



Dear Parents and Carers,

As I wrote earlier in the week, it has been an absolute pleasure to welcome your children back to school after the half-term break and to hear of their many adventures. I have also enjoyed the raft of Tom Swifities (see last bulletin) that have come my way. I have the pleasure of reading them all over the weekend and selecting a few prize-winners, but I take this opportunity to thank all who have contributed and I hope that you have enjoyed yourselves along the way.

On the topic of competitions, next week will see the grand final of the Truro School Prep Conker Competition. Having started with over 120 competitors, it has taken a while to whittle down to the final two competitors and we will very soon be in the position to announce the conqueror (apologies for another terrible pun).

Looking back at the half-term holiday, I take this opportunity to thank Sue McIntosh and her team for their work over the break. Whilst many of us were resting, the OPS team managed to redecorate and recarpet the T1 and T2 classrooms, repaint the library, lay new flooring in the serving area of the dining hall, complete the repairs to the Assembly Hall fire doors, install new fencing in the Forest School area and repair the damage caused by storm Ciaran (two large trees falling and tiles off roofs).

As for this week, the children have, as usual, been busy both in and out of the classroom. The week concluded with our Remembrance Service which included a reading of the roll of honour (the 124 former pupils of Truro School who lost their lives in wartime service), the playing of the last post and reveille and a beautifully observed silence. Remembrance has also provided a focus during our assemblies this week - looking back and commemorating the fallen but also appreciating how it has affected us here in the present day and the importance of tolerance, respect and service for others as we move into the future.

Following national and international advertising and a rigorous recruitment and interview process, I am truly delighted to report that I have appointed Lizzie Waddling- Height as the Truro School Prep SENDCo. In an extremely strong field, Lizzie was the outstanding candidate and we are very much looking forward to her taking the lead in a formal and full-time capacity in the New Year. As many of you will be aware, Lizzie is already working with us on a part-time basis alongside her work at Truro School Senior and her connections, alongside her qualifications, experience and ability will be enormously beneficial as we look to develop this critical component of school life.

The briefest of glances at the diary informs me that we have much to look forward to in the weeks ahead. I take this opportunity to thank Katy Milne for planning and overseeing next week's 'Well-Being Week'. The children will also be busy with their singing, drama rehearsals, cross-country and sports fixtures, and of course, plenty of work in the classroom. We will round off next week with a 'charity mufti day' in aid of Children in Need. Please see the information later in this Bulletin for full details.

I look forward to seeing you all in the days and weeks ahead.

With every good wish,

Mr Rob Morse
Headmaster

Monday 13 November

Prep School 'Wellbeing Week'

Reception Trip to Truro School Café

9am-11.15am

Year 3 & 4 Inter-school Swim Gala

With Devoran & Mount Hawke Schools

Prep Pool 2pm-3.15pm

Year 5 Rugby v Truro High School

(H) 3.45pm

Tuesday 14 November

Year 3 & 4 Mixed Cross-Country

v Polwhele & Truro High Schools

Polwhele (A) 1.30pm-4.15pm (2.30pm start)

Wednesday 15 November

Year 3 Roald Dahl Day

Year 3 pupils invited to dress as their favourite Roald

Dahl character

Year 5 & 6 Mixed Cross-Country

v Polwhele & Truro High Schools

Polwhele (A) 1.30pm-4.15pm (2.30pm start)

Thursday 16 November

6AG BMX Cycling

BMX Centre, Blackwater 1pm-4pm

6JL Swimming

SBA Pool, Truro School 1.30pm-3pm

Year 5/6 Football v Archbishop Benson

(H) 3.45pm

Friday 17 November

BBC Children in Need Day

Mufti Day – see note below

Year 4 Volcano Workshops

Saturday 18 November

Year 6 Activity Day

9.30am - 2.00pm at the Senior School

[Click here to sign up](#)

MON 20 NOV - FRI 24 NOV

Please note that some details may change – please check next week's bulletin for updates

Monday 20 November

Rosewarne Cup Football v Treloweth

Girls' friendly match v Treloweth (H) 3.45pm

Tuesday 21 November

Year 3 Netball

Truro High & Polwhele schools (H) 2.30pm

Wednesday 22 November

U11 Rugby Festival

(H) 1.30pm-3.30pm

Year 5 & 6 Swim Gala

Truro High & Polwhele at THS (A) 2pm-4.30pm

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Learning Support Coffee Meeting
Dining hall 3pm-4pm

Thursday 23 November

6AG BMX Cycling
BMX Centre, Blackwater 1pm-4pm

CANCELLED 6JL Swimming (due to gala)
SBA Pool, Truro School 1.30pm-3pm

Year 5 & 6 Interschool Swimming Gala at
SBA with Devoran and Mount Hawke Schools
1.30pm-3.30pm

Friday 24 November

FTS coffee
Dining hall 8.45am

NOTICES

1) Uniform

A reminder that if you have been shopping for new uniform or belongings over the holidays, please could you ensure that every item is clearly named. I would also urge you to check through all of your child's belongings to make sure that any previous labelling is still visible, as often pen ink can become too faint to read or stickers can fall off. If you have acquired second hand uniform, please remember to replace the previous name with the new one.

