



Friday Bulletin

FRIDAY 8 NOVEMBER: NEWS, NOTICES AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Dear Parents and Guardians

It's always enjoyable when pupils come back to school after a break. As much as those staff at school make the most of the slightly slower pace during the holidays, it's the boys and girls who bring the campus alive with their energy, their cheerfulness and sense of purpose.

It's an important week for our community as we host the long-listed candidates who have been chosen for interview to be my successor. My role in the process is not so much to interview them, but to answer the questions they have about the school, the role, the things we value, the job still to be done. One of the best compliments you can receive as a headmaster is when people say that they feel a palpable sense of community from people (pupils and staff) who really enjoy being here. It's easy to take our warm and welcoming ethos for granted, so it's great to be commended by senior people from other schools about the happy atmosphere around school.

Forgive me for mentioning the 'R' word, but weren't the Springboks superb?! Having lived in the UK for 22 years now, I haven't stayed abreast of the backstory behind the team but I was moved by the coach and captain's words in the post-match press briefing (worth a look on YouTube). We were given a lesson about pressure and privilege, hope and despair. It's never a bad thing to be reminded to look beyond ourselves and our little bubble and reflect that some of the stuff in our lives that we call pressure is actually a privilege. It is the time of year when I know that our pupils will be putting themselves under pressure, the pressure to perform in exams, what with forthcoming mocks and end of term tests on the horizon. Our job as their teachers and parents is to help them keep things in perspective, to keep a balance and not to allow pressure to turn to stress. Good on you if you can convince them that it's a privilege.

We are super-proud and not a little humbled by our own sixth former, Maisy Vincent, who over the break was invited to the Hospitals

Helpforce Champions awards ceremony. As part of our Sixth Form enrichment programme, Maisy volunteers each week to work at Treliske hospital with dementia patients. Maisy found out at the ceremony that she was being honoured with the award for Young Volunteer of the Year. Do read this article which will bolster your faith in humanity. <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-7623589/Meet-veteran-volunteers-scooped-Hospital-Helpforce-schemes-annual-awards.html>

At the end of last half term our girl choristers were out and about as Truro School ambassadors, visiting Wells, London, Oxford and Windsor and singing in Wells Cathedral, St Paul's Cathedral and Merton College chapel no less. As you know, they are part of the nationally renowned Truro Cathedral Choir, and reading the terrific review of their latest CD which appeared in Gramophone, the world's most respected classical music journal, they are performing at the highest level – our very own kind of rock stars!

Well done to our Gold and Silver Duke of Edinburgh expeditioners who were out on the moor over Half Term for their practice expedition. Such was the inclemency of the weather that there was a danger of them growing webbed feet and a good call by Mr Cucknell to call time (they may/may not have been pleased to be back in time to watch the RWC final). I'm sure our boys are looking forward to this weekend's block rugby fixture against Exeter School which is always a closely fought affair.

Andrew Gordon-Brown
Headmaster





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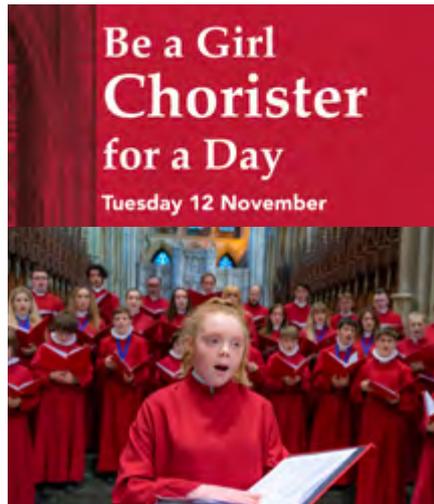
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Do you know someone who loves singing and would like to find out more about being a Girl Chorister?

Our 'Be a Chorister for a Day' event takes place on Tuesday 12 November and is the perfect opportunity for girls to experience life as a chorister, from morning rehearsal through to school lessons, and finally a short service of Evensong when they will have the chance to sing with the Cathedral Choir.

For information, please contact Jayne Grigg, Director of Admissions on 01872 246062 or email jeg@truroscool.com



Maisy wins national Hospital Helpforce award for volunteering



We are incredibly proud to announce that Sixth Form student Maisy, one of the NHS's 'most outstanding volunteers' has won the 'Young Volunteer of the Year' award at the national Helpforce Champions Awards 2019. A very well

deserved award and an inspiration to all, well done Maisy!

