

Dear Parents & Carers,

Well done to all our students who have made it through the first half term positively and smiling :)

In today's bulletin, I am writing to announce a major new initiative we are putting in place to link our rewards system with our whole school ecology and sustainability drive.

As parents are aware, we email home the number of merits your children earn each week so that you are able to have positive and encouraging conversations with your children about school.

We try to incentivise the importance of merits with the student body by attaching a nominal value to each merit earned. In previous years, a certain amount of merits could be exchanged for educational equipment, money off Prom tickets and a range of other incentives. Additionally, students could donate the value of their merits towards a charity and most students chose this option, which generally resulted in charity donations of well over a thousand pounds each year.

For the current academic year, we have decided to link our merit system with our ecology / sustainability drive. For every 50 merits which students earn, a eucalyptus tree will be planted at our sister school in Uganda. We anticipate over 300,000 merits will be earned across the year and this will fund the planting of 6,000 eucalyptus trees. This provides a real incentive for students to work hard to earn merits and to feel really proud of the amount of trees they can personally contribute towards planting.

This strategy will also further convey to students, the importance of living more sustainable lives and how we can use our influence to affect positive change for our planet.

Please do encourage your own children to keep earning merits which will help keep planting trees!

Steve Mulcahy Headteacher

#### **Dates for your diary**

OCTOBER Friday 23rd Wear it PINK for Breast Cancer Now

Monday 26th - Friday 30th HALF TERM BREAK

Wednesday 11th Remembrance Day Friday 13th BBC Children in Need

#### NOVEMBER

#### From Tuesday 24th

Every Tuesday and Friday in November and December Year 11 Careers Interviews with Careers 4 U

#### DECEMBER

Tuesday 1st Year 11 Drama Dress Rehearsals Tuesday 8th / Wednesday 9th Business Studies Assessments Friday 18th Last day of Term Monday 21st - Friday 1st January CHRISTMAS BREAK

#### JANUARY

Monday 4th January 1st day of Spring Term Monday 4th - Friday 22nd Year 11 Pre Public exams Monday 4th - Friday 15th Year 9 Progress Reviews Thursday 21st Year 10 Parents Evening



#### **RLS VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING NOW LIVE!**

If you know any Year 6 students who are currently deciding on their choice of secondary school, please could you direct them to our virtual open evening microsite at www.voe.richardlander.cornwall.sch.uk? We are sure some of our parents and students will also enjoy having a 'look' around the map and trying to spot themselves in lessons! Thank you to all of the staff and students who welcomed us into their lessons and supported us in such an amazing, creative, enthusiastic way despite the challenging current conditions.





Visit our microsite to explore our interactive map, created for Year 5/6!

Meet our staff and students and find out about what makes each subject special!



Explore our facilities in 360 degrees. Take part in a Richard Lander themed challenge!

> Meet our Head Girl

Saffy, and

our Head Boy, Finlay



## WELCOME TO OUR VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING!





#### WEAR IT PINK FOR BREAST CANCER NOW!

hank you Richard Lander, we have seen a supreme effort by both students and staff today in school as we have all taken part in #wearitpink for Breast Cancer Now! There have been some truly magnificent outfits but whether you have worn one pink sock, or dyed your hair a wonderful shade of rose, to set off a spectacular outfit of a pink tutu and a feather bower, you have all contributed to vital research, specialist nursing and support groups.







Watch Mrs Astle's video on BBB at tutor time

Friday 23rd October! Wear it PINK! Donate £1 to Breast Cancer Now to fund super important research, nursing, support groups..











#### WEAR IT PINK FOR BREAST CANCER NOW!

Mrs Astle's sharing of her own story of her battle with breast cancer last year really inspired us all to make the extra effort, even after a new academic year full of change and challenges!

Extra thanks to Miss Ancell, Year 11 Food students and DT Food staff who baked cakes and decorated them with pink icing and marshmallows and delivered them to the department bases to raise a few extra pennies.

We will update you on the grand total of funds raised after half term.

















