

RICHARD LANDER SCHOOL BULLETIN 13TH SEPTEMBER 2019

WELCOME BACK!

Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome back to a new academic year and a special welcome to our Year 7 students who have joined us this week. I hope the first week at a new school has gone very well indeed.

If any parent has a concern about the new academic year, please do get in touch with your child's tutor in the first instance who will make contact with you. Some issues may be addressed by your child's Pastoral Managers who are:

Year 7: Mr Matthews

Year 8: Mr Tonkin

Year 9: Mr Twelves

Year 10: Mrs Humphries

Year 11: Mrs Anderson

Please do ensure that your child starts the year with good habits: attending school regularly and with full equipment and uniform.

We welcome several new staff to our team this year, notably Mr Jason Webb, Assistant Headteacher who will line manage the work of students in Key Stage 4. He will become an important figure for both Years 10 & 11 and will support the Pastoral Managers for these year groups in their role.

By way of bringing parents / carers up to speed on recent successes in the school:

- Well done to all students who went on the Uganda trip and who returned to Cornwall in the summer holidays. The had an excellent time and the £38,5000 they raised will be spent on projects to improve the lives of so many Ugandan children
- 2. Congratulations to Matthew Upton in Mr Webb's Tutor Group in Godrevy. Over the summer, Matthew participated in a tennis tournament at Wimbledon. Matthew won all three singles matches in his pool and one in the main draw, getting to the last 16 of the tournament. Matthew is currently ranked 12th in the country. A terrific achievement well done Matthew.
- 3. Well done also to Izzy Sivam, ably supported by her brother William. Over the course of the summer months, Izzy has been baking cakes and has had a cake and sweet stall at the end of her garden, which is on the Bissoe trail. People passing by can take some food and drop some money into the honesty box there. Since the start of the summer, Izzy has raised £4,500 doing this all of which will go towards the school's Uganda appeal. An amazing achievement well done Izzy!

And finally, we welcome our new student leadership team including Head Boy and Head Girl: Sam Williams and Ruby Drake. We are sure they will serve the school with dignity and pride this year.

Very best wishes,

Steve Mulcahy Headteacher



Dates for your diary

FOR ALL SCHOOL SPORTS FIXTURES PLEASE SEE THE BACK **PAGES**

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 11th: 18:00 - 19:00 **Barcelona Tour - Parent Meeting** Thursday 12th: 18:00—19:30 **Year 7 Parent Induction Evening** Thursday 19th: 19:00-20:30 **Sports Presentation Evening**

Tuesday 24th

Immunisation Day—Year 8 Boys and Girls & Year 9 Girls. (HPV vaccination)

Tuesday 24th 18:00-19:00

Work Experience Information

Evening

Thursday 26th

Year 10 GCSE Art and Photography trip to the Tate and Barbara **Hepworth Garden and Geevor** Mine.

Thursday 26th: 18:00-19:30 Year 11 Revision—Parent Information Evening

Friday 27th

Key Stage 1 Multi Skills Festival with **RLS Sports Leaders**

OCTOBER

Thursday 3rd: 17:00-20:00 Year 5/6 Open Evening Friday 4th - Monday 7th **DofE Expedition** Friday 4th

Year 3/4 Bisi Badminton Qualifier with RLS Sports Leaders Thursday 10th: 18:00-19:30

Year 7 English & Maths Information

Friday 11th

North Cornwall Book Festival English Trip

Saturday 12th—Friday 18th **Year 8 Spanish Tour to Barcelona** Monday 14th

Year 6 Transition Music Event

Thursday 17th

Year 5/6 Bisi Badminton Qualifier with RLS Sports Leaders

Thursday 17th: 18:00-19:30 Year 7 Cheese and Wine

Monday 21st - Friday 25th Half Term Break

Monday 28th October—Friday 15th November

Year 11 Pre Public Exams 1 **Tuesday 29th October / Wednesday** 30th October

Student Environment Conference at Exeter University, Falmouth.

