

19 JANUARY 2024: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES



## Dear Parents and Carers,

At the end of another busy week, I write with my regular update on life at Truro School Prep.

Continuing our work on metacognition, I took advantage of Monday's assembly to use my own experiences to model how I have overcome some recent challenges. This included referring to my past experiences in similar situations and how I might apply my learning to the challenges currently at hand.

Furthermore, it allowed me to model the need for resilience and talk the children through my feelings and strategies when I am faced with a particularly tricky task. Taking the opportunity to model such experiences and behaviour is hugely beneficial to the children and it is undoubtedly helpful if you, as parents and carers, can talk to your children in this fashion when the opportunity allows. I do not doubt that such discussion is already part of your regular conversations with your children but, if this is not the case, perhaps you might wish to try it in the days and weeks ahead.

As for happenings here at school, there has been much action both in and out of the classroom. Highlights have included the Year 6 children honing their revision and examination skills (in advance of this weekend's Truro School entrance test and, of course, all future examinations), preparation for Youth Speaks and the Cornwall Music Festival, and the regular raft of sporting fixtures.

On this latter note, I take this opportunity to congratulate the Year 6 boys on their successful navigation through to the next round of the County Cup. Their match was a particularly close encounter and, with the score standing at two apiece after full-time, extra time ensued and yet still there was nothing between the sides. A thrilling penalty shootout followed and I am delighted to report that Truro School came out on top. Whilst this was a pleasing outcome, the most rewarding aspect by far, was the determination, camaraderie and good sportsmanship that was on display; both during the match and when consoling the opposition after the final penalty had been taken.

Of course, the major event of the week was the flurry of snow that fell early on Thursday morning. It was an absolute pleasure to be in the midst of so many excited children, parents and staff. Unfortunately, it disappeared all too quickly but at least we managed to enjoy the snow while it lasted and captured a few photographs along the way (please see [Page 5](#) of this Bulletin for more).



With very best wishes to one and all,

Mr Rob Morse

Headmaster

## Monday 22 January

U11 Rugby v Truro High  
(H) 3.40pm

## Tuesday 23 January

Year 4 Netball v Truro High  
(A) 2.20pm-4.10pm (2.50pm start)

## Wednesday 24 January

Year 4 Tudor Workshop  
Kresen Kernow, Redruth 9.30am-12.25pm

U11 Netball v Truro School U12s  
(A) 2pm-4pm (2.30pm start)

Year 3 and Year 4 Girls' Football v Truro High  
(H) 3.30pm

Year 3 Play Rehearsal  
4pm-5pm

## Thursday 25 January

Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football Tournament  
Richard Lander (A) 12.30pm-3.45pm (1pm ko)

5CD, 5LJ & 6AG Swimming  
SBA Pool, Truro School 1.30pm-3pm

## Friday 26 January

U11 Mixed Badminton v Truro School U12s  
SBA (A) 12.25pm-2.30pm (event 1-2pm)

## Saturday 27 January

Boy Chorister Auditions

## 29 January - 2 February 2024

Details may change – please check next week's bulletin for updates

## Wednesday 31 January

U11 Football v Plymouth College  
(H) 2pm ko

Year 6 Netball v Truro High  
(A) 2.10pm-4.10pm (2.50pm start)

## Thursday 1 February

5CD, 5LJ & 6AG Swimming  
SBA Pool, Truro School 1.30pm-3pm

## Friday 2 February

Year 2 Trip to Wheal Martyn Clay Works  
St Austell 9.15am-3pm

Year 4, 5 & 6 Mixed Cross-Country Qualifier  
Richard Lander School (A) 12.30pm-4pm (event 1.15pm-3pm)

## NOTICES

### 1) RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch 2024

We would like to invite our pupils and their families to join in with this year's Big Garden Birdwatch. The UK's biggest citizen project, this is now also the world's largest wildlife survey.

The event takes place over the last weekend in January, from the 26th to the 28th of January 2024. To take part, you simply need to spend an hour watching the birds in your garden and record the birds that land.

There is a downloadable digital guide and everything you need to know to take part on the RSPB website [here](#).

Pre-Prep is also taking part in the Big Schools' Birdwatch throughout January and February and we are encouraging classes from throughout the school to join in. You can find out more about this project [here](#).