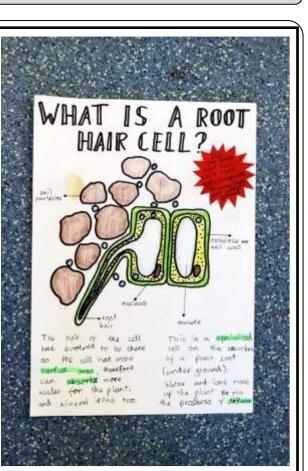
#### YEAR 7 LEARNING ABOUT CELLS

7L1 were given the homework task to either make a model or poster of a cell. Ms Datson was extremely impressed with the quality of the work produced. The class made models of plant and animal cells, blood vessels showing the different blood cells and even an explanation in model form of sickle cell. The posters are bright and colourful and some contain a fabulous amount of information. Congratulations to all, there were many merits and celebration postcards issued.

Spot the ingenious model that doesn't match the homework criteria but is very topical! *Ms Datson* - *Science Teacher* 















#### **RICHARD LANDER SCHOOL STAYING HEALTHY!**

Mr Bridger is inviting us to consider adopting these 9 daily habits which will enhance our lives.

Year 7 have already made a fabulous start on no. 4!

#### FRUIT SALADS AT HOME

Year 7 students were set the task of making a fruit salad at home. This was to test their chopping skills, selection of fruits and hygienic practices. As you can see students produced some amazing results. Well done Year 7 – a great start.



Miss Ancell Head of DT Food









#### **UPDATE FROM THE ART DEPARTMENT**



#### YOUNG PERSON'S ART PRIZE

Well done to Otis and Marlie in Year 8 and Chiara in Year 10 who are some of our winners from the Young Person's art prize. They received their prizes this week from the Newlyn Gallery. Congratulations!



#### **PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION**

We launched a Photography competition on the theme of 'Community 'in school recently and we are really looking forward to seeing some creative entries. The deadline is the 13th November and entries need to be emailed to:

#### creativearts@richardlander.cornwall.sch.uk .

All students are invited to enter and can submit up to three photographs by this date.

#### **ARTIST OF THE MONTH**

Artist of the month is **Amber Heayn** in Year 10, who has made a fantastic start to the GCSE Art course and has some wonderful detailed work in her sketchbook.



Well done Amber .

Please could **KS3 students** be reminded that they need to bring the following items to every Art lesson so that we can avoid having to loan and clean equipment as much as possible. This is greatly appreciated. An HB pencil A black pen A red pen A ruler A gluestick A selection of coloured pencils A pencil sharpener A rubber

**KS4 students** studying Art should be bringing their art pack to every lesson.

**GCSE Photography** students need to bring pens, glue sticks, leads or SD card and card readers to every lesson. Again this helps reduce the loaning and cleaning of equipment at this time.

Mrs N Dalby - Head of Art



#### **CAREERS AND WORK EXPERIENCE UPDATE**

#### TRURO COLLEGE—IB

The International Baccalaureate Diploma programme is a two-year course offered at Truro College which students may consider as an excellent alternative to A Levels. It will be attractive to academically able students who have enjoyed studying a range of subjects at GCSE and want to continue doing so at an advanced level. The IB is not just for an academic 'elite' however; we have students who have a range of GCSE profiles but who all enjoy the breadth of study and flexibility which the IB can offer.

The International Baccalaureate diploma is an internationally recognised university entry qualification which is offered in more than 140 countries throughout the world. It is fully recognised by all UK universities. There is an increasing number of providers in Great Britain and Truro College is the only provider to offer this programme in Cornwall. The IB programme at Truro College is one of the biggest and most successful in the UK.

This link will take you to a PowerPoint that I have recorded, in lieu of being able to offer a talk in person this year, due to Covid-19 restrictions: https://bit.ly/2TtbWN7

#### WORK EXPERIENCE 2021

Unfortunately, due to current Covid conditions we are unable to facilitate Work Experience for our Year 10 students this academic year (2021).