NOVEMBER

Monday 4th: 18:30-20:30 Pearl of Africa Children's Choir Concert

Thursday 7th

Year 10 English and Maths **Information Evening** Wednesday 20th City of Lights, Truro **Thursday 21st Year 12 Presentation Evening** **Thursday 28th**

Creative Arts trip to London

Friday 29th

INSET—No Students in School

DECEMBER

Wednesday 4th/Thursday 5th **Student Christmas Lunch**

Thursday 5th

Cathedral Carol Concert rehearsal—

School Hall

Friday 6th

Year 3/4 Feetbeat Dance Festival With RLS Sports Leaders

Year 11 - Pre-Public Exams 1:

Results Day Tuesday 10th

School Carol Service at Truro

Cathedral

Tuesday 17th

Informal Carol Service at Richard

Lander School Wednesday 18th

Governors Meeting— FGB

Friday 20th

LAST DAY OF TERM

Monday 23rd December—Friday 3rd January 2020 **CHRISTMAS BREAK**

2020

JANUARY Monday 6th

FIRST DAY OF TERM

Wednesday 8th

Year 11: Meet the Examiner

Thursday 9th

Year 9 Options Evening



Richard Lander School

Year 6 Open Evening Thursday 3rd October 5pm-8pm

We invite you to tour the wonderful facilities available at our school, to meet our students and staff and enjoy exciting activities to get a flavour of the richness of education at Richard Lander School.

Richard Lander School, Truro

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GCSE Results Day: Class of 2019 Celebrate Excellent Results!

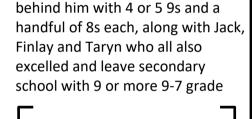
hursday 22nd August saw our class of 2019 collect their GCSE Results. Particular highlights for this year's results are:

- 83% of students gained 5 or more GCSE passes (equivalent to the old A*-C)
- Over a fifth of students gained 5 or more grades 9-7 (equivalent to the old A/A*)
- 19 students gained 9 or more9-7 grades
- 73% of students gained a pass in both English and Maths

Our highest achiever, Amelie Harris -Lovett, was awarded 11 GCSE or equivalents including 9 qualifications at the highest grades possible, Jenna Dymond achieved 5 9s, 1 D*, 2 8s and a 7 and Katie Edwards gained 6 9s, 2 8s and a 7! Amber, Summer, Lucy, Emily and Matilda also did outstandingly well.



Ben Evans walked away with 10 excellent GCSE which included 6 at grade 9 & 2 at grade 8, with Robin Howard, George Wiltshire, Max Hudson & Pat Van Hoorn not far





'We are delighted with our GCSE results for 2019. This is the result of 5 years' hard work by students, supported by a wonderful staff team who always go the extra mile to support.

On behalf of staff and governors at Richard Lander School, may I congratulate our students on achieving such good grades. Students should look forward with real confidence to college or work which lie ahead. We wish them all the very best success and happiness for the future.

Steve Mulcahy, Headteacher.





GCSE to their names (equivalent to the old A/A* grade).

Many other students were delighted with the results they received and saw the fruits of their hard work open the necessary doors to their future plans. Most students are really looking forward to starting work on their A level courses or chosen career paths at Truro or Cornwall College next month.

We look forward to welcoming the class of 2019 back to school for Year 12 Presentation Evening on Thursday 21st November at 7pm.

















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ARTS MARK PLATINUM AWARD!

e are absolutely delighted to have been awarded Artsmark Platinum! Our Creative Arts team work very, very hard to inspire students and this is so well deserved. Thank you to Truro College for all of your help and support too.

The Platinum award is very prestigious and this is why Artsmark decided we deserved it ..

'Staff at Richard Lander School are passionate, longserving advocates for the Arts. The school works steadfastly with students, external professionals and arts organisations so that a range of cultural experiences are rooted in a whole school arts pedagogy. As a result of strong, ambitious leadership at all levels, with support from governors, the school has seen an increased uptake of arts subjects in the upper key stage. The school details an extensive, high quality arts curriculum for students, with dance, art, drama, music, photography and textiles offered at G.C.S.E.; a plethora of enrichment activities; and a strong programme of visits to arts and cultural providers, such as Tate St. Ives, The Hepworth Museum and Falmouth Art Gallery. They



demonstrate in their Case Study how ongoing development of that offer has enabled them to lead advocacy in their local area, for example, supporting a special school to develop their arts practice. Investment in new arts resources, such as a photography darkroom, has further increased existing high standards of achievements in all arts subjects. Crosscurricular projects, such as the 'Habitats of the World' collaboration between the geography and art departments which was short-listed for exhibition at the Natural History Museum, have inspired and motivated students and staff alike. A positive relationship with the performing arts department at Truro College, facilitated by an ex-student, is providing students with opportunities to explore different backstage production roles...'