It is always a shame to have so many items that can't be returned.

2) Head Lice

We have cases of head lice in school and would very much appreciate your help in trying to eradicate them. Please can you check your child's hair this evening if possible, using the wet comb method outlined below. Head lice are difficult to find in dry hair, but in wet hair they lose their grip, move more slowly and can be combed out. Regular combing will help to prevent re-infection as it damages the lice and breaks their life cycle.

To avoid using chemical applications, which are very bad for the environment, we recommend washing the hair, rinsing and applying lots of normal conditioner. Comb through the conditioner with an ordinary comb to remove the tangles. Then, using a head lice comb, part the hair into sections. Comb through, starting at the scalp and out to the end of the hair. After each stroke check the comb for lice and rinse or wipe the comb. After combing the entire head, rinse out the conditioner.

To try and limit the spread of head lice we would advise weekly wet-combing as above, maintain long hair in a ponytail or braids, avoid sharing combs/brushes and hair accessories and head-to-head contact.

Many thanks for your help with this.

3) Impetigo

We are aware that impetigo is around at the moment. Please keep watch for any spots or sores on your child and, if you are unsure, get them checked out by a pharmacist/GP. It is contagious, but easily treatable with antibiotics. Children are welcome to attend school 48 hours after a course of antibiotics has been started. More info can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/impetigo/>

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4) Year 3 Roald Dahl Day Wednesday 15th November

Pupils in Year 3 are invited to dress as their favourite Roald Dahl character next Wednesday.

5) Children in Need 2023

It's that time of year again. Here at Truro School Prep the children always turn out brilliantly in spotty attire for the day. We invite all children to dig out your spots again as well as to bring in a small donation which we will collectively donate towards the work of this charity.

This year you do not need to wear any school uniform – just lots of spots and bright colours. This will be a lovely end to our Mental Health Wellbeing week.

6) A Thank You from Truro Foodbank

During the half term break we received the following letter from Truro Foodbank:

“Thank you so much for your kind donation of 257.4 kilos of food at Harvest festival. This equates to 429 meals for people in food crisis at this time.

At a time when demand is still rising this is very much needed and appreciated, not only by us but more importantly by the people it will go to help,”

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A Week of Reflection and Remembrance

It has been a week of reflection and remembrance at Truro School Prep. Year 6 prefects have been selling poppies and gathering donations for the British Legion at break times throughout the week.

On Tuesday, Reverend Helen led a special assembly where she encouraged children to reflect on the significance of courageous love and the bravery and determination shown by those who have and continue to love beyond themselves. There was time to reflect on those currently experiencing conflict and prayers for peace. Staff and pupils gathered today for a moving ceremony to remember those former Truro School staff and pupils who have been lost in conflict. The Head Girl and Boy laid a wreath of poppies before The Last Post echoed across the school and the community engaged in a moment of quiet reflection. The children then 'planted' a pot of poppies to remember the fallen.



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Unlocking the Future with STEM Education

November 8th marked National STEM Day. At Truro School Prep, we recognise the vital role of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education in preparing pupils and students for the challenges of tomorrow. STEM learning nurtures critical thinking, problem-solving, creativity, and innovation, making it essential for success in the modern world.

We offer a wide range of exciting STEM activities across all age groups, including hands-on science experiments, coding and robotics, math competitions, engineering challenges, STEM clubs, field trips, guest speakers, and workshops.

We are committed to instilling a love for STEM from an early age, fostering a dynamic learning environment, and preparing our pupils and students to become the innovators, problem solvers, and leaders of tomorrow.

A Visit from ShelterBox

Year 4 had a visit from ShelterBox and learnt about the important work that this Cornish-born charity does to provide emergency shelter across the planet.

Now in its 23rd year, ShelterBox has given disaster relief in 98 different countries, supporting 2.5 million people to get back on their feet after hurricanes, earthquakes, conflicts, droughts, cyclones and more. With 100 million people currently living without shelter, the work they do is vital.

The visit included reflections on what shelter means to people; security, privacy, dignity, comfort, and an opportunity for families to spend time together. By providing shelter, the charity aims to help people who have lost everything rebuild their lives.

Pupils were able to explore the practical support that ShelterBox gives; the charity has long been associated with the iconic green boxes, and now provides practical, targeted support for people in need including tents, repair kits, solar lights and water purification systems.

We would like to thank ShelterBox for their insightful and inspiring talk. To donate to the charity, please visit [Donate – ShelterBox](#).



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Pre-Prep Talent Show

As the first half of the Autumn term drew to a close, our Pre-Prep Pupils celebrated with a fantastic Talent Show.

The children showed such courage in taking to the stage in front of their classmates to show off their talents which featured a guitar solo, magic tricks and some acting monologues.



Year 6 Learn About Senior School Life

Moving from Prep to the Senior School can be quite a daunting experience, but our Year 6 cohort are now feeling more prepared after four of our 1st Years ventured back to the Prep School to put their minds at ease. The 1st Years delivered a presentation which included all of their favourite things about life at Truro School, ranging from trying out a new sport in WAA, joining one of over 100 clubs on offer each week, and making new friends.

