

20 OCTOBER 2023: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of a remarkably busy half-term, there is no doubt that the children are ready for a break. They have covered a great deal of ground both in and out of the classroom. Equally importantly, they have engaged readily with the idea of making good choices in all aspects of school life. Furthermore, I am convinced that the staff are equally ready for a break and I take this opportunity to thank them for their professionalism and dedication over the past two months. Finally, I am sure that you will also be looking forward to having your children with you over the next two weeks, but I am mindful that there may be times during a cold wet and dark October half-term when you might need some support or distraction. With this in mind, I warmly invite you and your children to enter the Truro School Prep Half-Term Puzzle-time Competition. The competition is based on the phrases known as *Tom Swifties*.

The name comes from the Tom Swift series of books, similar in many ways to the better-known Hardy Boys and Nancy Drew series. In this series, the young scientist hero underwent adventures involving rocket ships, ray guns and other inventions.

A stylistic idiosyncrasy was that the author, "Victor Appleton," went to great trouble to avoid repetition of the unadorned word "said". Since many adverbs end in "ly" this kind of pun was originally called a Tom Swiftly, the archetypal example being, "*We must hurry,' said Tom swiftly.*"

At some point, this kind of humour was called a Tom Swifty, and that name is now more common. Tom Swifty examples include:

- "*I need a pencil sharpener," said Tom bluntly.*
- "*I love hot dogs," said Tom with relish.*
- "*I might as well be dead," Tom croaked.*
- "*We just struck oil!" Tom gushed.*
- "*It's freezing," Tom muttered icily.*
- "*I have no flowers," Tom said, lackadaisically.*
- "*I'd like my money back, and some," said Tom with interest.*
- "*I dropped my toothpaste," Tom said, crestfallen.*
- "*Careful with that chainsaw," Tom said, offhandedly.*
- "*My therapist told me I suffer from multiple personality disorder," said Tom being frank.*

For the record, they do not have to feature Tom:

- "*Do you write fairy tales as well?" asked the brothers grimly.*
- "*I wonder if this radium is radioactive?" asked Marie curiously.*
- "*The Battle of the Nile? A lot of fun!" said Lord Nelson disarmingly.*

And my current favourite is:

"You call this a musical?" said Les miserably.

So, should you and your children find yourself with a little time on your hands, on a dark wet afternoon or on a monotonous car journey, I challenge you to produce your own versions of Tom Swifties. Please send your answers by email to prephead@truroschoo.com or via your children upon their return from the break (and by Friday 10th November at the latest). Prizes will be awarded for the funniest, cleverest and most obscure.

Good luck to you all and I wish you all a lovely half-term holiday with your super children.

With every good wish,

Mr Rob Morse

MON 23 OCT - FRI 3 NOV

HALF TERM

MON 6 NOV - FRI 11 NOV

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

Monday 6 November

Year 5 & 6 Football v Bosvigo

(H) 3.45pm

Tuesday 7 November

Peninsula Independent Schools Judo League;

Truro, Mount Kelly & Kingsley Schools

Sports Hall 10am-2.30pm

Year 6 Transfer Information Evening

Assembly Hall 4pm-5pm

Wednesday 8 November

ESFA U11 open 7-a-side football

Biscovey Primary, Par (A) 12pm-5.40pm (1.30pm start)

Year 6 Girls' Hockey at Truro High

(A) 2.05pm-4.15pm (2.45pm start)

Thursday 9 November

ShelterBox Talk for Year 4

10.40am-11.50am

6AG BMX Cycling

BMX Centre, Blackwater 1pm-4pm

6JL Swimming

SBA pool, Truro School 1.30pm-3pm

Friday 10 November

Act of Remembrance

(Children and Staff) 10.55am

FTS Christmas Pudding Making

Dining Hall 7pm-9pm

Saturday 11 November

U10 Rugby Festival

Queens College, Taunton (A) 7.30am-3.30pm (10am start)

MON 13 NOV - FRI 17 NOV

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Monday 13 November

Reception Trip to TS Café

9am-11.15am

Year 3 & 4 Inter-school Swim Gala with Devoran & Mount Hawke Schools

Prep Pool 2pm-3.30pm

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)

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Wednesday 15 November

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)

Year 4 Volcano Workshops

NOTICES

1) Strategic Planning and Action Plan 2023-4

With thanks to all who attended the presentation at the Senior School last Thursday and who have requested access to view the presentation. A link to view the recording of the presentation is available in the Clarion message. The full presentation is about an hour long, so we have identified the timings of particular themes to help navigation.