[Read the full story online](#)

Diary Dates

Saturday 9 November

Netball: Girls' U14A vs County Tournament 8.30am **Cancelled**

Rugby: vs Exeter School U13A, U13B, U16A, U18A Home. U12A, U12B, U14A, U14B, U15A Away

Sunday 10 November

Cross Country: Mixed U18A vs Cornwall Cross Country Championships

Monday 11 November

Anti-bullying Week - Change starts with Us.

Music: 16+ Scholarship Auditions

Music: 1st and 2nd Year Girls - **Be a Chorister for the day**

Cancelled Geology: 5th Year Group 1 field trip

Whole School - Remembrance Service: 10:45 - 11:15

Music: Guitar Week Concert, Location: M1, 16:30 - 17:30

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Cancelled Geology: 5th Year Group 1 field trip

PSHEE: 4th Year RSE Workshop, The Assembly Hall, 9:15 - 12:55

Music: Concertos Concert 2, Truro Cathedral, 12:30 - 14:30

Football Fixtures: Boys-U15A vs St John's School, Leatherhead 13:30

Hockey Fixtures: 1st XI- Girls vs Indoor Tournament 16:00

Sixth Form: Winter Warmer Social, Sixth Form Cafe 16:15 - 18:00



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House Music Competition



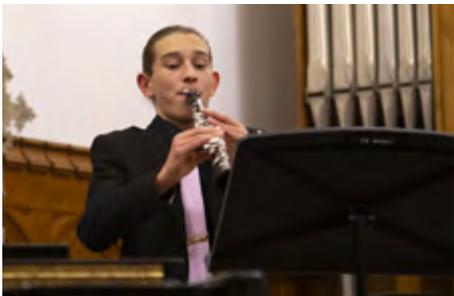
It was with much excitement that we welcomed the final nine soloists and three ensembles to perform in Wednesday's finals of the 2019 House Music Competition and Gala Concert.

This year, the House Music Competition received an amazing 170 applications, each in support of their House. Following a rigorous selection process, this was

whittled down to 57 semi-finalists before the finalists were announced.

Congratulations to Smith House on taking 1st place overall with 91 points.

[Read the full story and view results online](#)



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Wednesday 13 November

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Music: 16+ Scholarship Auditions

Rugby: Boys-U16A vs Penryn College, A 14:00

Rugby: Boys-U18A vs Truro and Penwith College Boys-U18B, H 14:15

Football: 1st XI vs Newquay Tretherras School A 14.30

Netball: 1st VII vs Truro&Penwith College 14.30

Hockey: Girls-U12A, U13A, U15A vs Pool Academy A 15.15

Rugby: Boys-U12A, U12B, U13A, U14A vs Richard Lander, U15A vs Penryn College

Cancelled Rugby: Boys-U15A, U16A vs Richard Lander School

Thursday 14 November

Anti-bullying Week - Change starts with Us.

Music: 16+ Scholarship Auditions

Football: Boys-U14A vs Torpoint Community School A 14.45

Netball: Girls U12A, U13A, U14A, U15A, U16A VS Richard Lander H 16.00

English: iGCSE Literature extension class, Rm 31, 16.00

3rd Year Parents: Parents' Evening, The Assembly Hall 16:30 - 19:30

Hockey Fixtures: 1st XI- Girls vs Hockey Regionals



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Scuba divers receive their PADI certificates



Our school scuba divers were pleased to receive their PADI Open Water certificates after successfully completing last term's course, learning basic scuba skills in the

pool and discovering the ocean with open water dives. They look forward to exploring the underwater world further.

More brilliant performances from our fencers

Last weekend saw another series of brilliant performances by the Truro School sabre fencers.

This time the squad travelled to Stratford-Upon-Avon to compete in both U17 Stratford Cadet Sabre and the Senior Hamlet Sabre competitions for male and female fencers.

14-year-old Lexie Craze continued her amazing run of form, taking the gold medal in the U17 Women's event, with team-mate Aimee Whitelegg, 13,

reaching the top 16.

Lexie went on to reach the top 16 of the senior women's event, with Truro School alumni Hannah O'Reilly scoring a top 8 finish.

