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Changes (Communicate, Cooperate and Celebrate)

This week's assembly with Sarah Patterson is available to view on the link below.

[Click here to watch it](#)



Truro Prep School Chapel - Week 6

[Click here to watch it](#)



Coronavirus Emergency Bursary Fund

Our Coronavirus Emergency Bursary Fund is up and running. The current situation has had a huge impact on every family and individual in different ways, and we are proud to be part of a community that supports each other and those around us. All donations to the fund will be used to help the families who cannot manage their School Fee payments due to the crisis. This Fund is being administered by the Truro School Foundation, therefore attracting gift aid and tax relief. If you are able to help, you can do this by following the link below.

We very much hope that all the steps we are taking will enable the Truro School community to be together again as soon as possible and thank you very much indeed for any contribution you are able to make.

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EMERGENCY FUND
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Pond Ecosystems



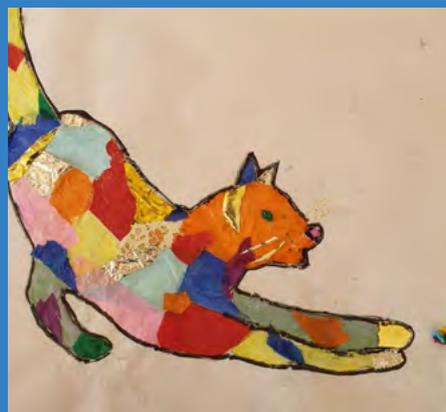
Henry in Year 4 has been studying the ecosystems within his family pond (which they have been working on during lockdown).

From his observations, he has drawn this wonderful picture as part of his work on food chains. Great work Henry!



DT Prints

This week we have received some really beautiful prints from DT





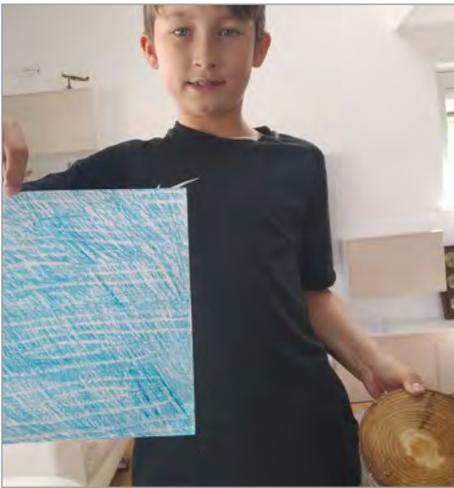
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Learning about nature

Growing vegetables for wildlife, caring about nature and playing with trees' activities: bark rubbing, telling the age of a tree and working out the height of a tree. These are just some of the outdoor lessons the Prep have been taking part in this term.

Read more online > <https://www.truroschoo.com/category/latest-news/>





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Amazing work - well done all of you!





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Year 4 have been learning about coastal erosions including a virtual trip to Perranporth beach before making their own 3D models.

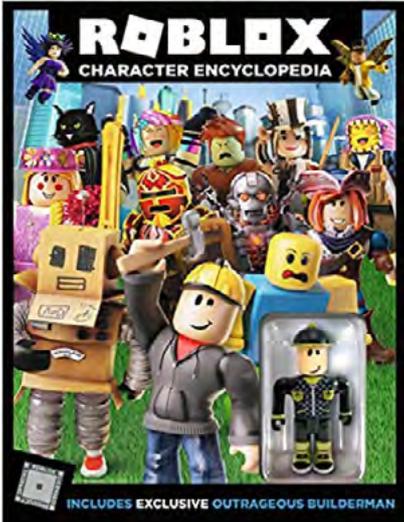


Wow, great tank!





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Dear Parents,

We have been informed by the D&C Police Online Safety Dept. of a concern surrounding the popular online game ROBLOX.

This platform and game creation system allows users to design their own games and play a wide variety of different games created by other users.

There appears to be an emerging trend for young children who are playing on the ROBLOX app to be contacted by other game players when within the game. Please be aware that these other users do not have to be confirmed friends, anyone within that game can contact another player.

Some parents might not be aware of this ability for in game communication

as it is text rather than chat, with no obvious history to trace once the game is ended.

Obviously the game is a popular one amongst children of our school age range and it allows for important social interaction which is sadly lacking at this time for many, so we are not suggesting the banning of the game. Rather this is just a reminder to you to check in with your children who might be playing the game (and any other on line game), as a matter of good practice and to talk through their use of the games with you.

If you would like to discuss this further please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Issaka or Mrs Ellis -Walker.



FRIENDS OF TRURO SCHOOL PRESENT

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 23 May, 8.00pm

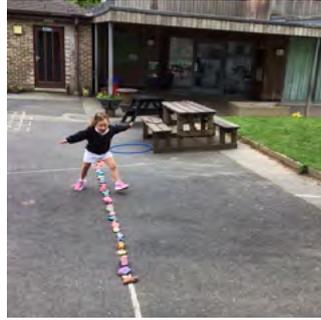
Email FTS@truroschoo.com for the Zoom codes
For all parents, staff (and older children)



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The rainbow line...

The children painted rocks and stones to represent an ongoing 'rainbow' 'thank you' to their parents and carers for the exceptional work that they do. The children were thrilled to do this and excited to hide them within the grounds of the school. A lovely reminder of hope.