Landers Got Talent: The Final and Summer Fun in the Sun!

t seems like a millennia ago, but we never formally congratulated the winners of this year's Landers Got Talent...

WE had a wealth of amazing acts who entertained us with comedy music and dance during the LGT semi-finals and finals last term.

The 'Summer Fun in the Sun' final saw Amy, Betty, Charlotte, Brandon and Izzy performing solo, with Acoustic Wonder, Maya, Molly & Kaitlyn, Minority and Seidon, performing as bands and Bananarama providing an eclectic mix of comedy, dance and song. (and bananas)

They were watched by over 1000























students and staff, supported by an able back stage and sound engineering crew and it's fair to say that they impressed us beyond our high expectations!

A Moodle vote followed to decide on the Landers got Talent 2019 champion. ...

The winner was **Minority**, a rock band from Year 11 (Y10 at the time) with singer, **Betty Hartgill**, in second place. Our fruity friends, **Bananarama**, aka Hettie Sollis and Joe England, came third.

A huge well done and thank you to all of these students for entertaining us so well and making this summer's term really special!

#landersgottalent







RLS ENVIRONMENT ACTION GROUP

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

DO YOU WANT TO BE PART OF A FOCUS GROUP OF STAFF AND STUDENTS DEDICATED TO IMPROVING OUR SCHOOL'S CARBON FOOTPRINT?

HOW COULD WE AT RLS WORK TOWARDS CORNWALLCOUNCIL'S COMMITMENT TO BE CARBON NEUTRAL BY 2030?



CLIMATEEMERGENCY @RICHARDLANDER. CORNWALL.SCH.UK



Welcome back from the Music Department!

Richard Lander School boasts a wide range of musical ensembles; five different vocal groups and choirs; a range of instrumental ensembles including numerous student-led rock bands, orchestra, jazz band, brass band group, recorder ensemble and string ensemble; and world music groups.

Students who participate in these clubs have the opportunity to

perform not just at school but at other venues including The Hall for Cornwall, Truro Cathedral and The Cornwall Music Festival to name a few.

These clubs are only successful because of the dedicated students who give up their lunchtimes to attend the practices. There is participation from a range of students, including students who enjoy music simply because it is great fun! Some students receive either vocal or instrumental lessons, in or outside of school, but it is not mandatory for your child

to learn an instrument to join in any of the Music ECAs. All clubs are open to students in any year group, apart from Year 7 choir, which is for Year 7 students only.

Please note that if your child is currently receiving Free School Meals, if one of their guardians is currently in the armed forces, or is currently in care, they are eligible for a £5 discount on music lessons.

If you have any other questions please email me directly at: sjones@richardlanderschool.cornwall.sch.uk

		Where?	Who?
Monday	Senior Choir (Y8-11) @1.20pm	Room 126	Miss Jones
	Y7 Choir @ 1.20pm	Room 127	Miss Foxon
	Selected Voices @ PM registration	Room 126	Miss Jones
	Boys Choir @ PM registration	Room 127	Miss Foxon
Tuesday	Brass Ensemble @ 1.20pm	Room 127	Mr Greaves
	Recorder Ensemble @ Break time	Dance Studio	Mrs Whomersley
	Theory Club @ 1.20pm	Room 126	Miss Jones
	KS4 Catch up @ 1.20pm	Room 126	Self Study
Wednesday	Orchestra @ 1.20pm	Room 126	Miss Jones/
			Mrs Steer
	KS4 catch up @ 3.30pm	Room 126	Mr Gibbons, Miss
			Foxon, Miss Jones
Thursday	Jazz Band @ 1.20pm	Room 126	Mr Gibbons
	String Ensemble @ 1.20pm	Room 127	Miss Foxon
Friday	Samba Band @ 1.20pm	Room 126	Mr Gibbons





THE PEARL OF AFRICA CHILDREN'S CHOIR UK TOUR



Your local concert:

RICHARD LANDER SCHOOL **MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER 18:30**











Tel: 01444 226 355 Email: poacctour@pearlofafrica.org.uk



Welcome to our new Year 7 Students and all Parent/Carers..

We at Richard Lander School have the safeguarding and protection of students as a key priority within the school. All staff receive regular training with regards to child protection and safeguarding; this enables us to deal sensitively, supportively and appropriately with matters should they arise.

