



## **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

### **28th June 2012**

#### **Message from Mr P Gilbert, Deputy Headteacher**

This week has seen yet more regional and national success for our students. We are delighted to offer so many varied and exciting opportunities and we are equally thrilled that our young people jump at the chance to get involved.

This week saw our anti doping national champions visiting London and the official anti doping laboratories in Harlow as reward for their winning of the National Get Set Olympic Competition.

Our Green Power Car Team went to Exeter and gained one of the ten South West places, going forward to the national finals of The Big Bang Science and Engineering Competition.

Our DT Department and students won significant prizes in the Designed In Cornwall Exhibition hosted at Tremough Campus.

Alongside the above, Maths visited The Hidden Valley Centre and the GCSE catering students enjoyed a project which involved them working with the Army and emergency rations!

As we move towards Curriculum Enrichment and Work Experience Weeks I would just like to thank parents for their involvement and form filling! These experiences are highlights of our year and I should also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for the planning and oversight of these activities, which require considerable extra commitment and time. Please ensure that your child conforms to expectations and requirements as set down by the staff.

Lastly it is with real disappointment that we have had to change our arrangements regarding Sports Day. The weather has been so bad that the fields are not in a fit state to take spectators and as a result events are taking place as and when conditions allow.

Mr P Gilbert, Deputy Headteacher



#### **Important Dates for your Diary**

##### **MONDAY 2nd JULY**

Uganda Trip Departs

##### **MONDAY 2nd JULY**

Tremough Journalism Visit for Y10

##### **MONDAY 2nd JULY**

Arts Award Moderation Day.

##### **MONDAY 2nd JULY**

Sports Day Events for Years 7&8

##### **TUESDAY 3rd JULY /**

##### **WEDNESDAY 4th JULY**

Year 6 Induction Days

##### **WEDNESDAY 4th JULY**

Year 10 Cornwall College Taster Day.

##### **THURSDAY 5th JULY**

Year 6 Parents Information Evening

##### **FRIDAY 6th JULY—FRIDAY 13th JULY**

Year 9 Camp!

##### **FRIDAY 6th JULY**

Ardeche Trip Departs

##### **MONDAY 9th JULY**

Year 10 Work Experience Week

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### **RLS Turn Rations into a Feast with the Army**

Year 10 catering students took part in a catering workshop ran by Army officers Lance Corporal Nicky Catlin and Corporal Jamie Lunn.

The students were given a presentation about the role of a chef in the Army and were then given the challenge of creating interesting dishes from a TEN MAN RATION PACK. In 45 minutes the students turned the rations of various items including dried egg, flour, chocolate pudding, tinned margarine and tinned cheese into dishes such as toad in the hole, garlic bread, risotto, fritters and meatballs. The students were then asked to give a presentation of their dishes and to explain how they had made them from the items available.

The students thoroughly enjoyed the activity and their final dishes. The officers were impressed with how quickly the students focused on the challenge and with the results they produced.

*Ms J Ancell, DT Food*

### **Science meets Sport for the 2012 Olympics**

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week saw our year 8 team go to London to collect their prize for winning the 'Scientists in Sport' competition, organised by Get Set and GlaxoSmithKline (GSK).

Megan Wilson- Newbury, Rosie Buttle, Euan Wilkinson, Calum Moore, Jessica Wright and Lucas Edwards visited the Science Museum to redeem their £25 vouchers and were treated by GSK to a West End show. 'The Wizard of Oz' was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The highlight of the trip, though, was a VIP tour of the anti-doping labs at Harlow, which have been specially set up for the London 2012 Olympics. Professor David Cowan, head of the labs, conducted the tour, taking time away from his very busy schedule to explain how

his team will ensure that this will be the fairest games ever. Security was very strict- these are the only students that will be allowed to visit the labs- but they were shown all the latest hi-tech instruments used to detect drugs in samples taken from athletes and how the team of scientists ensure that no mistake is made in tracking samples and test results. The Richard Lander students were filmed on the tour by *BBC Newsround* reporters and we expect to see them on TV soon. Watch this space!

