FRIDAY NEWSLETTER 2nd October 2015



A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

This week's British Value Focus has been 'Individual Liberty':

'What light is to the eyes — what air is to the lungs — what love is to the heart, liberty is to the soul of man.' Robert Green Ingersoll

OH, TO BE A POET! - This week we have had the delights of poetry being performed by children from all ages. On Wednesday, the Starlings impressed the whole school with their interpretation of the poems they have been learning as part of this term's home learning activities. We were all impressed with how confidently the children performed and how well they had learnt their choice of poem. We enjoyed a full range of poems from different authors provoking different reactions from the listeners, the poems with humour proving to be most popular with the children. Well done to all who have learnt a poem so far. This has clearly been a home learning activity that many have enjoyed. Thank you again to parents for your continued support with home learning.

THE PUPPET IS BACK! - On Thursday, we enjoyed an assembly with one of the children's favourite visitors, Alan Offord, who tells his stories with the help of a puppet and pictures that he paints as the story unfolds. The slightly badly behaved puppet had the children captivated – certainly an assembly to remember!

TEDDY BEARS! - This week, the Puffins have been learning a class poem entitled 'Teddy Bear! Teddy Bear!' Having enjoyed the performance of this lovely poem in the classroom, I asked Mr Anderson if he could find out from the children how they would feel about performing in front of the whole school. Having used a 'democratic vote', Mr Anderson found that the feeling was unanimous amongst his class and indeed, the school was treated to a wonderful rendition of 'Teddy Bear! Teddy Bear!' from the Puffins in assembly this week. A very impressive performance from all the children and a particular well done to the Early Years children who did not seem at all phased by their debut performance.

PARENTS MATHS WORKSHOPS – I am sure you are aware that the teaching of maths has changed dramatically over the years and the children are been taught calculation in a range of ways that may not be familiar to parents. With this in mind and with the excellent support we continue to have for completing home learning tasks including maths, Mrs Pallot has kindly agreed to provide 4 workshops over the next few weeks that will look at the way in which maths calculation is now being taught in schools and how you can further support your child at home. Please make a note of the following dates in your diary:

Wednesday, 14th October 5.30pm to 6.30pm - Addition from KS1 to KS2

Wednesday, 21st October 5.30pm to 6.30pm – Subtraction from KS1 to KS2

Wednesday, 18th November 5.30pm to 6.30pm – Multiplication from KS1 to KS2

Wednesday, 25th November 5.30pm to 6.30pm – Division from KS1 to KS2

READING RECORDS – A huge thank you to those of you who are supporting the reading at home. Reading records are being checked daily. We very much appreciate your support with this and the enthusiasm, for reading with those children who are being supported at home, is very clear as they move up the chart. If you are having difficulty getting your child to read at home, please pop in and speak with your child's class teacher as they can discuss any new strategies you can try that may help your children enjoy reading more.

PE KITS – It has been noticed that a small number of our older pupils do not always have their PE kits in school. This is part of the school uniform expectation. Please could we ask that all children have the appropriate PE kit and suitable footwear in school all week and every week. Thank you for your support with this. It is also important that appropriate footwear for any sports after school clubs are also worn for health and safety reasons.

SCHOOL SHOES – We still have a small minority of pupils not wearing appropriate school shoes. The expectation is that school uniform shoes should be a black shoe style. Thank you.

BEING ON TIME – As the term is now in full swing, it is pleasing to see that in most cases pupils are arriving on time. This is something that all schools continue to monitor closely. Thank you for your support with this. However, we do have a small number of children who are being dropped off at school very early and being picked up late. The school is also monitoring this very closely. Please could we remind you that the school is only responsible for your child from 8.45am until 3pm (KS1) and 3.15pm (KS2). If you are running later due to circumstance beyond your control, we ask that you inform the school office to enable us to get a message to your child's class teacher. If your child is attending an after school club, the adult in charge of the club is only expected to be responsible for your child until the club finishes. We ask for your support in picking your child up from school on time. Thank you.

Blue Jelly Images: We have been advised that the closing date for ordering photos is Monday 5th October. If you would like to purchase a photo please visit the website before midnight on Monday. http://www.bluejellyimages.com. If you have any questions that you would like to ask over the week-end Blue Jelly Images are very happy for you to phone them direct on 077 033 225 25. Thank you.

Recorder Books: Have now been collected from City Music, and Mrs Whomersley will hand them out to children next week.

Sports report from Finlay Hudson – Y6 Football

Perran-Ar-Worthal Vs St. Francis

We all played really well, Carlo was really good in goal. He did some amazing saves and the team played amazingly. We all put one hundred percent into this game and we just need to work on our passes a bit and then it will be fine. The score was 5-0 to St. Francis. Our team was Me, Stanley, Carlo, Zane, Ross, Mawgan, Jack W and Toby.

Sports report from Giselle Tyler-Scott – Y6 Netball

Perran-Ar-Worthal Vs King Charles

We were all so excited to get there, all singing in the minibus. As soon as we got there we jumped out of the bus with so much happiness, we reached the dome with so much energy then we did some really fun warm up activities with Tracy. After that it was time for our game. In the first half of the game it was 0-4 to King Charles and in the second half we scored 2-2, it was a good game and we were all so proud of each othe, we all had such a great time. We loved the cheerleading that the footballers did for us; very inspiring!! The team was me, Millie, Zoe, Merryn, Leah, Violet, Alice and Ellie.

Little reminders:

- ** Reception and Year 6: Height and weights check Tuesday 6th October. Please return the green confirmation form if you haven't already done so. Thank you.
- ** Year 6 transferring to secondary school: The deadline for applications is 31st October 2015.
- ** Children starting school in September 2016: The deadline for applications is 15th January 2016

West Briton: The photograph of our new reception class children is in this week's edition of the West Briton.

Lunch Money: Please would parents remember that Mrs Reeves needs all lunch money to be in on a Monday morning (not daily throughout the week!). When money comes in daily it means that she needs to go to the bank after work each day – rather than once a week. Cheques made payable to Eden Foodservices please (you are welcome to pay for several weeks/months in advance if it is more convenient).

Congratulations to Chloe Saayman and Cara McCandles for passing the International Dance Teachers Association Beige Rosette Ballet Exam.

Interserve – School Cleaners Required (Truro to Falmouth area) for more info contact 0800 6344190

Note from Penryn College

Exam Invigilators, Readers and Scribes required at Penryn College

We are looking for people with a good standard of education, clear handwriting along with good verbal, oral and written communication skills who enjoy working with children to support candidates during exam periods.

You will be employed for variable hours on a casual basis during school hours (between 8.15am and 3.30pm). Our busiest times are November, March, May and June but there are often other times during the year when you may be called upon for controlled assessments.

Please visit www.penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk for an application form. For further information and completed application forms please email: www.penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk for an application forms please email: www.penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk for a please email: <a href="w

Closing date is Wednesday 13th October at 9.00 am.



Celebration Assembly: Ted Bailey, Megan Laval and Barney Dunnett all received a bronze certificate in assembly this morning for reaching 50 points. Well done to you all.