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## Boy Chorister Experience Day

What's the best thing about being a boy chorister? Boys across the county joined us for our annual 'Boy Chorister Experience Day' where they enjoyed a true taste of chorister life, and found out from our current choristers all of their favourite things about it.

Our current boy choristers joined the visitors for a tour of the cathedral, and rehearsals in the crypt, before performing a cushion concert for friends, family, and the public. Our prospective choristers also had the opportunity to try on cassocks and surplices to get into the true spirit of the day. The boys asked lots of questions about how often the choristers sing, and what opportunities they get.

A huge thank you to all the boys, who joined us for the day and to Mr. A-B, Mrs. Vaughan, and Mrs. Gregory for organising another wonderful event. We look forward to welcoming the boys back for the chorister auditions on the 27th of January.



## Achieving Dreams and Goals

This week's Junior Assembly focused on dreams and goals. Led by Mrs Issaka and a group of Year 5 and 6's, pupils discussed what goals they may have for the coming term and how they were going to get there. They also talked about their dreams for the future.

The children were reminded that it's important to help others with their dreams and goals, as well as to ask for help with theirs. Our assembly leaders demonstrated this brilliantly with balloons, showing that some people can easily do this on their own, however, others might need a hand to blow up their balloon.

The pupils will continue thinking about this in their upcoming PSHE lessons.

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## A Sprinkling of Snow

Snow is a rare sight in Cornwall, so as both the Prep and Senior School received a pretty dusting, the pupils were very excited to make the most of it.

Pre-Prep used their forest school lesson to enjoy the snow, sliding down the hill, making snow angels, and as many snowballs as possible. Meanwhile, Prep pupils enjoyed playing outside before lessons.



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## Marvellous Manners at Prep

Manners have been on the menu for the children at Prep this term. Through assemblies and form time, pupils are being encouraged to be little ladies and gentlemen and work on some key social skills to prepare them for the wider world.

Along with holding open doors, listening beautifully in class and always using please and thank you, children are being encouraged to make eye contact when spoken to and to proactively ask questions to each other and to adults, such as, "How are you?", "How was your weekend?" and "What can I do to help?".

It has been wonderful to see these efforts being put into practice and we have certainly enjoyed the ensuing responses from their engaged conversations.



