

## A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

This week our focus has been on 'GIVING':



**December 2<sup>nd</sup> is the CHRISTMAS FAYRE starting at 6pm** – It is now almost upon us and we are all looking forward to this very successful annual fund raising event. This year we have a record number of professional stalls from which you may wish to purchase those special gifts for someone. As a result of this, the hall and the Starlings classroom will be dedicated to stall holders and refreshments will be served in the school library. The Year 6 pupils will also be involved in running the child friendly stalls which will be based in the Swifts classroom along with the very popular Scholastic Book Fayre which always has a wonderful range of Christmas themed books perfect for stocking fillers. At **7pm** we look forward to hearing the children and adult choir join together in song for a mini Christmas concert to put everyone in the right mood. If you have attended in previous years, I am sure you will know how well received the singing of the choir is by all at the fayre. And of course the fayre would not be complete without our every own SANTA who will be based in a magical grotto next door to Mrs Read's office. Over the next few days, parts of the school will gradually be transformed ready for the big event. Can I remind all parents that the rota for help needed will be put on display outside the office on Monday morning for any willing helpers to sign up. The help is mainly for setting up (carrying tables and chairs into position) and running the refreshment stall. Packing away at the end is also very much appreciated. It would be great to see any of our newer parents getting involved with our FOPS team as this is a great way to make new friends and have fun through organising and running great fund raising events. If you have a flair for creative fund raising ideas or just want to get stuck in and help raise funds for your children, then please come and sign up or just muck in on the day. Many hands make light work! The meetings for FOPS happen regularly throughout the year and the dates for these meetings are promoted on the newsletters. Come along and get to know us. We don't bite and we always have cake/biscuits and a cuppa to help with the fund raising thought processes! We look forward to seeing you all at the fayre on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm! Please remember that during this event, the children are the responsibility of the adult bringing them. Many thanks.



## TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS THIS WEEK ARE:

BRONZE CERTIFICATE WINNERS – Kaia Warr, Beth Wootton, Jessica Rowe, Megan Laval, Oscar McConnell and Flo Archer-Cairns.

SILVER CERTIFICATE WINNERS – Tom Woodrow, Morley Neale, Rowan Macindoe, Philippa Kneebone and Susanna Spence.

GOLD CERTIFICATE WINNERS – Hazel Richards, Thomas Penna, Genevieve Pinnick

MEDAL – Eli Guimarães

Well done to you all.

**Free School meals** (not the same as KS1 free school meals!) Please see the information at the end of this newsletter or collect an application form from the main office reception area. Any parent of a child from Reception to Year 6 that is eligible and has their claim approved by County Hall, will be entitled to claim for other benefits including free school trips, clubs etc (at the moment the school is prepared to pay for clubs such as Go-Active on your behalf. There may also be other benefits available). Please speak with Mrs Read if you require any further information, or go online at [schoolmeals@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schoolmeals@cornwall.gov.uk) to check if you can claim.

## Application Form for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

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**Why not apply online?** You can apply online now at [www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals). Your application will be processed within 3 working days (normally the same day if submitted before 12noon), whereas paper applications may take up to 10 working days to process.

If you are in receipt of one or more of the benefits listed (see right) and you **do not** receive Working Tax Credits, please complete the application form below. If unsure, please contact the School Meals Team on 01872 323298 or email [schoolmeals@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schoolmeals@cornwall.gov.uk) - the team will be able to check your entitlement to claim.

**From September 2014, all Key Stage 1 children (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) are eligible to receive free school meals. However, if you are in receipt of one or more of the benefits listed (see right) and you do not receive Working Tax Credits, your child's school could benefit from Pupil Premium funding to support your child just by filling in this application form. For more information, please speak to your child's school.**

### Parent/Carer Details

Title	
Legal Forename & Middle Name(s)	
Legal Surname	
National Insurance Number	
Date of Birth	
Home Telephone Number	
Mobile Telephone Number	
Home Address	

#### Qualifying Benefits

- ✓ Income Support
- ✓ Income-Based Jobseeker's Allowance (not Contribution Based)
- ✓ Income-Related Employment & Support Allowance (not Contribution Based)
- ✓ Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income (as shown on your award letter from the Inland Revenue – TC602) of no more than £16,190.
- ✓ Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- ✓ Support via Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999 (IAA)

**Please note, if you are in receipt of Working Tax Credit, you do not qualify for Free School Meals, even if your annual income is below £16,190**

Please tick to confirm that your annual income is less than £16,190, that you are in receipt of at least one of the qualifying benefits (see above) and that you are **NQT** in receipt of Working Tax Credits.

### Child/Pupil Details

Legal Surname	Legal Forename(s)	Date of Birth	School Attending <small>Add start date if not yet attending the school specified.</small>	Home Address

### Declaration

Please tick the box to certify that the above information is correct and that you agree to inform the Free School Meals Service immediately of any changes to these details. You are also agreeing that the Benefits Agency can reveal computer-held information for verification purposes as and when the Council is required to check new or continued eligibility. Please also note your information will be stored electronically on password protected and access controlled computer systems, and will be used in accordance with the principles set out in the Data Protection Act (DPA) 1998 and Cornwall Council's Data Protection Policy, which can be viewed at [www.cornwall.gov.uk](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk).

Please return your completed form to School Meals Team, West 3, County Hall, Treyew Road, Truro, TR1 3AY

# FOPS UPDATE

**Christmas Fayre, Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 6-8pm** - Firstly a very big thank you for all of the lovely hamper donations that we received. Raffle tickets will be sent home today; to be returned to the school office by Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December. Any unsold tickets will be sold on the night.

If you have recently had a “pre-Christmas” house tidy-up and have any unwanted items at home that would be suitable for tombola prizes please leave them in reception. Thank you!

A rota for volunteers to help out on the night serving refreshments and possibly manning the tombola stall, will be on display in reception on Monday, thank you to those who have already volunteered.

There will be more stalls than last year, so plenty of opportunities for Christmas gift shopping, meet Santa in his spectacular grotto, enjoy a festive sing-along by the Christmas tree with the adult and children’s choir, with your ticket collect your mulled wine and mince pie, free squash for the children, lots of fun and games being organised by the Year 6 children, raffle draw and much more

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Tickets on sale at the school office and the Royal Oak, £3 per adult, to include entry, a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. There is no charge for children to enter, plus free squash!

Details of the wreath making and film choices for the **Film Night on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> December** to follow next week!

Enjoy your weekend and look forward to seeing you at the Fayre next Friday!  
Sarah McConnell, FOPS Secretary