



Friday Bulletin

FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER: NEWS, NOTICES AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Dear Parents and Guardians

Foodbank Donations

I've been struck this week by the levels of pupil engagement in social and charitable causes. The response to the request for donations to support CPR Foodbank over Harvest festival was simply overwhelming. The narthex to the chapel was crammed full of foodstuffs, making getting into and out of the chapel a real challenge. I received a wonderful thank you card from Foodbanks who need help in re-stocking their warehouse after a busy summer.

Christmas Box Appeal

A group of 4th Year girls stepped up at assembly this week to request help with the Christmas Box appeal. The students donated 50 boxes last year and so were challenged to do even more to support children who might not otherwise be expecting a gift on Christmas Day.

Truro City of Lights

Many of our artists were out and about in the community this week taking part in the City of Lights parade through Truro. This magical event marks the start of the festive season and a combination of effort and talent from senior and prep school pupils alike came together to produce some stunning lanterns for the procession.

Whole School Play

If you've ever had a child involved in a Truro School major production you will be breathless with anticipation for what next week has in store. 'This Sceptered Isle' promises to be another sell-out show. If, for whatever reason you have never seen a whole school play then I strongly encourage you to see this one if you can get your hands on a ticket. Prepare to be bowled over by just what our boys and girls can deliver.



Maths Masterclass

Our maths department are running maths masterclasses for pupils from local primary schools and it was lovely that on Saturday morning we were able to challenge our visitors with an array of fun maths challenges. It's super to see Truro School staff and pupils responding to the call of John Wesley to "Do all the good you can..."

Welcoming Year 6

Tomorrow we will be welcoming Year 6 pupils from all over to take part in a Harry Potter themed activity day to help them settle and ease in to life at Truro School. From wand making to games of quidditch, we hope that they will have a fun filled day.

Mr Gordon-Brown, Headmaster

Diary Dates

Saturday 23 November

Netball: Girls-U14A v County Tournament, 8.30am, Penryn

Drama: Whole School Play - This Sceptered Isle technical rehearsal, Burrell Theatre Rooms 50 and 51, 9.00am

Year 6 Activity Morning, Senior School, 9.30am

Sunday 24 November

Drama: Whole School Play - This Sceptered Isle technical rehearsal, Burrell Theatre Rooms 50 and 51, 9.00am



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National Schools Squash Championship



On Wednesday 20 November Key Stage 5 boys travelled all the way to Epsom to play a first round fixture against Reeds and Epsom schools. Without Jack M and Ollie B, the team called upon the very able duo of Ed H and Finlay C to play in their stead and help regulars Louis M, Ben T and Joe T.

After a 7.30am departure the team arrived at Epsom at around 1.45pm ready for a good warm-up and then a hard first tie against Reeds.

On his debut, Finlay put in a fine athletic effort and only just lost out in a solid first experience of the National champs.

Ed took a strong and very impressive 3/0 win on the other court, and Joe Thomson likewise came through 2/1 and comfortable in his win. Louis was too strong for his opponent and sliced through him in double quick time leaving Ben to finish proceedings with a very tight 2/1 victory eventually gained on sudden-death match ball!

In the Epsom game, Finlay played a very good opponent, but fought in every rally and scored vital points for the team. Ed was up against an opponent four years elder to him, and although Ed was more accurate, he just lost out to the power hitting of the Epsom boy.

The coach said: 'For me, the three best matches of the day unfolded with Ben Thorpe going to a sudden-death match ball again and not quite clinching his win on this occasion against a younger, but England level player.

'Joe then gave his best performance of the season to date and smashed his challenger everywhere to win 3/0 in great fashion and Louis was simply superb yet again in dismantling another highly-ranked England junior 3/0 in the top match.

'Well done to all the team on smooth qualification to the next round and a credible chance of making the grand finals in March'.



Budding Umpire

Fifth year pupil Ella W has been selected to umpire at the Regional Schools Netball Finals at the end of January. At a young age, Ella has done impressively well to pass her umpire award and to have been asked to umpire this prestigious event.

Congratulations Ella!