We are still hoping that we will be able to look at a virtual work experience program for the week that work experience would have taken place -(12th – 16th July).

We are hoping to facilitate a Health & Safety workshop for students before this event as this is an important part of being in a work placement, this will also support students going on to get summer jobs. Any queries please do not hesitate to get in contact – ngrenfell@richardlander.cornwall.sch.uk

#### **BOARD OF FAME**

We, in the Careers and Work Experience department would like to put together a 'Board of Fame!' We are looking for Ex Richard Lander students that have gone on to achieve the job of their dreams!!! All that is needed in the first instance is an email to <u>ngrenfell@richardlander.cornwall.sch.uk</u> with some information of who you are and what you are now doing. We are looking to inspire are students and to show them that they can achieve their dreams!!!





#### OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE HALF TERM BREAK

Porthpean Outdoor Education Centre, St Austell, are offering the following activities over half term: Camp Craft - 23<sup>rd</sup> October (9.30am-4pm) - £45 Adult | £35 Child (Minimum age 8yrs) Fireside Tools – 24<sup>th</sup> October (9.30am-4pm) - £45 Adult | £35 Child (Minimum age 8yrs) NICAS Level 1 - 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> October (9am – 12.30pm) - £67.50 per person (Minimum age 7yrs) Canoe Bushcraft Adventure – 31<sup>st</sup> October & 1<sup>st</sup> November - £175 per person (Minimum age 14yrs)

For further information and/or to book please contact Porthpean on 01726 72901 or email <u>porthpean@cornwall.gov.uk</u>.



<u>Armed Forces Families</u> Liaison/Contact member of staff Mr T Brooker. Students — room 206 or Humanities office any break or lunchtime . Parents/Guardians email tbrooker@richardlander.cornwall.sch.uk

#### LOCAL BUSINESSES OFFERING FREE SCHOOL MEALS

The following local businesses are kindly offering meal packs to those in need.

#### The Refill Store, Truro & Goonhavern

(the\_refillstore) Email: refill@hotmail.com Or call 07885 465109

#### Truro- Cafe CHAOS

Cafe CHAOS is offering free lunch bags for children who would normally have free meals. The meals can be accessed through their cafe Recovery College Cornwall.

Castle Beach Café, Falmouth Cornwall- Kernow Asset Protection and Recovery Please visit Facebook for more information on these 2.



Our virtual STEM club will be running through the bulletin every fortnight. If you love exploring, experimenting or problem solving then we want you to take part!

In each bulletin there will be a STEM challenge for you to take part in. Please email a picture of your completed challenge to:

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and you may feature in the next bulletin!

Challenge 2: Can you balance a ball on paper? Using just paper and sellotape, can you balance a basketball or football on top? You must provide a photo for evidence (that you are happy to go in the next bulletin)!



#### **MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER**

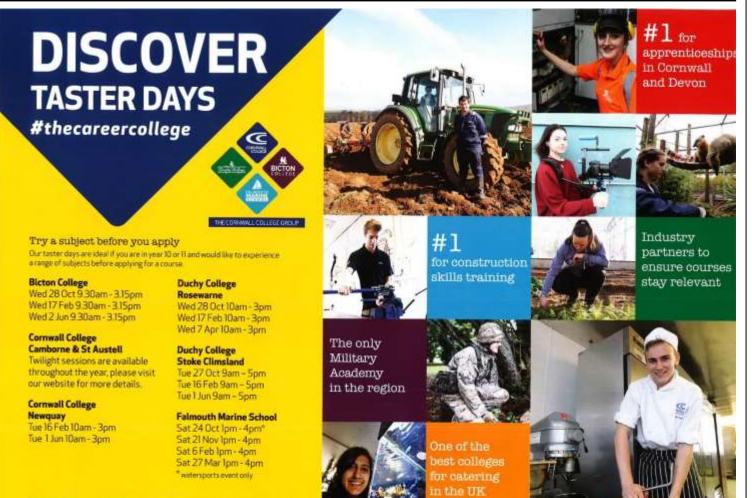
#### **COVID** – Ventilation in Classrooms

As the weather is getting cooler, the temperature in the school is also reducing and in some areas of the school where all the windows in a classroom are opened to increase the ventilation this is causing some discomfort to both staff and students.