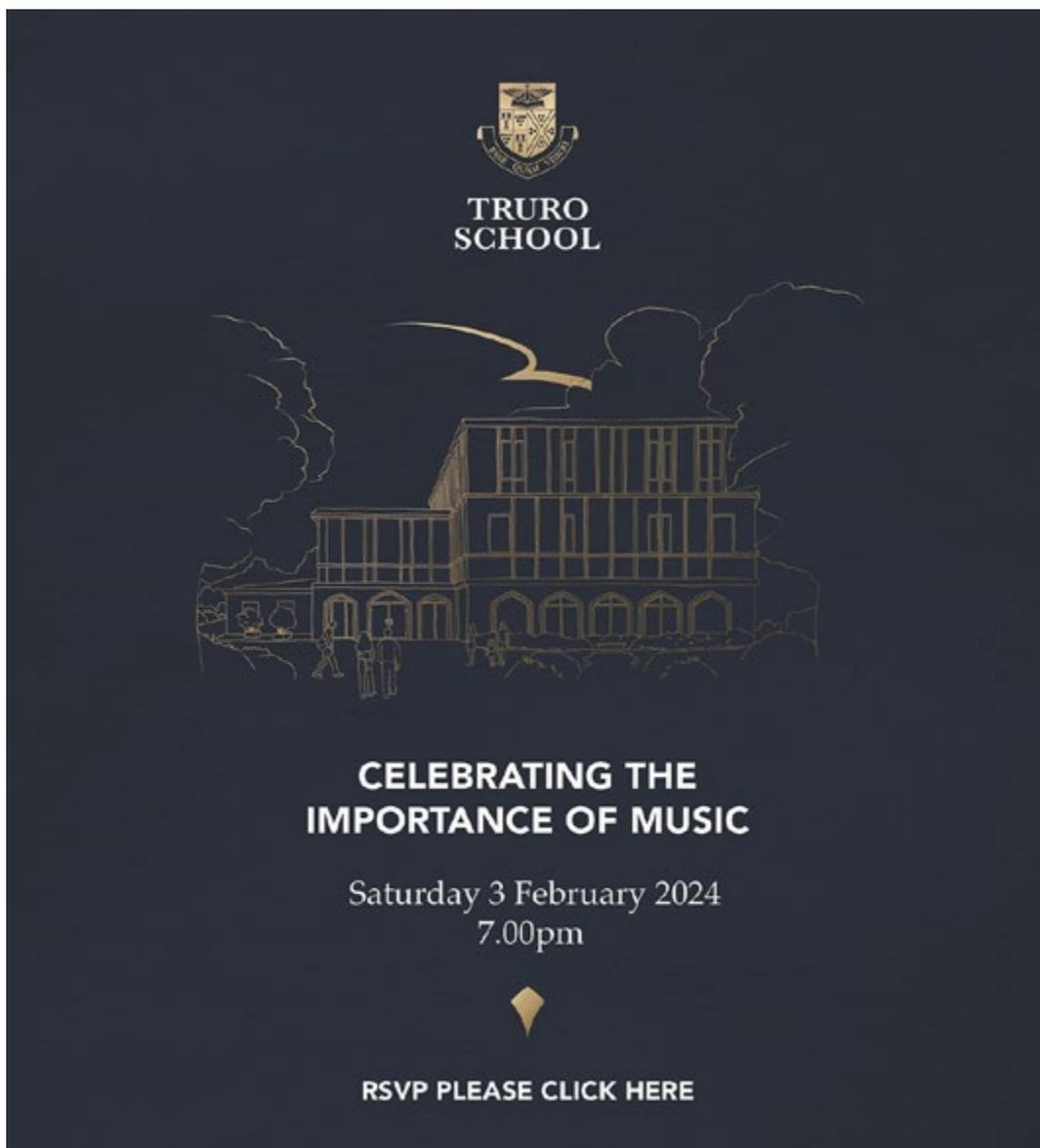
# An Invitation

## An Invitation - Celebrating the Importance of Music

A reminder of your invitation to attend our event Celebrating the Importance of Music on Saturday 3 February at Truro School.

The evening will showcase performances by both school and community youth musicians, spanning various styles and age ranges. Information will also be shared about the building of Truro School's new music centre and its School and community purpose. This project will also enable increased site safety and paves the way for better facilities to support wellbeing.

Please do join us if you can. An RSVP can be accessed via this link:  
<https://www.truroschoo.com/celebrating-the-importance-of-music/>



Please accept our apologies that due to an administrative error, the achievements on this page were missing from last week's bulletin.

## Maths

**3 x 5**  
**4 x 6**  
**2 x 8**  
**7 x 2**

### Times Table Challenge Certificates

3ME: Erin

3SM: Athena

4LL: Maya, Freya, Edward

4SC: Tom, Anantveer, Ethan

## House Point Form Champions

Freddy 3ME

Seren & Christopher  
3SM

Endelyn, Freya &  
Sienna 4LL

Gabriel, Barney &  
Ethan 4SC

Bo 5CD

Rupert & Scott 5LJ

Dylan, Arthur & Oscar  
5SL

Lewie, Delilah &  
George 6AG

Jennifer & Mairi 6DG

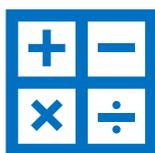
Raif, Jack & Niamh  
6JL

## Rock Stars



### Times Table Rock Star of the Week

Anantveer Year 4



### Top Rock Performers

Year 3: Zander

Year 4: Samuel

Year 5: Rupert



## Skiing



Hugo 5SL has been awarded with a trophy for winning a downhill slalom race in his ski group in Italy during the Christmas break.

He has also received a badge for technical Level 2 in Alpine Skiing.