1. Introduction and summary of Truro School's Strategic Planning process.
2. 6 mins: Summary of key School Developments since 2021.
3. 7 mins 30: Commitments in the current wider climate.
4. 12 mins 40: Action Plan 2023-4 Objectives.
5. 17 mins 30: Prep School Progress and Plans.
6. 29 mins: Resources and Site Developments.
7. 34 mins 30: Academic Life and Culture.
8. 39 mins 30: SEND Update.
9. 45 mins: Co-Curriculum and Partnerships.
10. 48 mins 30: Pastoral Life and Culture.
11. 55 mins: Conclusions.

2) Remembrance Day Poppy Sale

We are pleased to let you know that we have poppies and Remembrance Day items which our house captains and monitors will be selling in the week after half term. If you are happy for your child to contribute towards the British Legion charity then we would encourage the children to bring in their donations from 6th – 10th November. Some of the items along with the traditional poppies include pencils, rulers and button clips. These items are priced and range from 50p to £1.50. Our House Captains will be collecting donations (for poppies) and selling the other items during morning and lunch break times. Thank you for your support.

3) Luke Jerram's Gaia at Truro Cathedral

6 - 28 October, please click [here](#) for more details.

4) Blackbird Pie Magazine

For the latest edition of Blackbird Pie magazine, please click [here](#).

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A Juicy Adventure at Healeys Cyder Farm

From seed to bottle, our Nursery pupils learned all about apple juice production while visiting Healeys Cyder Farm. They began their experience with a special tour led by Joe Healey before a bumpy tractor ride to see the farm's orchard, where the apples begin their journey to juice.

The children also enjoyed visiting the farm's animals, including Mocha, the very friendly Pygmy goat, and Dancer, the shire horse. As the weather turned, they ventured to the rattler bar for an apple juice label-making competition. There were lots of wonderful designs that they put on their very own bottle of apple juice.

A huge thank you to Joe and Bella Healey for showing us around the farm; the children had a wonderful time learning about all things apple!



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Quiz and Movie Night at Prep

The Assembly Hall was full of noise and laughter as this term's Friends of Truro School (FTS) Pasty and Quiz event got underway last Friday.

While younger children were treated to popcorn and movies in the classrooms, the quiz tested even the brightest of brains in the Assembly Hall. With fiendishly tricky rounds including music, trivia and guessing the staff member from baby photos, it was a hotly contested and highly enjoyable quiz.

The quiz and movie night is just one of a number of fantastic FTS events being held this term. We look forward to sharing more from the forthcoming Prep Coffee Morning, FTS AGM and Christmas Pudding Making Evening with you soon. If you are interested in hearing more about these events, please email FTS@truroschool.com.

A huge thanks to everyone who made Friday's evening such a success and special thanks to our brilliant FTS team and all of the staff involved in bringing the event to life.



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A Twit-Tastic Morning

Wormy spaghetti, messy beards, and a visit from Mrs Twit could only mean one thing; a Roald Dahl lesson takeover. Year 3 enjoyed an immersive morning of The Twits themed activities as part of their English project on the book.

The pupils created messy beards using a range of materials, as well as making wormy spaghetti straight from Mrs Twit's kitchen, before enjoying a visit from Mrs Twit herself.



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The Positive World of Light

*'It glows, it sparkles, it twinkles and shines;
without it, all's dark, no visible signs
of colour, beauty or wonderful sights.
Have you guessed it yet? I'm talking of
light!'*



Immersing our youngest learners in the positive world of light, Pre-Prep pupils gathered for a vibrant light party. With creativity in full bloom, pupils crafted lanterns and light necklaces, and enjoyed wearing their glow-in-the-dark bracelets whilst dancing to the light. The light party doubled as both an educational and enriching wellbeing experience, allowing pupils to explore the mysteries of light in a fun and spiritual way.



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Inspiring Art and Writing in St Ives

Our lucky Year 6 pupils travelled to St Ives to immerse themselves in inspirational art and scenery for a combined literacy and art trip.

The pupils split into three groups, which rotated across three locations; Porthmeor Beach, the Tate St Ives and the Barbara Hepworth Museum.

Porthmeor Beach is famous for inspiring artists and was the perfect setting for some sand sculptures. Pupils were also encouraged to capture sights, sounds and feelings to inspire their writing on their return to school.

The Tate St Ives is home to collections from Cornwall and around the world. Featured artists include Alfred Wallis, Marlow Moss and Barbara Hepworth.

Focussing more on the sculptures of Barbara Hepworth, our pupils considered how the artist used a wide array of inspiration to move between landscape, figure drawing and still life, combining different techniques, media and styles. Barbara Hepworth was the first sculptor to use holes in her work, promoting the idea that holes can be points of connection. Certainly, our students enjoyed exploring these connections for themselves.