Photo shows our winning year 8 team with Miss Steen, Ms Rea, Mr Bond and Left -Kate Walsh the captain of the Great Britain Olympic hockey team, 2<sup>nd</sup> from Right- Professor David Cowan

*Ms J Rea—Science Teacher*





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### Divided Represent Cornwall at South West's Best Young Enterprise Company 2012

On Monday 25th June "Divided" travelled up to Bristol University to compete for the 'South West's Best Young Enterprise Company 2012' accompanied by their Link Teacher Mrs J Griffiths and their Business Adviser, Ms Ruth Grant. At age 15, the Richard Lander students were by far the youngest in the final and had juggled running the company with GCSE studies, so were somewhat underdogs, but went into the competition determined and confident that they could win the title and the place in the UK

National Final, which will be held in London in July.

All 7 teams started the event by setting up trade stands, and then were interviewed at their stands by the judges. The rules clearly stated that the students had to do this without any adult help, so their teachers and business advisers had to leave the room. Divided coped with this challenge admirably, remaining polite, committed to their product and professional at all times. Their stature far surpassed their years and they looked every bit the business people.

At 5:00, the invited guests and sponsors arrived and were shown the stands. During this part of the competition the Divided stand was particularly busy and abuzz with excitement to the extent that the professional photographer had to return three times to get his publicity

shot.

At 5:30 the presentations commenced. Divided stood at the front of the Wills Memorial Hall, a prestigious venue and one of the last gothic buildings built in England, and presented to an audience of over 300 people. They talked of their business achievements, and their understanding of why the company had performed as it did. Divided have invented a unique popcorn packaging – Flavour Box - which allows a consumer to have 4 different snacks in one packet. They have secured advertising from 6 different companies to fund a test run which will take place at Newquay Cinema in the near future. They have also filmed a highly professional advert featuring fellow students which was shown to the audience.

Unfortunately, Divided did not win any awards although they were second in the Innovation and Enterprise category and a finalist in the Media Award category. Although they return to Cornwall empty handed the team are not too downhearted and have certainly not been put off pursuing careers in business in any way.

The Overall Best Company Trophy went to Vitamin Boom for their Froo-Tea product containing Baobab.





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### News from the ARB

The students from the ARB harvested their first crop of 'school grown' produce this season. Two of the students picked some onions and garlic and were delighted to finally see the results of their hard work.

The students have regular gardening lessons and have planted a variety of fruit, vegetables and flowers. Some have been planted from seed, enabling the students to recognise and implement all factors necessary for successful growth. The students had the opportunity to take onions home with them. They are eagerly awaiting the next harvest, where the students will be able to pick the crops and cook with them, allowing them to eat the produce within an hour of it being picked.

### Diamond Jubilee Art Workshop at Richard Lander

Following our great success at the Royal Cornwall Show, the touring, Diamond Jubilee Exhibition made its way to Richard Lander

School. This exhibition includes the selected, winning entries from a small number of schools in Cornwall and we are proud to see so many of them are from Richard Lander School.

Students have been enjoying the exhibition and spending time reading the winning poems and making personal judgements about the Art work.



Ms S Body - Head of Art



### A Report from Shares4Schools for National "Your Money" Week.

During the year, two groups of Gifted and Talented students have spent one afternoon registration per week monitoring an investment of £1,500 in the Shares4schools competition. This is a national competition where students get to see how Maths is applied in the environment of the Stock Exchange.

The year 9 students invested their money in companies from the FTSE 100, FTSE 250 or AIM and then each week had to use analytical techniques to monitor their portfolio. At the end of the competition, once the transaction fees charged during the year were returned, they ended with an overall profit of £81.

Year 11 also have an investment account which they have monitored during the year. For a fuller report please visit the school website.



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#### **Celebration of Achievement - Truro Cathedral - Monday 18th June**

On Monday 18th June Richard Lander School held its annual Celebration of Achievement in Truro Cathedral.

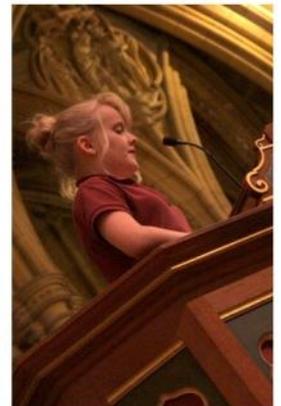
An audience of family and friends of the award winners were treated to performances by 3 of the school choirs. Palestrina Choir started the evening's entertainment singing Westlife's "You Raise Me Up, Taverner

Choir performed a fantastic version of Lady Gaga's "Poker Face" and Changing Voices, fresh from their County Music Festival success, sang the Prisoners Chorus from Beethoven's "Fidelio."