## Gold Commendations

### Delilah 6AG for English: World War 1

**Comment:** For an excellent and moving poem and letter home as a soldier in World War 1.

### George 6AG for English: World War 1

**Comment:** For an excellent and moving poem and letter home as a soldier in World War 1.

### Rex 6DG for English: World War 1

**Comment:** For outstanding work on the First World War, including a poem and letter home.

### Atticus 6DG for English: World War 1

**Comment:** For outstanding work on the First World War, including a poem and letter home.

### Mairi 6DG for English: World War 1

**Comment:** For outstanding work on the First World War, including a poem and letter home.

### Sienna 6DG for English: World War 1

**Comment:** For an excellent and moving poem and letter home as a soldier in World War 1.

### Jenny 6DG for English: World War 1

**Comment:** For an excellent and moving poem and letter home as a soldier in World War 1.

## House Point Form Champions

Jack 3ME

Daisy & Henry 3SM

Sofia 4LL

Arthur W 4SC

Emmie 5CD

Alex & George 5LJ

Emmeline 5SL

Thomas 6AG

Shiloh 6DG

Charlotte 6JL

## Gold Commendations

**Raif 6JL for English: World War 1**

**Comment:** For outstanding work on the First World War, including a poem and letter home.

**Isaac 6JL for English: World War 1**

**Comment:** For outstanding work on the First World War, including a poem and letter home.

**Niamh 6JL for English: World War 1**

**Comment:** For an excellent and moving poem and letter home as a soldier in World War 1.

**Casper 6JL for English: World War 1**

**Comment:** For outstanding and moving work related to World War 1, including a poem and letter home.

## Merit Awards



### Bronze Merit Awards

**4SC:** Samuel, Ollie, Anantveer

**6AG:** Rose, Lilou, Luca



### Gold Merit Awards

**4SC:** Audrey

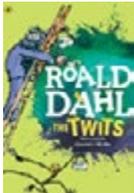
## Reading Awards



Morpugo Club (50 books)

4LL: Ashleigh

6AG: Delilah



Dahl Club (60 books)

4SC: Ethan

5LJ: Isaac

6AG: Delilah



Walliams Club (70 books)

5LJ: Isaac

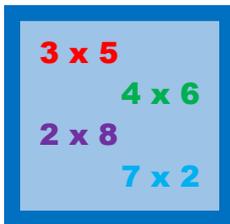
## Handwriting



A pen licence have been awarded to:

4LL: Sienna

## Maths



### Times Table Challenge Certificates

**3ME:** Ella D, Harleen, Jack, Erin, Athena, Arthur, Malhar, Greta, Kai

**3SM:** Henry, Percy, Mabel, Joseph, Ramona, Edward, Hugo

**4LL:** Ashleigh, Rohan, Hennie

**4SC:** Samuel

**5CD:** Toby, Henry, William

**5LJ:** Sebastian, Rozalia

**5SL:** Jenson, Eleanor, Rory, Matilda

## Rock Stars



### Times Table Rock Star of the Week

Anantveer Year 4

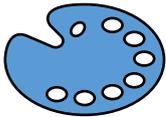
### Top Rock Performers

**Year 3:** Poppy

**Year 4:** Emily

**Year 5:** Matilda

## Art



**Congratulations to the following pupils whose work has been chosen to feature in the Golden Frame:**

**'For your creative and skillfully made ceramic butterflies'**

**5CD: Will S**

**5LJ: Miles, Rozalia, Amaya**

**5SL: Ellie, Penny**

## Gymnastics

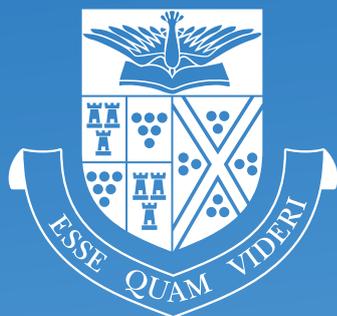


**Hetty 6AG has been invited to represent Cornwall in the county gymnastics squad.**

**The invitation to join Cornwall Squad is given to only a handful of gymnasts and is as a result of Hetty's hugely successful 2023 competition season.**

## School Council Reps Spring Term

|     | Captain | Deputy   |
|-----|---------|----------|
| 4LL | Endelyn | Oliver B |
| 4SC | Audrey  |          |
| 5CD | Reggie  | Charlie  |
| 5LJ | Aubrey  |          |
| 5SL | Eleanor |          |
| 6AG | Rose    |          |
| 6DG | Charlie |          |
| 6JL | Jack    |          |



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# Coffee Morning

2024

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

**Friday 26 January: Prep Dining Hall**

**Friday 23 February: Prep Dining Hall**

**from 8.45 am**



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