Should students and parents have any concerns our Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Kerry Towers and Designated Deputy Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Yvonne Rippon can be contacted through the main school number 01872 273750.

The Safeguarding Team will keep you updated with the latest information via the bulletin and school assemblies



SAFEGUARDING EVERYBODY EVERYDAY

If you're concerned speak to the
Designated Safeguarding Lead and Lead
for Children in Care, Mrs K Towers, or
the Deputy Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Y
Rippon, straight away



Mrs K. Towers
Safeguarding
Lead



Mrs Y. Rippon
Deputy
Safeguarding
Lead Ext—305

Year 10 Work Experience: Monday 13th July—Friday 17th July 2020.

As you may be aware, we expect as part of the Personal Development curriculum, all students in Year 10 to participate in a Work Experience programme. Students going to Uganda are not required to participate, however if they would like to, then their placement would have to be outside of term time.

Confirmation of placements will need to be in by 22nd May 2020, due to health & safety and risk assessment requirements. Students in their personal development lessons are starting to get prepared with guidance and where necessary support in finding suitable placements.

In order for you to find out more about the nature of Work Experience and to give you an opportunity to ask any questions, we are holding a meeting on Tuesday 24th September from 6.00pm – 7.00pm.

A representative from Education and Business Partnership, who supports the school with work experience, will give a short presentation that you should find both interesting and informative.

We look forward to seeing, as many parents as possible attending this informative evening. Please could you confirm attendance on the slip at the bottom of the letter your child has been given and return it to school as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Nikki Grenfell, SEND, Work Experience & Careers Admin





Try swapping sugary, carbonated drinks for water. Also, why not try excluding caffeine from your diet after 12pm to help sleep?

Mr Bridger

SPORTS REPORT

Well done to the 55 girls who represented RLS in the first netball fixture of the year against Pool School. All teams won and played with determination and sportsmanship....what a great start!

Results:

Year 7: 20 – 3 Year 8: 30 – 1 Year 9: 36 – 4 Year 10: 21 – 9 Year 11: 37 – 7

Miss Cain

What parents need to do to prepare for Brexit...

If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss Citizen you may need to apply to the EU settlement Scheme to continue to live in the UK after 2020. To check if you need to apply and to find out more about applying please follow https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eucitizens-families

If your child has signed up for one of our European trips which is taking place after the expected leaving date of 31st October 2019 it is advisable that travellers have at least 6 months (from the date of their planned return to the UK) validity left on their passport. Please can you ensure that your child's passport is renewed prior to them travelling, if this maybe applicable to them, to avoid problems in travelling for the group.

Richard Lander Young Carers.

Drop in for information, support or just a chat.

We can support you when things are difficult. Advice in school, helping with YC issues or putting you in touch with Kernow Young Carers - 01872 321486 for further support. kernowyoungcarers@actionforchildren.org.uk

Every Friday PM Tutor in the Library Mezzanine and monthly meet up with Kernow Young Carers.

Ask your Tutor or speak to Mrs Tregunna in the LRSC/Library









WELL DONE MATTHEW!

Well done to Matthew Upton, who competed in the Wimbledon National 14 & Under Challenge Finals this summer!

After triumphing at the previous County Finals, Matthew took to Wimbledon's famous grass courts looking to be crowned national champion.

And while unable to better twotime Wimbledon champion Andy Murray in getting his hands on a title at SW19, this has only fuelled his desire to come back to the iconic venue again to play one day. "It's really nice to play on the Wimbledon courts and get the experience," Matthew said.

"This whole event will be something I remember forever. I'd love to become and pro and come back here too.

"Winning at Wimbledon is lovely, it's relaxing and in great surroundings."

The Road to Wimbledon began in 2002 and has continued to expand, initially to India in 2014 before heading to China, Hong Kong and, most recently, Japan.



More than 7000 juniors participate across England, Scotland and Wales, starting in club, park or school events before qualifying for the County finals and then to National Finals at Wimbledon.