The children have been able to nurture and observe sunflowers and Lupins grow! Daisy and Greta were encouraged to clear an area of soil in the plant container along the side of our playground, digging, and exploring the texture of the soil, taking out stones and describing how it felt. The plants provided were irresistible sensory gems; pinpoints of different smells, shades of green, hairy stems and soft leaves. We discussed taking care of the plants, watering them and helping them to grow.



QUARANTINE CONTEST



Dear Students, Parents and Old Truronians,

Welcome to Week 4 of the Competition!

Thank you so much for all your wonderful entries to last week's competition – we had so many entries, and Alex alone had nearly 80 to judge from!

This week there are 4 new competitions, as well as the Hall of Fame. All entries will win house points, so every entry counts, no matter how big or small!

Send your entry to the email address by the title of the competition along with your **House** and **Year group**. You can enter as many different competitions as you like, but please only enter **one piece per competition**.

Parents (and Staff!) are welcome to enter too- please send your entry to us with your name as well as your child's details so we can add your points to the house totals.

Every week there will be 4 new competitions, so please make sure that we have your entry by 6:00pm on Sunday 31st May!

Good luck!

Georgia, Alex, Lily and Ollie

Every entry wins a house point for their house! In addition to this, 1st Place wins 5 points, 2nd Place wins 3 points, 3rd Place wins 2 further points for their house. *(We'll be taking your year group and age into account!)*

HOUSE TOTALS:



70.5



74



63



69.5

Please make sure you tell us what house you are in when sending in your entries!!

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE HALL OF FAME AND DETAILS OF CONTEST NO.5](#)



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“CORNWALL HUGS CARE WORKERS”

The charity Cornwall Hugs builds upon the experience of arranging nearly 500 respite stays for those affected by the Grenfell Tower Fire, to address this latest need, by connecting Care Workers with those offering help. Accommodation providers can register on a dedicated Cornwall Hugs website making it clear whether the offer is freely given; in return for basic costs or at a reduced rent. Care Workers will also then be able to register their need on the new portal: www.cornwallhugs.org

Esme Page, Founder of Cornwall Hugs said: ‘Cornwall hugged Grenfell with wide open arms. Now we need to ‘hug’ our own front-line Care Workers, with practical help: a safe haven when they need it most!’

Cornwall Hugs is urgently seeking funding to coordinate activities both from grant bodies and from individual donors via Just Giving: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/CornwallHugsCareWorkers>

Esme continued, “We’d like to say a huge thank you to the Truro School families involved in volunteering now - some wonderful professional expertise being offered - and to those who have offered accommodation via the portal: www.cornwallhugs.org. One of those is Towan Valley Resort who also supported us so fabulously for the Grenfell appeal.

“Two weeks after launching the temporary emergency accommodation portal for Cornwall’s care Workers, we’ve had a fabulous response from accommodation providers with over 120 units offered up and down the county (see map). We opened registration to Care Workers last Friday and are starting to place the first carers to accommodation offered. Unlike NHS employees, there is no provision for Care Workers when they need to move out of home to protect vulnerable loved ones but continue in their vital posts. Cornwall has over 15,500 Care Workers and they are, as we are hearing all the time, very much on the front-line. So this practical provision (a repurposing of our Cornwall Hugs Grenfell systems), is aimed at reducing virus spread, protecting Care Workers’ families and enabling them to continue in post which is key for the 300+ Care Homes in Cornwall, given that staffing levels are currently down by 15% in the sector.”



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Cub Camp May Half Term – Sunday 24 May

Hi Parents and Carers

We had hoped to be able to run a Cub Camp in the May Half Term before COVID-19

So, in order not to miss out – we thought we'd run a "virtual" overnight Cub Camp.

It can be outside in a tent, a den or bivouac, on their own or as a family or with siblings. Or it can be also an indoor camp, under blankets or sheets.

Collectively we are suggesting the camp takes place on Sunday 24 May (but it can be any time). This is so we can run a 'zoom campfire' at 7pm on Sunday evening with some singing led by Baloo. Maybe you can have your own campfire, or perhaps sit around a chimenea, or fire pit. And if you think it's possible, hot chocolate always goes down well under the stars and a camp blanket!

Some ideas of activities to undertake on camp – they are not compulsory, but can go towards various badges and will give the Cubs something to tell their friends what they did.

1. Make a Sundial (<https://www.wikihow.com/Build-a-Temporary-Sundial>)
2. Make shadow puppets with your hands (either outside) as the sunrises – or inside a tent with a torch (or under a sheet). Make up a story. Or draw a shadow picture in the early morning.
(Make a jellyfish, dinosaur, Cat, A camel, make a
3. Set up an organised tent space so that you know where everything is in the dark – Our Outdoors badge
4. Practice doing a task in the dark, like tying a shoelace, or putting toothpaste on your toothbrush
5. Make a kite – fly a kite
6. Make a stick bird feeder
7. Make a wind chime
8. Make a mouse house
9. Make a mini raft

We would like the Cubs to get organised and show they can independently set up a tidy sleeping space, with torch handy and able to settle themselves.

Hopefully see you then, if not before
Squirrel Tina



Shadow drawing



Shadow hand puppets



How to Make Sundials for Kids