The tour of the Hepworth Museum and Sculpture Garden, the former home and studios of Barbara Hepworth, offers a fabulous insight into the artist's life and sculptures. Our children were delighted to walk in the gardens that inspired much of her work.

It was a fabulous day and a fantastic opportunity for hands-on learning and experiences. Our children were a credit to the school and staff received many compliments on their behaviour during their visit.

Thanks to all of the staff who helped on the day, with special thanks to Ms Cadwallader and Miss Ashdown.



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Year 5 Netball

On Wednesday the Year 5 girls travelled to Truro High for their first netball game of the season. It was a lovely sight to see over 30 girls playing netball, challenging themselves to play new positions whilst developing their knowledge of the game.

The teamwork and positive attitude displayed by all the girls were a joy to watch, the ball was passed down the court with fluency and control and scoring opportunities were celebrated by everyone. Tilda and Cora were both named players of the match by Truro High but all the girls should be proud of how they played and the developments they made.



Judo Trophy International Cup 2023

Congratulations to Niamh, Rupert and Charlie who took part in the Trophy International Cup (Judo) last weekend.

Niamh won Gold after many hard contests and threw with some lovely Ippon throws for maximum scores.

Rupert did well and gained a silver medal, while Charlie secured a well-earned Bronze.

Well done all three of our Prep Pupils; they were fighting at the U12 level, meaning that they were giving away a few years in age.

Pre-Prep



Golden Awards for going above and beyond in Pre-Prep

Pippa

Bea

**KS1 Golden
Lunch Table**

Orange Table

Gold Commendations

Jesse 5CD for English 'Bodmin Moor Walk'

Comment: A wonderful 3D model of the cheesewring and standing stones on the Moor.

Aria 5SL for the Bigger Picture 'My Roots'

Comment: Stories about the QE2, dancing with Princess Diana, Ireland and manufacturing in Leicester. Great research.

Jenson 5SL for the Bigger Picture 'What is Happiness?'

Comment: A beautifully presented montage of images about happiness, including his 'happiness wall' and a particularly happy memory/day out!

Jenson 5SL for the Bigger Picture 'My Roots'

Comment: A well presented powerpoint, detailing your family name's origins.

Noah 5SL for the Bigger Picture 'My Roots'

Comment: Castle drawings (related to the 7th Earl of Warwick) and a family tree going back to 1140 in France.

House Point Form Champions

Malhar 3ME

Seren 3SM

Endelyn 4LL

Connie 4SC

Jesse 5CD

Tristan 5LJ

Dylan 5SL

Delilah 6AG

Sienna 6DG

Isabella 6JL

Gold Commendations

[Hugo 5SL for English 'Bodmin Moor Walk'](#)

Comment: A wonderful 3D/ art response to your homework task.

[Dylan 5SL for the Bigger Picture 'What is Happiness?'](#)

Comment: An exciting poster about surfing – and the different ways it makes Dylan feel happy.

[Rory 5SL for the Bigger Picture 'My Roots'](#)

Comment: A well presented powerpoint about Rory's family roots – and a 'show and tell' bag featuring the coats of arms from his family.

[Arthur 5SL for the Bigger Picture 'What is Happiness?'](#)

Comment: A very innovative slideshow about the different ways in which a piece of music can make you feel happy.

Merit Awards



Bronze Merit Awards

4SC: Gabriel, William, Violet

5LJ: Rupert, Eleanor

5SL: Eleanor, Arthur, Oscar

6JL: Maya



Silver Merit Awards

3ME: Harleen, Jack, Freddy

3SM: Percy, Edward, James

4LL: Edward

4SC: Harry, Anantveer, Ethan

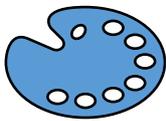
Merit Awards



Gold Merit Awards

3ME: Bobby

Art



Congratulations to the following pupils whose work has been chosen to go in the Gold Frame:

Harleen 3ME for your outstanding drawings and collage of fruit and vegetables.

Reading



Congratulations on behalf of Truro Library to the following children who took part in the Reading Agency, Summer Reading Challenge

3SM: Edward

4LL: Edward

4SC: Samuel

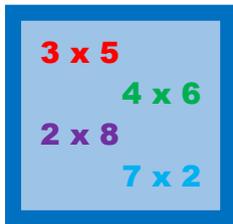
5LJ: William

5SL: Noah

6AG: Otilie



Maths



Times Table Challenge Certificates

3ME: Ella C, Ella D, Harleen, Poppy, Erin, Greta, Kai

3SM: Henry C, Henry C, Elodie, Daisy, Christopher, Ramona, Athena, Seren

4LL: Sofia, Endelyn

4SC: Connie

5CD: Cora, William V

5SL: Jenson, Eleanor

6AG: Teresa

6DG: Charlie C, Mairi

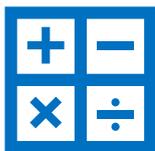
6JL: Lexi, Gracie, Maya

Rock Stars



Times Table Rock Star of the Week

Harry Year 4



Top Rock Performers

Year 3: Elodie

Year 4: Edward

Year 5: Sophia

Year 6: Thomas





Running



William 5LJ took part in the Boston Park Run two weeks ago, finishing in first place in the junior male U10 group with a time of 28:30.