Diary Dates

Monday 25 November

Drama: Whole School Play - This Sceptered Isle dress rehearsal, Burrell, 9.00am

Careers: Healthcare Careers Fair Trip, RCH Treliske, 9.15am

Hockey: Girls U13A, U12A, v Truro High School for Girls (H), 1600

Tuesday 26 November

Hockey: Girls U14A vs Regional Finals, (A) Millfield School, 10.45

Netball: Girls U13A, U12A vs Cornwall Sports Partnership Festival, (A) Penryn College 12.00pm

Ten Tors: Training, Outdoor Pursuits Area, 1600

Drama: Whole School Play - This Sceptered Isle Performance, Burrell Theatre, 1930

Wednesday 27 November

Football: Fixtures Boys U12A vs tbc, (H) 9.00am

Football: Fixtures 1st XI vs Callywith, (A) 1400

Hockey: Fixtures Girls U15A vs Penair School (A) 1530

Netball: Fixtures Girls U16A, U15A, U14A, U13A, U12A vs Helston Community College, (A) 1530

Rugby Union Fixtures: Boys U15A, U14A vs Penrice Acadamy, (H) 1545



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Annual Truro City of Lights



The dark winter's sky lit up on Wednesday at the annual City of Lights parade through Truro City Centre.

The rain held off throughout the entirety of the parade as the Prep and Senior pupils united to walk the route, showing off their impressive creations.

This year's theme was 'Under the Clock Tower' and Truro School pupils interpreted this as Truro in a by gone age where it was a busy port, and sailing ships were a common site at Lemon Quay.

The mighty galleon lead the way for the Truro School group, followed by its mini fleet. Spectators pointed and exclaimed as the glowing galleon sailed by.



Diary Dates

Geology: Lower Sixth field trip, Rinsey Head, 9.00am

Drama: Whole School Play - This Sceptered Isle Performance, Burrell Theatre, 1930

Thursday 28 November

Hockey: Fixtures Boys U16A vs County Tournament, (H) 12.00pm

Rugby: Union Fixtures Boys U12A vs Mount Kelly Boys U10A and Boys U12A vs Mount Kelly Boys U11A, (H) 1300

Netball: Fixtures U16A, U15A, U14A, U13A, U12A vs Penryn College, (H) 1600

2nd Year Parents: Parents' Evening, The Assembly Hall, 1630

Friday 29 November

Charity Day (non-uniform), All day

1st - 3rd Year: Head of Year Assembly, 1st Year (The Assembly Hall), 2nd Year (SBASC), 3rd Year (Chapel), 8.45am

4th Year- Sixth Form: Tutor Period, 8.45am

PSHEE: 4th Year RSE Workshop, The Assembly Hall, 9.15am

Art: 5th Year GCSE Mock examination, Art Department, 9.15am

Hockey: Fixtures Girls U12A vs Hockey Festival, Pool School, 11.00am



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Tony Bamford's blow out talk



GCSE and A-Level students attended an extra-curricular talk by Tony Bamford, on well control, blowout prevention and the 2010 disaster on the Deepwater Horizon oil rig in the Gulf of Mexico.

Before retiring, Tony worked as a Senior Drilling Engineer in the middle and far east, and moved on to setting up his own company to develop drilling and control

systems in the UK, US, and Brazil.

Tony's enthusiastic and fun approach had the students answering PHD level questions and deciphering expert level graphs.

Preperations for whole school play under way



Final preparations are well under way for next week's unmissable performance of The Sceptered Isle in which Shakespeare's eight English history plays are conflated into one epic storytelling feast charting a hundred years of turmoil. There's battles, coronations, murders and intrigue, not to mention several unforgettable characters. This is certainly one not to miss!

Performances run from Tuesday 26 –

Saturday 30 November and tickets are available via <https://www.minack.com/bookburrell/?bookid=2216>

In addition, we are also offering exciting seasonal 'pre-theatre suppers' with the Truro School Cookery Team for just £25 per person, including a matched glass of wine. Suppers can be ordered at time of booking tickets.

Diary Dates

Rugby: Union Fixtures Boys U18A vs Mount Kelly, Launceston Rugby, 1900

Drama: Whole School Play - This Sceptered Isle Performance, Burrell Theatre, 1930

Saturday 30 November

Ten Tors: 2nd Fitness Walk, Pendeen - St Ives, 8.30am

Rugby Union: Fixtures Boys U16A, U15A, U14A, U13A, U12A vs Mount Kelly, (H) 11.00am

Music: Boy Choristers and Upper Sixth Girl Choristers Monteverdi Vespers with St Mary's Singers rehearsal, Truro Cathedral, 13.15, performance 1930

Drama: Whole School Play - This Sceptered Isle matinee Performance, Burrell Theatre, 1400 and evening performance, 1930

Fencing: Fixtures Mixed U18A vs Eislingen, Cadet Nominated **tbc**

Sunday 1 December

Duke of Edinburgh Award: Gold Direct Entrant Orienteering training, Idless Woods, 10.00am **Cancelled**

Duke of Edinburgh Award: Silver Orienteering training, Idless Woods, 10.00am **Cancelled**

Fencing: Fixtures Mixed U18A vs LPJS, St Albans **tbc**



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Medical Pathways Mock Interviews



The Upper Sixth medical applicants recently took part in mock interviews to prepare for their upcoming interviews in to medical and



veterinary schools. The aim of the event is to test the students understanding of the profession, communication and problem



solving skills amongst others. These are all things that help to develop the students' interview skills.