Extra-Curricular Sport and PE Timetable: Autumn Term 2019

	LUNCH TIME (1.10-1.45pm)			AFTER SCHOOL (3.30-4.30pm)			
33	SPORTS HALL	GYM	ASTRO-TURF	FIELDS/COURTS/ CLASSROOM	HRF ROOM	DANCE STUDIO/HALL	
MONDAY	Badminton 7-11 Mixed JWI	Competitive Gymnastics 7-11 Invite Only EHU	Hockey 8 Girls DCA	Football 7-11 Girls RPR Rugby 11 Boys PCK	Individual Fitness 7 Mixed Only RBO		
TUESDAY	EPS 11 Invite only PCO	Girls Active 7-9 Girls (Set 2&3 only) LMA		Football 7-10 Boys NST/RPR	Individual Fitness 7 -11 Mixed RBO		Rugby Practice 7-10 Boys All Male Staff Netball 8 Girls AJA Hockey 7 Girls DME
WEDNESDAY	Basketball 7 – 11 Boys JWI	Dodgeball 7-11 Mixed JBR	Hockey 9 Girls LMA	Rugby 7-11 Girls PCK		Competitive Gymnastics 7-11 Invite Only EHU	Netball 7 Girls DME
THURSDAY	Netball 9 Girls LMA	Trampolining 8,9,10 Mixed AJA/EHU	Hockey 10/11 Girls DCA	Netball 7 Girls DME	Individual Fitness 7 -11 Mixed PCK		Rugby/Netball/Hockey Fixtures 7-11 Boys and Girls ALL STAFF
FRIDAY	Netball 10/11 Girls Coach/DCA	Gym Club 7-11 Mixed EHU	Hockey 7 - 11 Boys NST	Netball 8 Girls AJA	Individual Fitness 7-11 Girls PCK	Dance Club 7-9 Mixed Coach	

Clubs are open to both boys and girls unless stated.

Full kit must be worn to all clubs

Hand valuables in to the member of staff running the club

GET INVOLVED AND HAVE FUN!!!!





Post-16 SEN Drop-in Events

Is your child starting year 10 or year 11 in September 2019? Do they have an EHC plan?

Do come along to one of our post-16 SEN events to learn more about the options available as your child moves towards post-16 education.

- Tuesday 24 September 4-7pm
 Liskerrett Community Centre | Liskeard PL14 4AP
- Wednesday 2 October 4-7pm Heartlands | Pool TR15 3QY

Arrive and leave at a time that suits you. There will be different people to speak to and a wide range of information about post-16 education opportunities, transport and how placements are made. There will be some useful resources that you can take away.

If you can let us know you are coming it will help with our planning.

Email <u>statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk</u> for more information or to say you hope to join us.









Director: Christine Judge Cornwall Music Service Trust

Do you love singing? So do we!

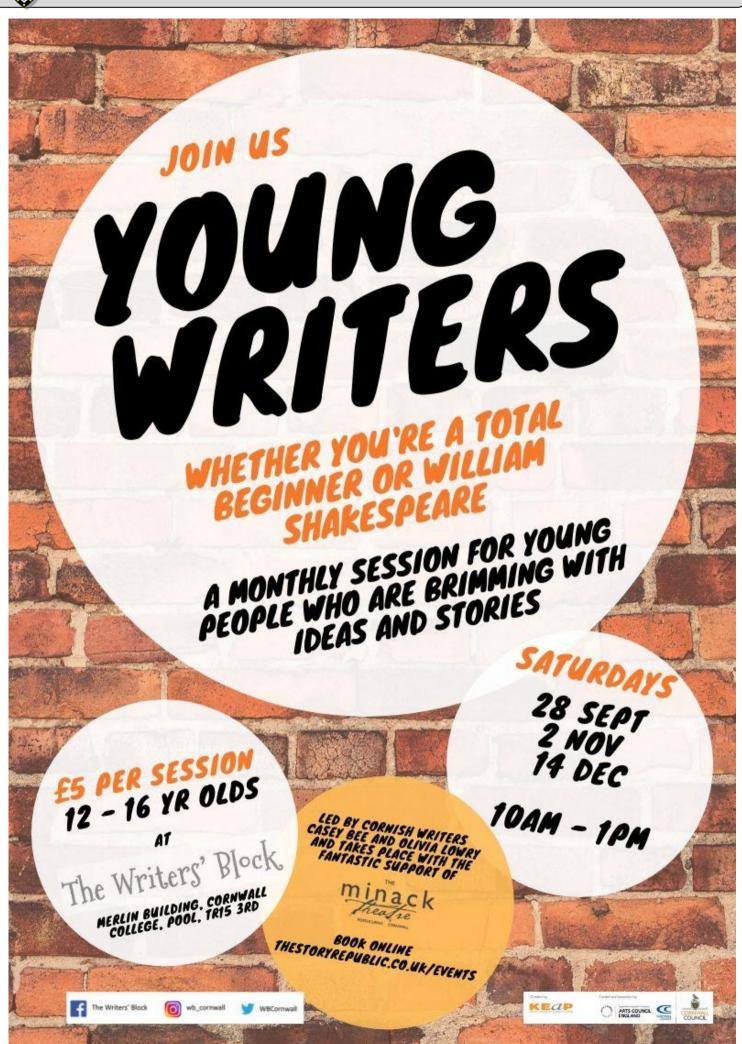
We are holding two open rehearsals when you can come and try out the choir. **NO AUDITIONS – OPEN TO ALL**

