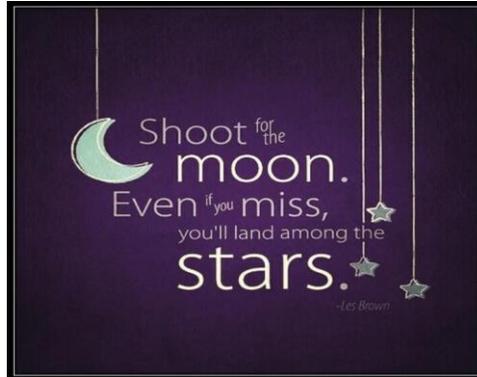


FRIDAY NEWSLETTER
9th February 2018



A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

This week's focus has been 'ASPIRATION'



DISCO DIVAS HIT THE DANCE FLOOR – DJ Bradley was 'in the house' on Friday evening, so it was the perfect opportunity to put on our glad rags and pull those fabulous shapes on the dance floor at the school disco. A huge turn-out at this very popular fund raiser event resulted in £264.83 being raised. A big thank you to FOPS for organising the event and to the staff who were able to be there to support FOPS. We now look forward to the next big event in the calendar....wait for it....THE PARENTS' DISCO...yes, indeed! If you are up for a fun evening of 70s, 80s and 90s music then find that fabulous outfit and come and boogie on down! We promise not to publish any photos of the evening on the newsletter so you are safe to wear what you dare on **Saturday, 24th February, 7.30pm onwards** at the school hall. £5 entry on the door. Bring a plate to share and your own refreshments. Enjoy!

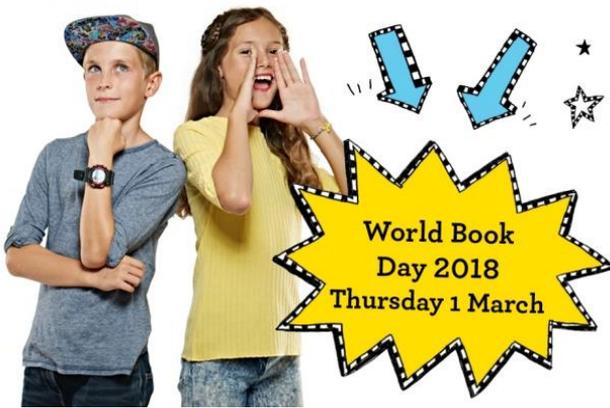


CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS – A wonderful achievement was gained through determination, resilience and aspiration at the cross country event in Falmouth on Friday. We owe a great deal of thanks to Mr Teasdale for leading the Cross Country sessions on Friday mornings which have inspired so many children to take this sport so seriously and go on to achieve great success. Warm coats and hats were needed to keep the runners warm but this did not deter them in any way. Even the adult supporters joined in with the team spirit of the day. Please see the report and pictures from Mr Teasdale below:

On Friday, 21 children from Perran-ar-Worthal entered a Cross Country event at the Chanel 4 Pitch in Falmouth. All children from years 4, 5 and 6 had to tackle a tough course that tested their endurance. With roughly 60 children entering each race, each one of the PAW children showed tremendous perseverance to finish in decent positions. Nine of the children finished in positions that have qualified them for the next round! Megan Laval, Arthur Long, Kaia Warr, Isla Cameron, Lola Guinchard, Noah Dunnnett, Rosie Lawrence, Sophie Woodrow and Isla McCandless have all qualified to go through. Considering the size of our brilliant school, I think that it is a remarkable achievement! A special thank you must be made to all of the parents who attended the event. Without those parents, the children would not have been able to attend. Mr Teasdale.



SAVE THE DATE



WORLD BOOK DAY is fast approaching! On **Thursday, 1st March** the children will be taking part in a range of book related activities to celebrate the joy of reading. The children will be asked to come into school dressed as a book character. So get your thinking caps on and find that favourite book character costume that you just love to wear...the teachers have already been rummaging through their costume cupboards trying to find that outfit that will bring their favourite book character come to life. Don't forget to **bring the book to school** that features the character you will come dressed up in as you will be sharing this with others on the day. Stuck for ideas....below are some pictures from last year's amazing world book day...you may be able to recognise some of them:





LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! – It may have been only for a short while and it didn't stay around for long but much fun and enjoyment was had at Perran-ar-Worthal School on Tuesday when the snow finally decided to pay Cornwall a visit. The delight of chasing and catching snowflakes was seen in the eyes of all ages - truly the awe and wonder of nature! See some pictures below....you will need to look fairly closely for the snowflakes but the children will tell you that they were definitely falling all around them. Warm coats, gloves and hats were worn by many, but not all, so please could we encourage all children to come to school with a warm coat for playtimes. We would not want them to be too cold to enjoy the outdoors. Thank you.



....and then on Wednesday it REALLY snowed! Cornwall, as usual, ground to a halt when the snow caused roads to become slippery and dangerous. But PAW School remained open for business with a number of parents, children and staff opting for a brisk walk to school instead. All staff and nearly all pupils were present and correct by 10.30am determined to continue with a day of learning. By lunchtime, most of the snow had vanished but an exciting start to the day added a little novelty to the week.



CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS BENNER!



We are thrilled to announce that following a busy week of shortlisting, interviews and lesson observations, for the permanent teaching position in Puffins, Mrs Benner, who has been with us on a temporary contract since September, is now officially a PERMANENT member of the Perran-ar-Worthal teaching staff and we are all delighted with the outcome. A big thank you and well done to the 8 pupils from Reception and Year 1 who were involved in the teaching activities during each of the three candidate's lesson observations. Their behaviour was exemplary!



LEARNING IS FUN! -

Yesterday, the Puffins and Robins presented their love of learning to parents, relatives and governors. Each child had written a personal invitation, several of which, were posted to individual people. The children were thrilled to receive many hand-written replies back, kindly accepting their invite. An impressive presentation was shared with a full hall, which included how to find fractions using giant jaffa cakes, how big is a polar bear, how to help save the planet and much more. Several fun and informative songs were performed with gusto.



The children were given the full responsibility of creating their own mini presentation within their groups, deciding on what to say and how to present their learning. An impressive show of confidence and love of learning! Well done to all involved and a big thank you to the KS1 staff for making learning so much fun!



THERE IS NEW FACE IN STARLINGS FOR THIS TERM – Jess Fenton is a Trainee Teacher in her 3rd year. Over the last few weeks she has spent time getting to know the school and the children and over the next few weeks, will be more involved in the teaching of some lessons in Starlings under the guidance of her mentor, Mr Teasdale. Miss Fenton is one of the many student teachers Perran-ar-Worthal School has been asked to support through the SCITT training scheme where every class can provide a great opportunity for student teachers to see excellent practice delivered by our very dedicated staff. We wish her all the best in her training and have no doubt she will enjoy working with the lovely children of Perran-ar-Worthal School.

Have a lovely half term!



FOOTPRINTS IN THE SNOW - Poem by Wayne Wickham

*As a child, my footprints were small,
Leaving tiny, soft prints in the snow.
Occasionally, they would be joined
By the larger prints of my parents,
And life went on.*

*As I got older, my footprints got larger,
Leaving heavier, deeper prints in the snow.
Occasionally, they would be joined
By the same size prints of my friends,
And life went on.*

*Recently, my footprints have stopped growing,
Leaving the same size prints in the snow.
They were slow, and all alone,
For there was no one to walk with,
And life went on.*

*Now, my footprints are alive,
Leaving light and easy prints in the snow.
They are often joined
By footprints of love and caring,
And life goes on.*

*Together, our footprints travel on,
Leaving prints, side by side, in the snow.
They are joined together
By love, friendship, and happiness,
And together, our lives go on.*

TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS FROM LAST WEEK –

Bronze – Rowan Leigh, Drew Wootton, Phoebe O’Neill, Maia Rowe, Jack Matthews, Teagan Yendle, Morley Neale, Edie King, Sapphire Bennett, Arthur Macindoe, Charlie Long, Noah Dunnett and Flo Archer Cairns

Silver - Miles Cameron, Noah Farrell, Holly Court, Casper Fitch-Roy, Flo O’Neill, Joshua Anderson, Myah Peters, Isla Cameron, Chloe Saayman, Dan Matthews, Flora Clark, Florence Dodge, Thomas Penna, Rosie Lawrence, Quilla Richards, Liberty Dingle, Rowan Macindoe, Jack Barker, Noah Butler, Cara McCandless, Eliza Nicholls and Grace Macindoe.

TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS FROM THIS WEEK –

Bronze – Oscar McConnell and George Bennett-Hughes

Silver – Barney Dunnet, Lily Smallman, Indah Williamson, Rafferty Pinnick, Harry Baker, Nuala Farrell, Kaia Warr and Sophie Woodrow

Gold – Noah Rawlings

RAK CLUB NOMINATIONS –

Mrs McCandless has nominated the teachers at the DISCO for giving up their time to support this event. Mrs Matthews would like to nominate Mo Sterry for helping Anna Matthews in the playground when she fell over. Thank for your kindness!

PARENT PAY! – Please be aware that you will need to activate your accounts over the half term in preparation for the change-over to ordering and paying for school lunches online after half term. If your child is in KS1, please be aware that you will still need to order a lunch for your child online even though it does not need to be paid for. Please speak with Miss Braddon in the office if you have any queries. Thank you.

FOPS UPDATE

Just a reminder for you of future events taking place after half term;

School Disco, Saturday, 24th February, 7.30pm, School Hall - Adults only, £5 per adult to be paid on the night. Come and join us for a fun evening that will take you back to your school days, dance the night away to your favourite songs. Themed fancy dress; choose your decade from either the **70's, 80's or 90's** (optional).

BYO liquid refreshments and a **plate of food** for a shared buffet. Come along and share a fun evening with friends and also help to raise funds for the children.

Spring Concert, Saturday, 24th March, Village Hall 4pm-6pm

Non-Uniform Day, Thursday, 19th April

Choccy Bingo, Friday 20th April



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