In the U17 men's sabre, Darcy Holdsworth took the silver medal and Max Cromie placed an excellent 5th, and Henry Martin, Sam Horne and Amari Lawal all reached the top 32.



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Friday 15 November

Anti-bullying Week - Change starts with Us.

Music: 16+ Scholarship Auditions

Art: 5th Year GCSE and Upper Sixth trip, London, 06.00

Ten Tors: 1st Fitness Walk, Mousehole - Sennen

Whole School: House Assembly 08:45 - 09:10

Rugby: Boys-U12A vs County Tournament, 09.00

Music - all Choristers: Cathedral Choir Concert, Brahms Requiem, Location: St Mawes Festival, 17:00 - 21:30

Fencing: Mixed-U18A vs Sofia - Junior Nominated, tbc

Saturday 16 November

Art: 5th Year GCSE and Upper Sixth trip, London

Ten Tors: 1st Fitness Walk, Mousehole - Sennen

Music: Jazz Festival - outreach event with Leeds College Jazz Orchestra, Helston College and Humphry Davy School Jazz Bands, The Assembly Hall, all day

Hockey Fixtures: **Cancelled** U16A, 1st XI- Girls vs Mount Kelly and West Buckland

Hockey Fixtures: Girls-U12A, U13A, U14A, U15A vs Mount Kelly and West Buckland

Fencing Fixtures: Mixed-U18A vs Sofia- Junior Nominated, tbc

Sunday 17 November

Music: Jazz Festival - afternoon hootenanny
Location: The Assembly Hall

Fencing Fixtures: Mixed-U18A vs Millfield
LPJS- Youth Event



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Pupils have enjoyed the Bernard Irwin exhibition



Next week is Anti-bullying Week



In preparation for the week, Childline has launched a campaign to give young people the tools they need to help a friend who's being bullied. New content is available on the Childline website including advice on: helping a friend building confidence and self-esteem; and bullying and cyberbullying on social networks.

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week>

Peninsula Secondary Schools Judo Competition



Our Judo team have enjoyed recent success at the Peninsula Secondary Schools Judo Competition.

Not only was this Henry's first competition as a Senior School pupil, but he also had fight up a weight category. He put in some significant attacks and earned a well-deserved silver.

This was Lulu's second ever competition, against Judoka 2-3 belts (5-8 grades) higher. However, she showed excellent development and sealed a 3rd place Bronze.

[Read the full story online](#)



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4th Year Geology Field Trip to Carn Brea





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Save the Date

FTS and Community Events



Autumn Term

Thursday 14 Nov Truro School Senior and Prep Christmas Pudding making evening (19h00 - 21h00)

Thursday 21 Nov Annual General Meeting (18h30) Heseltine Gallery

Friday 6 December Truro School Senior Christmas Event

Friday 6 December Truro School Prep Christmas Fair (15h00 - 17h00)

Spring Term

Saturday 25 January Truro School 11+ 13+ entrance exam (09h00 - 12h00)
Tea and coffee for parents in the Cafe

Friday 20 March Truro School Prep Barn Dance – provisional date (18h30 - 20h30)

Summer Term

Saturday 16 May Truro School Prep Triathlon – provisional date (09h15 - 12h30)

Saturday 20 June Truro School Prep Summer Fete – provisional date (12h00 - 15h00)

Thursday 18 June Truro School Senior 1st Year Gala Concert

Dates TBC Truro School Prep Sports Day

Dates TBC Truro School Senior Sports Day

Saturday 27 June Summer Ball (for all Truro School Parents - Senior and Prep)

Thursday 2 July Truro School Prep Speech Day

Friday 3 July Truro School Senior Speech Day

The Friends of Truro School (FTS) is designed to bring the strong and inclusive community of Truro School Senior and Prep parents, pupils and teachers together.

All parents and/or guardians of pupils at Truro School Senior and Prep are full members of the FTS. The FTS works to enrich our children's school experience, strengthen the school community, raise funds to help enhance the facilities of the school and ensure that our children get the most out of their time here.

Thank you very much for your support and we look forward to seeing you at events around the school.

