FRIDAY NEWSLETTER 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018



#### A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

If you see a rabbit laying



**PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL'S GOT TALENT!** – On Saturday the school held the annual Spring Concert in the Village Hall to a very appreciative audience. The concert was an opportunity to showcase all the PAW entries from the Cornwall Music Festival. Over the last few years the number of pupils taking part in this annual festival has risen considerably and Perran-ar-Worthal appeared in a wide range of categories throughout the week's programme. On Saturday, it was clear that the standard of performance from all pupils and the community choir was certainly something worth celebrating and to be very proud of. This year, to capture this incredible talent and high standard of performance, the Spring Concert had the added twist of being recorded on radio. As a result, we can all enjoy listening to the whole concert programme dispersed with interviews with the children and adults. If you would like to enjoy listening to the radio broadcast in the comfort of your own home then please see the details below.

Saturday's Spring Concert performance was recorded for broadcasting purposes by CHBN Radio (Community Hospital Broadcasting Network). CHBN goes out on 100.8 FM in the Truro area, and also live on the CHBN website. Google

'CHBN' and click 'Listen Live.' The broadcasters are aiming for this programme to be broadcast today, Thursday 29th March at 6.30pm and to be repeated on Easter Sunday at 4pm. You can also hear the programme again on 'Mixcloud'. Just search: 'Mark Crees'. A link to the radio broadcast will also be made available on the school website.

LIBRARIANS WITH A PURPOSE! – This week, our 4 keen librarians (seen below, demonstrating their thoughtful book



reading facial expressions!) have been busy promoting and running the scholastic book fayre and what an amazing job they have done. With over £383.12 in sales, they have earned £95.78 in free books for our school library. Well done and thank you to our amazing team of librarians and to Mrs Dunn for training and supporting the four Year 6

pupils in their very important role - something for our future Year 6 pupils to aspire to.





WONDERFUL COLOURS AND TEXTURES!

This term the children have been given the opportunity to test out their creative talents in so many different ways. Mrs Dunn has been thrilled with the work produced at the very popular art club she runs after school. This term, her Year 5 Art Club group have been working with acrylic paints to create wonderful

underwater scenes. Following a trip to Gwennap Pit, Miss Jess Fenton, our SCITT student, worked with the children in Year 4 to create some beautiful artwork based on the many circles that make up the unique Gwennap Pit design. As part of our Fab Friday rolling programme of workshops this term, Mrs Dunn has also



introduced our Year 6 pupils to batique artwork and below you can see the amazing result of their 5 weeks of using their batique skills.



**YEAR 6 PUBLIC SPEAKERS IMPRESS!** – This year, for the first time, Perran-ar-Worthal School entered two teams for the Public Speaking Class at the Cornwall Music Festival. The adjudicator was very impressed with both teams, awarding them high marks and first and second place. As we were not able to include the Public Speaking on the Spring Concert programme, it was decided that they perform their presentations to an invited audience this week. All KS2 pupils, Governors, parents and some special guests in the form of Mrs Lea and Mr Ian Halford were invited to listen to two very thought provoking presentations entitled 'When I Grow Up...' and 'Do Mobile Phones Ruin Friendships'. Both teams received much praise from the audience. Mr Halford, who is involved in the organisation and judging of the Rotary Club Youth Speaks, was invited to ask each team a question as part of the presentations structure. Following the presentations he shared how impressed he was with the confidence and clarity with which each team spoke. Mrs Lea was also very impressed and sent an email to share her thoughts: **Dear Mrs Heffer** 

I just wanted to say thank you for inviting me this afternoon.

It was such a delight to see the children perform so confidently. They were such a credit to the school & real ambassadors to the other KS2 children.

They were clearly in charge of what they were doing & very eloquent in putting their views across. Once again Perranarworthal children shine brightly. I so enjoyed seeing them all again.

Well done! Mrs Lea





**SEESAW APP!** - After the Easter Holiday, we are going to be starting to use an app on the iPads called SeeSaw which allows children to share work and photos of achievements (such as team point certificates) with family at home. When we return, a letter will be sent home with each pupil in years 1-6 with a unique QR code and instructions for how to access your child's portfolio. Photos will be shared in line with the permission you have already given regarding photos appearing on newsletters and on the school website. If a group photo is shared on SeeSaw, children will not be named individually following the same rules as the school website or



newsletter. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that you must not share photos of other children on social media without permission from their parents. Thank you.

**LET'S CELEBRATE OUR HOME LEARNING!** – We have been thrilled to see the children bringing their home learning challenges in to school to share. This term has seen colourful and creative hats, board games and much more. On Wednesday, we decided to ask all those children who had created an Easter Bonnet to parade in assembly wearing their wonderful creations for all to see. Below are also pictures showing a wonderfully creative board game designed and created by one of our children in Puffins and, inspired by their work on explorers in Robins, you can see the creation by one child of an amazing 4 tier three dimensional model showing the various levels of the world and beyond that have been explored through history – if you close your eyes you can almost imagine being there. We would like to say a big thank you to all parents for their continued support in helping us to provide an exciting and enjoyable learning experience for the children at Perran-ar-Worthal School.



**SOOOO....WHAT DO THE STAFF AND PUPILS GET UP TO ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM?** – It is quite clear from the pictures below that the pupils continue to work very hard and the staff...well...are in need of a break too!



# HAPPY EASTER HOLIDAY from all of us at Perran-ar-Worthal School.

**POLITE NOTICE:** Please could we request that parents needing to tie their dogs near the main entrance to the school at the end of the day use the opposite side of the entrance away from the main path as some younger pupils are a little afraid of passing the dogs when they walk out from school along the pavement. Many thanks for your support with this.

**Message from Mrs Edwards** – Dear Parents, if anyone would like a sturdy bird box for their garden, please pop into Kingfishers and speak to me. We have six that need homes. Thank you.

### TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS FROM THIS WEEK -

Bronze – Arthur Long
Silver - Rowan Leigh, Anna Matthews, Ted Bailey, Philippa Kneebone, Skyla Symons, Austin Mitchell, Isla McCandless, Opal Perkins, Zane Dingle and Eli Guimaraes
Gold – Lily Smallman, Nualla Farrell, Rafferty Pinnick, Rowan Macindoe, Rosie Lawrence, Joshua Anderson, Hazel Richards and Daisy Davies
Medal – Grace Macindoe and Eliza Nicholls

## FOPS UPDATE

Thank you to everyone that came to the Spring Concert at the weekend, it was a very well attended and it was lovely to hear and see the children perform alongside the adult choir. We raised just over £350; this money will go towards the cost of building an outdoor learning area/all weather shelter at the front of the school.

#### Important dates for your diaries are:

Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> April, non-uniform day collecting chocolate donations for .....

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> April, Chocy Bingo, 6.30pm-7.30pm, School Hall, £3 per adult, £1 per child, raffle tickets sold on the night.

**Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> June, Summer Fayre -** Any parents, family or friends that would like to run their own stall at the Fayre, please let myself, Rona, Susie or Miss Braddon know, £10 per table - planning already underway as such a busy event and we would like to give you plenty of notice.

Hope you all have a lovely Easter break, Sarah McConnell, FOPS Secretary