We have sought advice from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and the Chartered Institution for Building Services Engineers (CISBE) to ensure that our advice to staff minimises the risks of airborne transmission of COVID.

In the colder, winter months we have directed staff that not ALL of the windows in their classroom need to be open all the time. They have been asked to open all the windows during the lesson change overs between bubbles to allow fresh air to blow through the room, but have been asked to close the majority of windows (leaving just one or two open) when there is a class in the room. This will maintain some fresh air circulation in the room.

We are allowing the wearing of coats and school hoodies in classrooms during lessons if the temperature is uncomfortable. Along with all of the other mitigations which we have put in place; cleaning of the desks between classes, frequent hand sanitising, mask wearing in communal areas, seating plans in the classrooms and 2m distancing from members of staff, these methods of maintaining ventilation, air movement and fresh air in the room will reduce the risks of airborne transmission of COVID.



Register for a taster day by visiting www.cornwall.ac.uk/events-and-taster



#### **Richard Lander School - A Covid Secure School**

What happens if someone in your family gets sick?

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DAY	MUM	CHILD 1	CHILD 2	DAD
01	Gets sick, triggering 10-day isolation for herself and 14 days for her family			
02		Gets sick and starts 10-day count		
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11	Isolation ends			
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13		Isolation ends		Gets sick and
14				starts 10-day count
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19	Anyone with symptoms should keep at least 2m away from other people in the house			
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Isolation ends

People may be able to pass on coronavirus without showing any symptoms

# Are you worried about a child or young person?

If you think a child or young person might be suffering neglect or abuse contact the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU)

# If you see something, say something

Whilst you may be concerned about involving our services, we do more than check up on children and young people's welfare.

If a family is struggling, we can organise early help and support for them, before any problems become harder to solve. 20300 1231 116

#### multiagencyreferralunit @cornwall.gov.uk

#### What information do I need to give?

The more detail you are able to provide, the better we will be able to help.

If you have noticed that something wrong, other people might have too. A teacher, health visitor or other person that knows the family might have already alerted us, and your knowledge might fill in some missing information that can help.







# Outstanding Education Inspiring Futures OPEN EVENTS

# WHETHER ONLINE OR IN PERSON, DISCOVER OUR OUTSTANDING COLLEGE

Sat 07 Nov 2020 Virtual Open Day 10am - 3pm Thu 03 Dec 2020 Open Evening 5pm - 8pm Thu 07 Jan 2021 Open Evening 5pm - 8pm Thu 14 Jan 2021 IB Diploma Info Evening at 7pm Sat 06 Mar 2021 Open Morning 10am - 1pm Thu 06 May 2021 Open Evening 5pm - 8pm

#### WE'RE DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY, BUT WE'RE STILL HERE TO SUPPORT YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY







Discover more about our next event online truro-penwith.ac.uk









BE PART OF THE CONNECTED COLLEGE



# JOIN US ONLINE AT TRURO-PENWITH.AC.UK

## OUR OPEN DAY HAS GONE ONLINE. FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR OUTSTANDING COLLEGE IN A WHOLE NEW WAY.

Simply visit our website between 10am and 3pm on Saturday 07 November. Fly in and out of art studios, science labs and sport pitches as you take a virtual tour of the College, picku p all the details when you watch our Subject Spotlight videos and learn more about the courses we offer by chatting five with our Cutstanding teaching staff who will be waiting for you in their virtual teaching rooms.

Plus, discover lots more on what life as a student is like at Thuro College and how to apply for September 2021.