Under 12 Rugby Festival at Liskeard



On a sunny but cold day at Liskeard, the currently undefeated U12 rugby team went into the East Festival full of confidence and they did not disappoint.

In 10 minute matches with no kicking allowed, the team were encouraged to play high tempo running rugby, which they did.

With a dominant forward pack at the ruck, Truro were able to have a lot of possession



and the backline excited throughout the day scoring some stunning team tries in the process.

With victories in the group stage over Roseland 6 (tries)-0, Liskeard 5-0 and Launceston 6-1, Truro went into the top seeded teams pool, containing Saltash, Newquay Treviglas and Sir James Smith who had all come top of their pool or best runner up. Truro then proceeded to play Newquay Treviglas winning 6-1,



Saltash 6-0 and Sir James Smith 5-1.

All the team were fantastic on the day and were excellent role models for the school. Congratulations to you all for what you achieved and we cannot wait to see what you achieve in the future.

Thank you to James Darling for the photographs: <https://www.jamesdarlingphotography.com/>



ShelterBox

Help us raise money for Shelterbox!

When? - Saturday 7th December

Where? - Truro School Cookery

What Time? - 19:00 - 21:30

Who? - Tickets available to all school parents and sixth former's over 18

How much? - £35 each with £10 from each ticket going directly to Shelterbox

Unwind at the weekend with drinks & dinner with a difference. Saturday at 7pm at Truro School Cookery means an aperitif, a three course meal with a matched glass of wine and the chance to try your hand at cooking the perfect steak.

The purpose of the evening is to raise awareness and funds for Shelterbox. There will be a talk from a Shelterbox volunteer in particular their new 'Shine' campaign which raises awareness of how in winter time there are shorter days but by having one of shelterbox's solar lights people can still carry on with their lives. ShelterBox's motto is 'light and shelter can allow people to recover and regain a sense of normality after disaster'. The £10 donation provides one solar light.

Menu

Beetroot cured salmon with fresh horseradish and Tribute bread

The perfect steak and accompaniments

Flaming Christmas Alaska

If you would like more information, have questions about the menu or would like to book a place contact;

Lily - 3HoldsworthL@truroschooL.com

AJ - ajt@truroschooL.com.

Tickets will be paid for on the night.





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Save the Date

FTS and Community Events



Autumn Term

Thursday 5 Dec [Truro School Senior Festive Wreath Making Event \(19h00 - 21h00\)](#)

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





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CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Thursday 12th December 2019, 7pm
Assembly Hall, Truro School

Free entry

Interval bar and pre-concert meals available from Truro School Cookery

Make an evening of it...

As you will know, Thursday 12 December is our sparkly and festive Christmas Concert.

Come along for a 7pm start in the Assembly Hall, and you will be entertained by our Symphony Orchestra, Wind Band, Junior Band, Senior and Junior Strings, Flute Choir, Oboe Ensemble, Saxophone and Clarinet Choirs, B Natural, Barbershop, Early Music Group and our new First Years singing.

As well as mulled wine & mince pies on arrival and a full interval bar, pre-concert meals will be available from Truro School Cookery.

Find out more here: www.truroschoolcookery.com/courses/christmas-concert-suppers

Mr Shepherd, Music Coordinator

Truro School Drama Presents

This Sceptered Isle

"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown"

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



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

7:30pm Burrell Theatre

Plus a 2pm matinee on Saturday 30 November

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



FTS Friends of
Truro School

Wreath Making Workshop

Thursday 5 December
7.00 - 9.00pm

£40 per person includes all materials, nibbles and a glass of something festive.