Over 350 students received awards, which were presented by Kim Bishop, Senior School Improvement Officer for Special

Educational Needs who also made a speech, which invited the audience to follow a turtle's example and occasionally "stick your neck out!"

The evening ended with a packed cathedral joining the students in a rousing rendition of Trelawney as is traditional at Richard Lander events.





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#### **RLS SPORTS REPORT**



#### **Girls Athletics Report Summer 2012**

##### **Track and Field Cup.**

This competition sees a squad of 12 athletes take part in 2 events each (normally one track and one field) accumulating points for their team. In the past we have done very well and this year was no exception. The Inter Girls (years 9 and 10) scored 299 points, which placed them second to Truro School by a mere 2 points and the Junior Girls (years 7 and 8) a very creditable 265, also placing them second behind Truro School.

Both of our teams qualified for the regional B final at Exeter Arena on 18<sup>th</sup> June and faced tough opposition from schools spreading from Cornwall to Wiltshire. Every one of our girls performed extremely well and several achieved personal bests. Special mention must go to Georgia Doyle Lay who was the top female performer on the day from all year groups and all schools – well done! Our Inter Girls achieved an overall joint third place and increased their

score to 308 points and our Junior Girls were 6<sup>th</sup> place, increasing their score to 275 points. It was a long but enjoyable day and we would like to thank all the girls for their efforts and superb behaviour.

##### **Year 7 and 8 County Schools Championship.**

Last year this competition was rained off; thankfully this year the sun shone on our students and both teams were able to perform to a high standard. The year 7 girls are still learning many of the new and very technical field events, but that didn't stop Hannah Smith from achieving first place in the Long Jump (3.94m). Other highlights included Eloise Rapsey speeding her way to second place in the 200m (30.7secs) and the ever reliable Maya Groves coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 1500m (5m54.6s). The day was completed with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the relay. Indeed, a fine team performance from all of the squad, resulted in the girls achieving an overall 2<sup>nd</sup> place from a cohort of 20 schools – well done.

The year 8 squad was a little more experienced and many had competed in the Track and Field Regional B Final the day before. All 9 squad members came in the top 10 of their respective events thereby scoring points for the team. Fran Jenkins came third in the Javelin (17.82m), Meg Irwin third in the Discus (15.94m), the relay quartet came second, but the

outstanding performer was once again Georgia Doyle Lay with first in the 200m (27.8s) and a record breaking winning leap in the Long Jump of 4.72m). The girls deservedly were the overall winners – very well done!

##### **Cornwall School Games.**

To cap a very successful week for Richard Lander, we sent 3 teams of 8 athletes (4 boys and 4 girls) to compete in this annual event, whereby all competitors take part in one field and one track event accumulating points for their team. Several year 8 and 9 girls had to move up an age group due to the unavailability of the year 10 students and our county athletes being rested, but they took this in their stride! Overall, the year 7 squad were second, the year 8/9 squad were first and the 10/11 squad were also first. Under the circumstances, this really was an amazing achievement and highlights our strength in depth in athletics. Students who were placed in their events were: Year 7 - Hannah Smith third in both the Shot Putt and 100m, Eloise Rapsey first 200m. Year 9 – Georgia Cotterill third Shot Putt, Hannah Luscombe first 300m, Lennon Lewis third Javelin and first 100m and Kim Love second 1500m and first Long Jump. Once again, well done and congratulations to all concerned; a real team effort.

*Miss D Cain (PE Teacher)*

**BOYS REPORT NEXT WEEK!**



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### Richard Lander Notice Board

#### Paris 2013 – Payment Dates

Please make all payments by Parentpay. A link to Parentpay can be found on the school website. An account will have been set up for you if your child is going..

You need to pay:  
£100 paid as deposit  
– now overdue if not yet paid  
£100 by 6th July  
£100 by 5th October  
£100 by 7th December  
£44 by 25<sup>th</sup> January 2013

You may, of course, make payments at

any other times. We are unable to take students on trips who have not paid in full. If you are having problems meeting these deadlines please contact the school's Business Manager, Mrs Bond.