Outstanding Education Inspiring Futures



#### > CHAT TO TUTORS ONLINE

Our Ofsted Outstanding teaching staff will be live in their virtual teaching rooms where you can chat with them and find out all the answers to your course and subject specific queries. Our friendly support staff will also be available to help you with enquiries on the application process, transport, student support and more.

#### > TOUR THE VIRTUAL CAMPUS

See what life is like for a student as you fly in and out of our virtual teaching rooms, art studios, science labs and more. You're in control as you navigate around the College buildings, discover more about our facilities and see some of the equipment you'll be using as a student at Truro College.

#### > EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

Our course pages include specially created Subject Spotlight videos from teaching staff, giving you all the information you need to learn about the wide range of courses and qualifications we offer. As well as watching the videos, you'll be able to read our in-depth course guides, compare your options and even apply on the day.



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## OUR COLLEGE On your phone





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# YOUNG WRITERS

Whether you're a total beginner or William Shakespeare!

> Saturdays: 10 Oct 14 Nov 12 Dec 10am - 12pm

An online monthly writing workshop for young people who are brimming with ideas and stories.

Led by Cornish Writers Olivia Lowry and Casey Bottono, with the fantastic support of The Minack Theatre

£5 per session

12-16 year olds

Booking info and more details at www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events

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# MANGA

#### An online workshop for budding young illustrators with Manga artist extraordinatire Keith Sparrow



Mondays 2 Oct | 6 Nov | 4 Dec|

£5 per session

3.30-5.00pm

Booking info and more details at www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events

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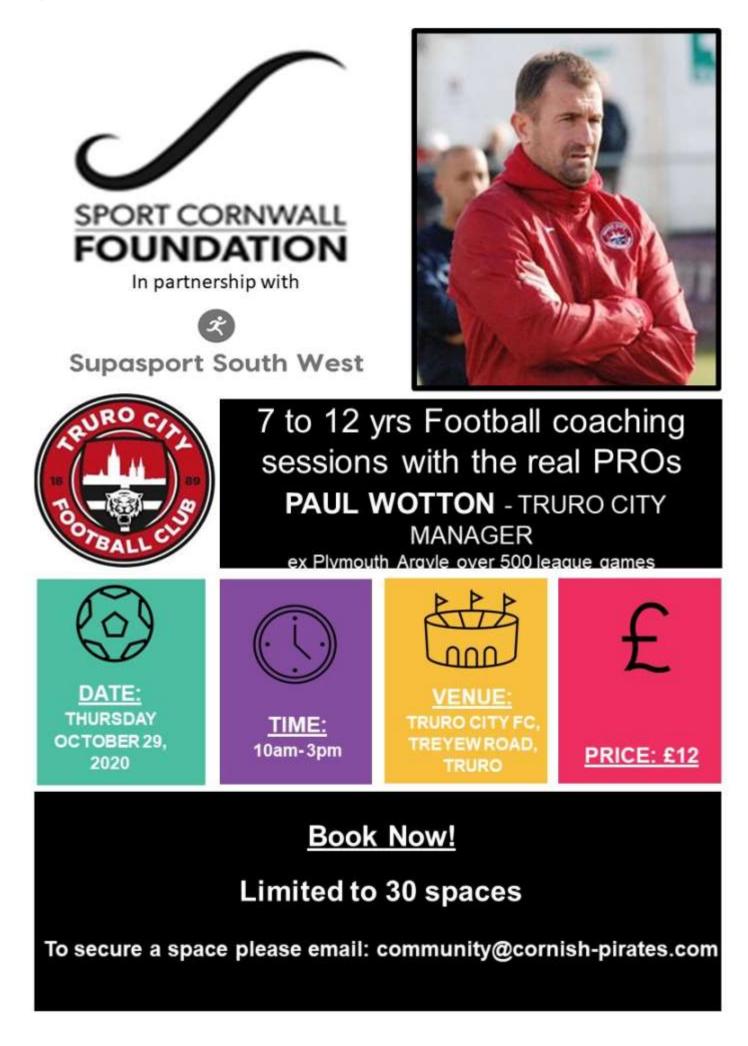
11 years and into adulthood

These sessions will be run online using zoom contact polly.roberts@keap.org.uk for more info.