The Year 6 pupils also had an opportunity to ask any burning questions which were all answered by our 1st Year pupils and Head of 1st Year, Mrs Thurlow.

Thank you to Winnie, George, Sarah and Nat for sharing your advice and knowledge about all things Senior School.



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Creativity Galore in DT

DT is a popular subject across all year groups from Prep to Senior, so it was nice to see Year 6 getting creative in their moving dog project. The task involved combining their woodwork and metalwork skills to create a dog-shaped structure with a metal moving feature.

The pupils are now looking forward to painting their dogs with designs of border collies and black Labradors just a couple of ideas we're looking forward to seeing.



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Year 5 & 6 Football

On Monday, pupils from Year 5 and 6 played some fantastic football against strong teams from Bosvigo. Although we had mixed results, the children were all brilliant ambassadors for the school and should be proud of their efforts. Despite the horrible weather, the games were played in high spirits with all the children involved had big smiles on their faces.



Gold Commendations

Emmeline 5SL for the Bigger Picture: 'My Roots'

Comment: A beautiful family tree in 3D. Wonderful work!

Merit Awards



Bronze Merit Awards

5LJ: Lissie
6AG: Jacob, Otilie
6DG: Finlay, Daneil



Silver Merit Awards

3ME: Max, Kai
4LL: Maya, Freya, Edward
5LJ: Phoebe, Aubrey, Digby



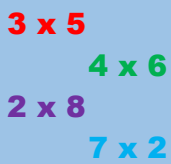
Gold Merit Awards

3SM: Daisy, Mabel, Ramona, Athena
4LL: Ashleigh

House Point Form Champions

Erin & Kaleem 3ME
Harry & Edward 3SM
Oliver 4LL
Ollie 4SC
Woody 5CD
Digby 5LJ
Eleanor 5SL
Fergus 6AG
Erys 6DG
Charlotte 6JL

Maths



3×5
 4×6
 2×8
 7×2

Times Table Challenge Certificates

3ME: Ella C, Ella D, Oliver, Boe, Wilf, Bobby, Erin, Malhar, Albie, Freddy, Kai

3SM: Elodie, Ramona

4LL: Louis, Maya, Edward

4SC: Anantveer

5CD: William L

5LJ: Aubrey, George

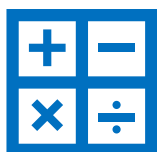
5SL: Jenson, Oscar

6AG: Fergus, Edie, Otilie

6DG: Ethan, Finlay

6JL: Isabella, Rex, Jack, Ben, Niamh

Rock Stars



Times Table Rock Star of the Week

Anantveer 4SC

Top Rock Performers

Year 3: Zander

Year 4: Ashleigh

Year 5: Matilda

Music



Thomas 6AG took part in a summer course in Harrogate with the National Youth Choir of Great Britain Boys' Choir. He was selected as one of the six soloists for a recording of 'I am. We are', which has just been released.

Please follow the link below to view:

[I am. We are. | Oliver Tarney | National Youth Boys' Choir - YouTube](#)



Thomas also attended the South West Brass Band Championships in Torquay on Saturday 4th November, with the St Austell Youth Brass Band. He played timpani and after a phenomenal performance, they were crowned the top youth band in the south west.

Gymnastics



Ethan 4SC took part in the South West Tumbling Championships, winning bronze in the U10 division.



Ashleigh 4LL took part in a competition at the Falcons Gymnastics club in Barnstable on Sunday 29th October. She won gold medals for Bar and Floor and silver overall in the 7-10 age group.



Rugby



William 5CD scored 8 tries for Wadebridge Camels RFC in a match against Newquay during half term, and was chosen by his team mates as player of the match.

Scuba Diving



Arthur 4SC has passed Grade 1 Scuba Diving at Dive NQY academy in Newquay.

Horseriding



Delilah 6AG won rosettes from taking part in showjumping competitions on 26th and 29th October.

Winner: Showjumping accumulator winner with 1590 points (with Surprise)

3rd place: 70cm showjumping (with Magnus)

4th place: 60cm showjumping (with Magnus)

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Sale



Coffee Morning

Please join us for an informal meet-up on
the last Friday of every month; old and
new faces are always welcome.

Friday 24 November: Prep Dining Hall

from 8.45 am



**TRURO
SCHOOL**

Year 6 Activity Morning

Saturday 18 November 2023

9.30am - 2.00pm



Celebrating Cornwall

Help us celebrate everything Cornwall has to teach and offer us. Our countryside and coastline offers surfing to fossil hunting, shipwrecks to farmland, folklore, heroes, feasts and festivals. Please feel free to come dressed as any Cornish character if you would like ... Mermaids, Pirates, Piskies & Poldarks welcome!


Open to any pupil currently in Year 6.
The morning includes themed activities, fun lessons, games and lunch.

Please register your interest using this QR code and we will be in touch to confirm the details:



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Please use this QR code to register your child for Wraparound care or via the Forms link.

<https://forms.office.com/e/VZUiYbg1Ff>