Best wishes, Laura Rundle and The FTS Team
Chair of FTS Committee fts@truroscool.com

Friends of Truro School - Annual General Meeting

Date : Thursday 21st November 2019

Time : 6.30 pm

Venue : Heseltine Gallery, Truro School

If any parents would like to join the FTS Committee, either as an Officer or a Committee Member, please email fts@truroscool.com ahead of the AGM.

More details can be found on the School website - <https://www.truroscool.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/FTS-Roles-of-Officers-Committee-Prep-Class-Reps.pdf>

Be a Girl Chorister for a Day

Tuesday 12 November

Our annual 'Be a Girl Chorister for a Day' event is the perfect opportunity for girls to experience life as a Chorister in Truro Cathedral Choir. It is open to girls currently in Years 7 and 8, especially those considering entry to the choir as they enter Year 9.

For more information, please contact the Cathedral's Director of Music, Christopher Gray on 01872 276782 christophergray@trurocathedral.org.uk



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Christmas Pudding Making Evening

Just bring a bowl, scales & a spoon!
£12.50 per ticket

Thursday 14th November at 6:45pm

Ingredients & a glass of wine provided
Location - Truro Prep dining hall

[Click above to visit the Eventbrite booking page](#)



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Jazz CONCERT

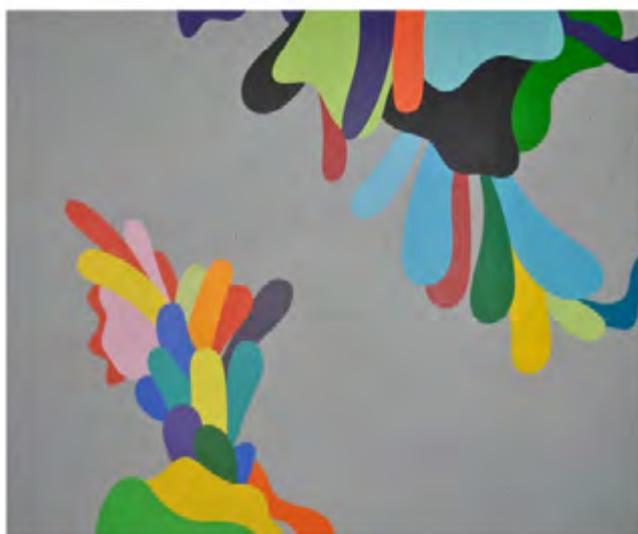
Assembly Hall, Truro School

Saturday 16th November, 2019

Featuring Truro School Jazz Orchestra & Cornwall Youth Jazz Orchestra

Free entry. Full bar available before the performance and during the interval

IF I WERE A BLACKBIRD I'D WHISTLE AND SING
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FREE EVENT



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Pebble painting with #BillKernow | Badge-making | Story-telling
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Cornwall County Choirs at 3pm



SATURDAY 9th NOV
10am to 4pm

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Truro School Drama Presents

This Sceptered Isle

'Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown'

*Shakespeare's English history
plays abridged and adapted
by Ben Oldfield*

26th, 27th, 29th & 30th November

7:30pm Burrell Theatre

Plus a 2pm matinee on Saturday 30th November

Tickets £8/£5 from www.minack.com 01736 810181



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Truro School Cookery are offering the opportunity to enjoy a 'Pre-Theatre Supper' before each evening production of the 'This Sceptered Isle' on Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Friday 29th and Saturday 30th November.

The menu will be prepared by our professional Chef team (AJ, Manuel and Will !), and will be served at 6 pm prompt in the newly refurbished sixth form café.

Menu

"Not your average bread basket" with smoked garlic aioli, roast pepper salpicon and seaweed butter

Braised short rib chilli with polenta chips and kohlrabi slaw

Proper Job treacle tart with grapefruit crème fraiche

£25 including glass of wine or soft drink

Special dietary requirements can be catered for providing details are given at the time of booking. There will be 30 places available each evening which can be booked via the Burrell/Minack website link <https://www.minack.com/theburrell/> or direct with their box office 01736 810181

We are also pleased to announce that the new Lily Bar in the Burrell Theatre will be open for pre theatre and interval drinks and ice-creams - all designed to make your visit to the Theatre at Truro School a really enjoyable evening!