Judo



3 Prep School pupils took part in the Trophy International Cup on Saturday 14th October, each winning medals at U12 level:

Charlie 5CD: Bronze

Rupert 5LJ: Silver

Niamh 6JL: Gold



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AGM 2023



NOV **9** 2023



AT **9 - 11** AM

Heseltine
Gallery, Truro
School

**EVERYONE
IS
WELCOME!**

Please email:

fts@truroschool.com

if you would like to join us.



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Christmas Pudding Making Evening

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER 7pm



*Make friends and enjoy some festive cheer whilst we make our own
homemade Christmas puddings.*

All ingredients and a glass of wine will be provided.

Just bring a mixing bowl, a set of scales, a wooden spoon and an apron.

TICKETS £15 AVAILABLE at

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PASSWORD: FTS



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UNIFORM
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



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Ros Atkins

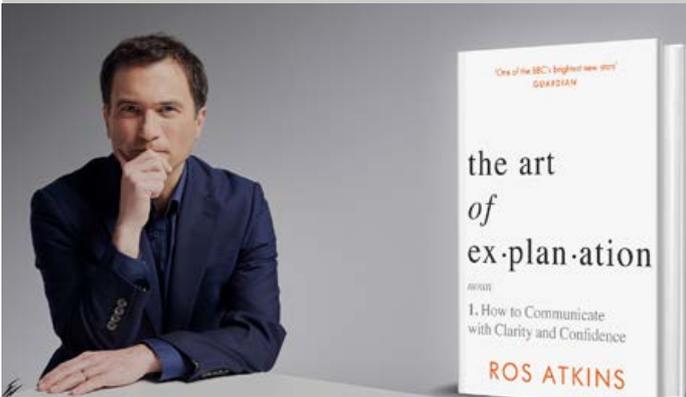
the art of explanation

at The Burrell Theatre

THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

BBC presenter, journalist and Truro School Alumni, Ros Atkins (CO93) joins us at the Burrell Theatre on Thursday 9 November. [Buy tickets here.](#)

'To watch an Atkins report is akin to observing a watchmaker assemble the inner workings of a timepiece -there's precision, deftness and a calming expertise'
THE TIMES



TRURO
SCHOOL
COOKERY

Cookery Classes

Bookings Now Open to Spring 2024!

Our Cookery Classes are now available to book up to Spring 2024, with some exciting new classes added.

There are parent and child classes, classes for 2 (an ideal opportunity to catch up with a friend or family member over some delicious food, a cookery lesson and a glass or two of wine) and there are also day classes available for those who want to maximise their skills.

For a full list of our new classes, check out the Truro School Cookery website > www.truroschoolcookery.com

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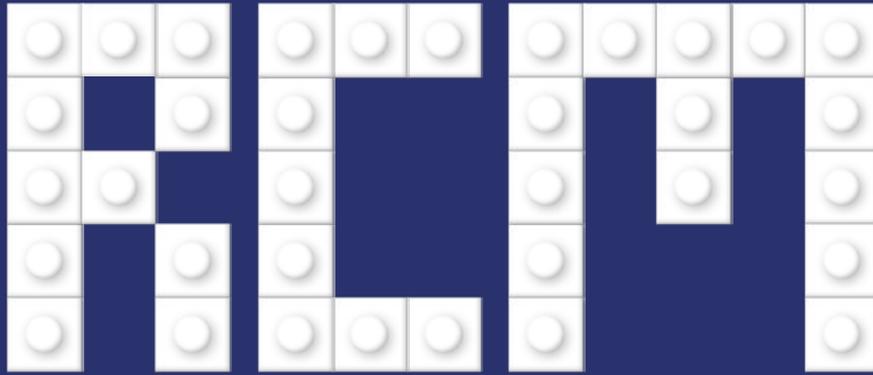
Sunday 9.15am - 10.00am
Book in advance at reception

Members £6 Per Session
Non-Members £9 Per Session



23 - 28 October 2023

Half Term at



Royal Cornwall Museum



Film making
Workshops
Nurdle sieving
Halloween Ball



[Learn more](#)



Royal Cornwall Museum, 25 River Street, Truro, TR1 2SJ
Under-18s enter the museum free of charge
Workshops and Halloween Ball charged separately





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

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