Join us on Thursday September 12TH and 19TH 6:30-8PM

Truro Cathedral (enter via crypt from car park)

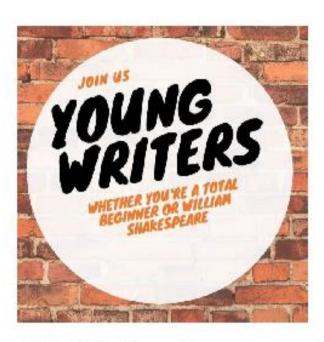
More info on cornwallmusicservicetrust.org No need to book – just turn up on the day We look forward to meeting you!







The Writers' Block



"It's the highlight of my month"

G, Young Writers Group member

What is it?

A monthly session for young people who are brimming with ideas and stories and want to share them with like-minded, friendly young writers and readers.

Where is it?

The Writers' Block, situated in Cornwall College in Pool. An artist-created space which is dedicated to firing the imagination and encouraging creative writing. It's got bean-bags, writing desks and comfy chairs, the perfect place for creating wonderful words.

What happens?

Each session on a Saturday morning is full of discussion, short, fun exercises to get the creativity flowing, longer time to really write and get into your story, led by Cornish writers Olivia Lowry and Casey Bottono. Each term we plan to have a guest writer, for example songwriters. We also visit The Minack Theatre at least once a year for inspiration. And there's always lots of juice and biscuits.

Who's it for?

Any young writer aged between twelve and sixteen. All you need is curiosity, a willingness to have a go and a notebook and pen. Then who knows what we'll produce...

When is it?

28 September, 2 November, 14 December from 10am -1pm Cost: £5 per session. Bursaries can be provided if the session cost is a barrier.

Tickets are available from https://storyrepublic.ticketsolve.com/shows or via the CRBO box office on 01726 879500. More info thestoryrepublic.co.uk/events









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GIRLS' NETBALL & HOCKEY FIXTURES AUTUMN TERM 2019

Sept	Thurs 12th	Away	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball	v	Pool
Sept	Wed 25th	Millfield	National Schools Swimming Relay	Cham	pionships
Sept	Wed 25th	Away	Cross Country		Newquay
Sept	Thurs 26th	Away	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball	v	Redruth
Sept	Fri 27 th	Praa Sands	Peninsula Partnership Surf Comp		
Oct	Tues 1st	Home	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball	v	Camborne
Oct	Thurs 10 th	Away	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball	v	Helston
Oct	Sat 12th	Away	U16 County Netball Tournament		Truro School
Oct	Tues 15th	Home	U16 County Hockey Tournament		9am start
Oct	Wed 16th	Away	Cross Country		Penrice
Oct	Thurs 17th	Away	KS4 Multi Sports		Truro School

HALF TERM

Oct	Tues 29th	Away	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball v	Penryn
Nov	Wed 6th	Home	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball v	Truro High
Nov	Thurs 7 th	Home	U14 County Hockey Tournament	9am start
Nov	Sat 9th	Away	U14 County Netball Tournament	Truro School
Nov	Thurs 14th	Away	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball v	Truro Sch
Nov	Tues 19th	Away	Yr 8 Hockey Mini Hockey Tournament	Penair/TS
Nov	Wed 20th	Away	Cross Country	Penair
Nov	Thurs 21st	Home	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball v	Penair
Nov	Thurs 28th	Away	Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Netball v	Mullion
Dec	Tues 3 rd	Home	Yrs 7a&b, 8, 9 and 10 Netball v	Falmouth
Dec	Fri 6 th	Home	U16 Mixed Hockey Tournament	
Dec	Tues 10 th	Home	Girls Active Primary Sports Events	3.30pm