Tickets available via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/festive-wreath-making-evening-tickets-81628995523>



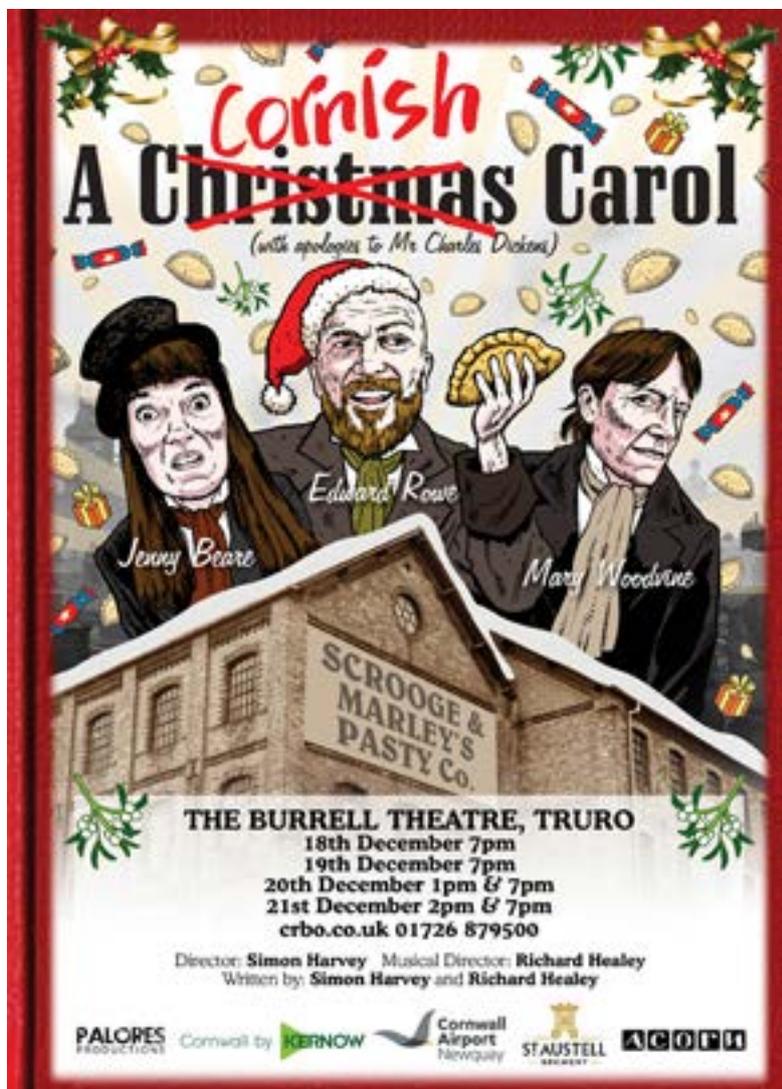
Charity exhibition in aid of Children's Hospice South West
 Kindly sponsored by Truro School and Palmares & Co Ltd LLP Solicitors



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Truro Art Exhibition | Heseltine Gallery | Truro School | Trennick Lane | Truro | TR1 1TH



An hour of stress free Pilates for you and your teen to take part in together.

Price - £16 per parent and teen pair, per class (total for Jan/Feb term £96)

Venue - Pilates Hub, Old Bakery Studios, Malpas Road, Truro, TR1 1QH

To book - email rosepilates@mail.com

1-2-1 Peripatetic Cricket Lessons



Head of cricket
Sean Hooper and
1st XI Head Coach
Gary Bone are
offering
1-2-1 cricket
lessons for pupils
of Truro School.

Sessions will be 40 minutes
on Tuesday mornings
between 8.20am and
11.40am.

If your child is interested in
attending, please contact
Mr Hooper via email:

sean@thecornishcricketcompany.co.uk
He can advise you of costs and available time slots.

Cricket Net Coaching Opportunities

The Cornish Cricket Company will
be running hard ball cricket net
sessions on Thursday evenings from
6-8pm
starting on
Thursday 21st November.

These are open to Truro School pupils as well as
cricketers from elsewhere and its expected that
the age range will be 8-18.

There will be a maximum of 32 places available to
work with the team of coaches.

For further details, contact:
sean@thecornishcricketcompany.co.uk
or message Sean on 07411523887

Early Morning Coaching

Between mid-
November and
Easter, we are
looking to run
early morning
coaching sessions
at school for
different age
groups.

There will be
further information
coming out in the
next week.

Christmas Gift Appeal 2019

Imagine you woke up on Christmas morning...
...and had no presents waiting under the tree...
YOU can help local children in need
have a Happy Christmas this year,
by simply donating one gift!



MAKE SURE YOUR GIFT IS:

- **NEW** CE marked Toys.
- Within the price range of £5-20
- For a child aged 0-16 years
- NOT DVD's as no players available.
- Preferably not wrapped, but if you choose to wrap it, then label with the appropriate gender and age



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

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

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Uniform Shop

Please note that the Uniform Shop will be closed on
Wednesday 4 December but will be open Tuesday 3
December instead from 12.00pm-5.00pm.

Thank you for your understanding.

