Music Festival. Please could we remind you that the closing date is next week and any completed forms will need to be handed into the office by **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> January** to ensure the application forms can be sent on time, this includes names for those children wishing to be in the choir.

**FABULOUS FRIDAY WORKSHOPS ARE HERE AGAIN** – Today has seen the first fabulous Friday of the Spring term. There has been a hive of activity with creative bird house designs being drawn, delicious pizzas being made, chilly walks through forests, heated discussions in pupil voice, beautiful printing in art and....wait for it.....trumpet playing! Yes indeed! This term, the upper juniors will have a weekly brass lesson with Sara Munns (brass music specialist). Please prepare yourselves for the tootling of trumpets drifting through the village between 2pm and 3pm every Friday. Even Mrs Pallot was keen to have a go!

Have a great weekend!

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**TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS FROM THIS WEEK –**

**Bronze** – Jake Mackrill, Noah Dunnett, Lucien Ansary, Alex Teff and Charlie Munro.

**Silver** – Grace Macindoe, Shannon Hennessy, Jonah Hampton, Ellen King, Eli Mitten, Rowan Searle, Charlotte Best, Mo Sterry, Maia Rowe, Jack Jamieson, Sapphire Bennett and Charlie Long.

**Gold** - Cara McCandless, Flora Clark, Morgan Willey, Daniel Matthews, Daisy Davies, Sophie Holt, Jack Barker, Boaz Opie-Bos, Noah Rawlings, Chloe Saayman and Barney Dunnett.

**Medal** – Thomas Penna

**RAK Club:** Well done to Oscar McConnell who has been nominated this week by another pupil for showing such great sportsmanship towards the other team by thanking them for a great game when his team beat them in a basketball match. Well done also to Sophie Woodrow and Georgia Murphy who have been nominated for raising £35 for Cancer Research because they 'just wanted to do something to help.' Mrs Heffer would like to nominate Darcy White for offering to help when Mrs Heffer was carrying too many things and dropped items on the floor in the corridor.

**Well done to you all!**