Created by:









## Cornwall Music **Education Hub 6 WEEK ONLINE LL** BEGINNER COURSE

**STARTING ON SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2020** 10AM - 11.30AM Via ZOOM REMOTE CLASSROOM **OPEN TO ALL 11 - 19 YEAR OLDS** 









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# Virtual Songwriting Club!

#### Bringing young people together to create new music in Cornwall!

Do you like to write your own songs? Are you interested in working with other young people to develop your music? Then join us every **Thursday at 16.00** for a one hour online group workshop focussing on songwriting.

The Hub's record label, Kevrenna Records, supports young people to create and release new music. As part of this the Cornwall Music Education Hub has launched it's new Songwriting Club which will meet online weekly from **23<sup>rd</sup> July**. The sessions will bring young people together virtually each week to share ideas, listen to feedback and collaborate on new projects. The sessions are fully funded by the Cornwall Music Education Hub and there are no costs to attend.

Participants will work together on songwriting challenges and preparing your songs ready to release onto digital streaming platforms.

The sessions will be led and supported by Hub songwriting expert, Ryan Jones. Participants should be aged 12-18 and living in Cornwall or the Isles of Scilly.

To find out more contact the Hub office – <u>CMEH@cornwall.gov.uk</u> or sign up here - <u>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/cornwall-music-</u> education-hub/workshop-application/







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#### **Tate Collective Producers Sessions at Tate St Ives**



A series of workshops for 15–25 year olds taking you behind the scenes at Tate St Ives This is a chance to become part of our group of young creatives at <u>Tate St Ives</u>. Working with artists and the Tate St Ives Young People's Team you will create activities, installations and events for other young people and produce them as part of our Digital Studio this autumn.

We don't expect you to have previous experience– all you need is a desire to get creative, experiment and collaborate.

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#### Programme

#### 13 October: Guest Artist Session with Saelia Aparicio

This session will feature <u>Saelia Aparicio</u>, artist in residence at <u>Porthmeor Studios St Ives</u>. Meet Saelia to chat about her work, how she became an artist and her residency in Cornwall. Find out about Tate Collective Producers and exciting opportunities that Tate St Ives offers young people.

#### 20 October: Guest Artist Session with Georgia Gendall

This session will feature <u>Georgia Gendall</u>, creator of <u>Forced Collaboration</u>. The online platform matches artists' practices and creates a space for cross disciplinary collaboration. Get creative and work with Georgia to make new collaborative artworks for our Digital Takeover.

#### 27 October: Virtual Exhibition Tour

Take part in a behind the scenes virtual tour of our new exhibition <u>Haegue Yang: Strange Attractors</u> at Tate St Ives with Assistant Curator Giles Jackson.

#### **3 November: Planning Session**

This session will be an ideas and planning session for our Tate Collective Digital Takeover. What is our virtual toolkit? How do we engage audiences online and what platforms can we use?

#### 10 November: Programming Session

This will be a programming session for our Digital Takeover. Work with the Tate St Ives team to share your ideas and bring them to life.

#### 16 November: Skills Session

Skills-based session gearing up for our Digital Takeover. Whether it's an online workshop, talk or Instagram Story, you'll be running it on the day with the Young People's team and your ideas will be on show. We'll be brushing up on technical skills and how to work with audiences.

#### 21 November: Tate Collective Digital Takeover

This will be the day that the Tate Collective Digital Takeover goes live

#### About Tate Collective Producers

Our Tate Collective Producers Team are the young people's group at Tate St Ives, who meet up regularly to work alongside artists, create art, devise workshops, social events and exhibitions at the gallery as part of Tate Collective.

Tate Collective Producers, Tate St Ives is open to young people aged 15-25 in Cornwall. **Due to expected demand, and our need to limit numbers so everyone gets a good experience from the sessions, please contact us in good time to reserve your place.**