IF I WERE A BLACKBIRD I'D WHISTLE AND SING
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Heseltine Gallery

18/10/19 - 27/11/19

Open Saturdays 10am-3pm and Wednesdays 5pm-8pm

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!



TRURO SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OPPORTUNITY



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The Truro School Association (TSA) are currently looking to recruit new, enthusiastic members to this long-standing Committee.

Headmaster, Andrew Gordon-Brown, current TSA President and Rachel Vaughan CO98, current Chair of the TSA and Teacher at Truro School, are eager to hear from anyone within our alumni community who might be interested in joining the TSA Committee and especially those who are alumni but also now parents of Truro School children.

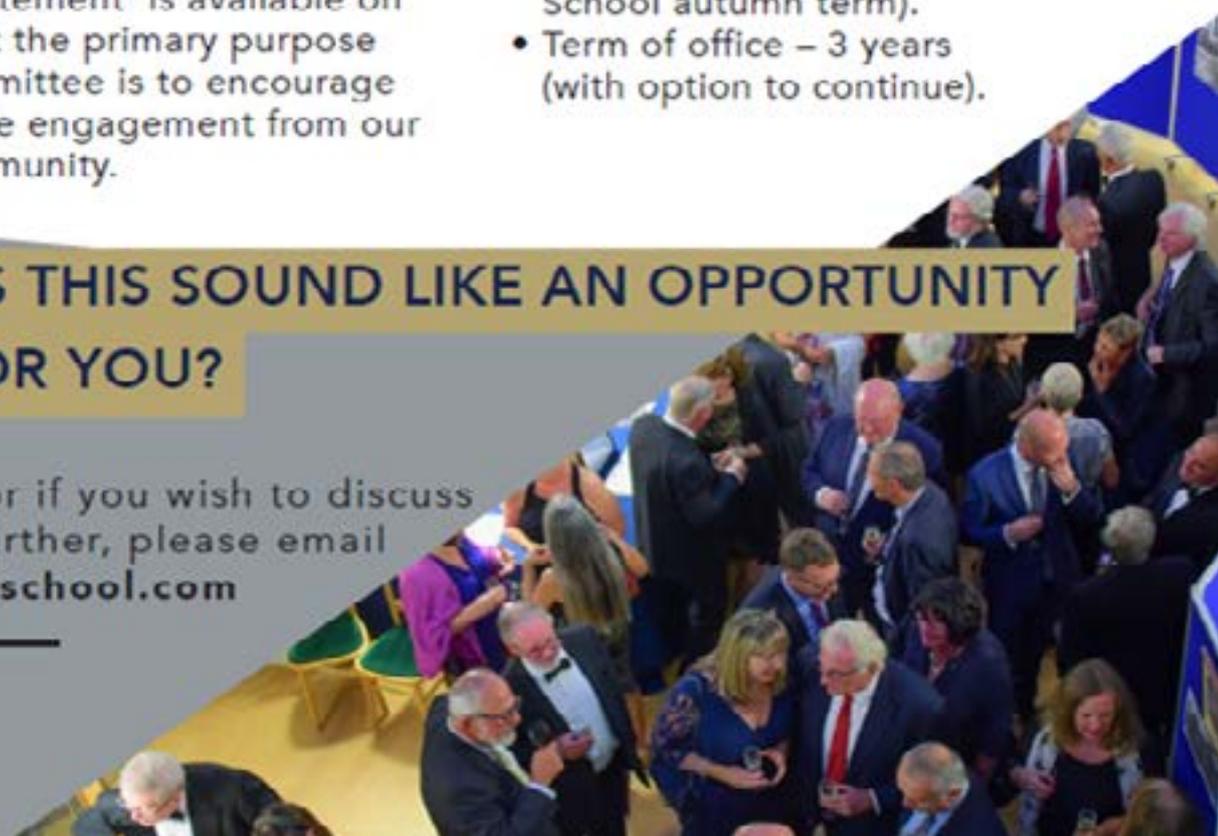
To be eligible you must be a former pupil of Truro School. The TSA 'Mission Statement' is available on request, but the primary purpose of this Committee is to encourage and promote engagement from our alumni community.

This is by no means an onerous role – it entails:

- 3 x TSA Committee meetings per year (1 per term) – offering ideas to help, encourage and support our alumni community including new event suggestions.
- 1 AGM per year.
- Assisting (minimal) with the Annual Reunion sporting events and attending the Annual Reunion Dinner (always 1st Saturday of the School autumn term).
- Term of office – 3 years (with option to continue).

**DOES THIS SOUND LIKE AN OPPORTUNITY
FOR YOU?**

To apply or if you wish to discuss the role further, please email tsa@truroschoo.com



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."