Thankyou!  
Mrs J Parker

**Congratulations** to the following Young College students. You were students of the week!

**Travis Barrett**  
**Joe Richardson /**  
**Elizabeth Beckett**  
**Joe Eley**

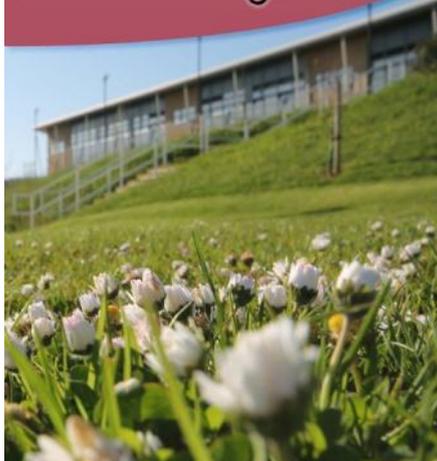
Miss K Elliott

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Community News



#### This Term's Community News can be found on the school website

Please follow the link from Headline Features on the home page. Can you spot your child in any of the photographs?



#### Lander2uganda 2012 Blog Now Available to View!

With only days to go until 19 RLS students embark on a trip of a lifetime to Uganda, Africa, we thought we would let you know a little more about their trip! The trip to Uganda will give students the chance

to experience African culture first hand for nearly three weeks, giving students the opportunity to engage in education and community based projects.

The Lander 2 Uganda 2012 group will be mainly based with our sister school, which is in the town of Bukomansimbi. The school is made up of primary and secondary sections which are located together on a beautiful hillside overlooking the town. Most of the children who attend these schools are orphaned, having lost one or both of their parents. Many of them subsequently live on site and are cared for by staff at the school. The trip will give our students the chance to live in community with these children and to share something of their experience.

This year parents and students will be able to follow the students' adventures by viewing the lander2uganda2012 blog. There is a link to this from Headline Features: Home Page at [www.richardlander.co.uk](http://www.richardlander.co.uk)



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### Community Notice Board



We are Curves, a ladies gym in Truro we have members who are parents and relatives of children at schools in Truro. Understanding the

present climate, the need to stay healthy and the amount of school holidays, we are running a trial scheme where ladies can bring in

this school newsletter and get a gym membership for only £20 a month if they come at the following times:  
Weekdays:  
9-10am, 2-3.30pm, 6-7pm  
Saturday: 9-11am

Curves is a 30 min circuit which we run 3x a week. We also have Zumba circuits at no extra cost. Students from 14yrs can join at the same price. Bring this newsletter to Curves to take us up on the offer!



**HEADS OR TAILS?**

**Thursday 28, Friday 29 & Saturday 30 June 2012, 7pm**

*"Expect to see some of these lads among the ranks of our elder statesmen of theatre - Kneehigh and, it really wouldn't surprise me, the Royal Shakespeare Company."*  
Lee Trehwala, West Briton, June 2011



Redannick Theatre, Redannick Lane, Truro TR1 2JP  
Tickets: £6 / £20 family ticket.  
Booking advisable on 01872 554087 or through the website [www.thedramaboys.co.uk](http://www.thedramaboys.co.uk)

**Patrons:**  
Samantha Bond (GLC, National, Devonian Actor, Award Winner, non-Communist)  
Tim McInerney (Spooks, Dr Who, Captain Jack and Jack Harkness, non-Alia-assidee)  
Terevive Stamp (Department The Admirals of Frigate Queen of the Desert, The Limay)

thanks to Distasteful Drinking Services and others groups



**ADHD SUPPORT GROUP**

Do you find your Child's?  
Behaviour difficult to manage?  
Would some friendly  
Support and advice be helpful?

If you would like to be able to talk in confidence and meet other parents experiencing similar challenges, then do come along.  
Your child does not need to have a diagnosis  
Or statement for you to attend this group  
Want more help with behaviour?  
Worried about ADHD?  
We are here to help and support you!!  
**FREE**  
Drop-in Support Group for all Parents/Carers  
Get up to Date Information  
And Much Much More  
All Welcome  
10:00am - 12:00pm  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2012  
Malabar Childrens Centre  
Albany Road,  
Truro,  
TR1 3PQ

**For this session only we have:  
Dr. Elizabeth Myers and Dr. Marianne Groen  
A talk on ADHD  
A chance to ask questions**

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