~~Cornish~~ A Christmas Carol

(with apologies to Mr Charles Dickens)



THE BURRELL THEATRE, TRURO

18th December 7pm

19th December 7pm

20th December 1pm & 7pm

21st December 2pm & 7pm

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Written by: **Simon Harvey** and **Richard Healey**

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Please leave your gifts at Truro School Reception
By 6th December.

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Professor Laurence Hurst CO83

(Truro School 1976 – 1983)

Fellow of The Royal Society (FRS), Professor of Evolutionary Genetics at Bath University, Director of the Milner Centre for Evolution & President of the Genetics Society 2018-2021

Presents:

Nothing in Biology Makes Sense

Truro School – Heath Dining Hall & Chapel

Monday 13 January 2020

4.30pm – 5.45 pm

Reserve your free place via the Alumni Events page on the Truro School website



Professor Laurence Hurst, President of the Genetics Society and former pupil of Truro School, is visiting to speak to Sixth Form Biology students, alumni, parents and A-level teachers from across the County. Professor Laurence Hurst, President of the Genetics Society and former pupil of Truro School, is visiting to speak to Sixth Form Biology students, alumni, parents and A-level teachers from across the County. He will be delivering his talk about the why of Biology, exploring issues such as varied testicular size in mammals, the strangeness of drinking milk and language evolution. Teachers are welcome to stay on after the talk for a brief presentation on the importance of teaching genetics before evolution.

Laurence Daniel Hurst (born 1965) FMedSci FRS is a Professor of Evolutionary Genetics in the Department of Biology and Biochemistry at the University of Bath and the Director of the Milner Centre for Evolution and the President of the Genetics Society, one of the world's oldest such societies, celebrating its centenary in 2019. He is a leading authority on the evolution of genetic systems.

Hosted by:
Sarah Finnegan, Head of Biology, P.S.H.E.E. and Coordinator of the Medical Pathways Programme

"We are eagerly anticipating Professor Hurst coming to talk to the sixth form students in the spring term on '*Nothing in biology makes sense.*' He will discuss many fascinating areas including colour blindness, testicular size in primates, language evolution and the strangeness of drinking milk. However, the overriding aim of his presentation will be on giving students an insight into identifying their passion and determining their next steps. We are so very grateful for his support."





Heron Tennis Open Day Sunday

17th November

(Free, Open at 9am, Indoors if wet)



10-10.45am

Parent + Toddler Tennis. A perfect way to start for 2 1/2 – 4 years.

Mini Tennis. For 5-10 year olds. **And Zumba.** Adult taster session.

11-11.45am

Adult Tennis. 16yrs+ taster session.

Junior Tennis. 10-15 year olds. **And Pilates.** Adult taster session.

12-12.45pm

Coach/assistant led free play for adults. **Disability tennis** taster session/ demo. **And Kids Yoga.** Taster session.

1-3pm Free outdoor court, racket hire and table tennis. 8 full courts and 2 mini courts available. Advance booking needed for all sessions.

Also planned for the day **Whirlwind Sports** racket demos.

To book your place or for more information please call us on 01637 877555, email herontennis@aol.com or follow link to www.lta.org.uk/tennisweekends (Newquay)



If you can't make the ODay you can use this voucher for a free session!

Saturdays 9-9.55am (5-8 years) or 10-10.55am (9-14 years)

Sundays 10-10.55am (5-10 years) or Toddlers 10.15-10.55am (2 1/2-4 years)

Thursdays 5-5.55 pm for Adult beginners/improvers

Offer limited to 1 voucher per non-member and valid until 31 Jan 2020

Name/Date Used

Heron Tennis Open Day Sunday 17th November 2019 Everyone Welcome.

Heron Tennis is open to members and non members throughout the year. The day also provides a chance for members to invite friends down to Heron. A day full of exercise, enjoyment and an introduction to all classes going on at Heron Tennis, Newquay. The day includes free outdoor court hire (8 courts plus 2 mini courts), cardio tennis, junior and adults sessions, mini tennis, toddler tennis, disability tennis, table tennis, zumba, kids yoga, pilates plus food and drink from our Courtside Cafe. If the weather turns we have 2 indoor courts. For more info or to book a place call Heron on 01637 877555, email herontennis@aol.com, speak to a member of the Heron staff at reception or book online www.lta.org.uk/tennisweekends (Newquay).

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