



Friday Bulletin

1 MAY 2020: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES



This week's video update comes from Emma Ellison, Deputy Head (Pastoral)

The Headmaster has spoken over the past few weeks about our need to change and be adaptable. Our school has shown its resilience and positive attitude to enable us to meet the challenges of remote learning and still be a functioning community.

At the core of our pastoral care is the important relationships we have with our pupils and parents and, from the beginning, our tutor teams have been determined to hold onto their links with their tutor groups.

The miles between each tutor group seem to disappear every morning at 8.45 when they come together as a group to check in with each other, share news and work through any concerns. But most importantly, to have some fun and enjoy being in each other's company.

It has been a pleasure to watch the tutor teams adapting to our new world and being creative in the ways they interact with their form groups.

There have been many highlights from Dr Spring's Fastest Finger in the West (Country) quiz through to Mr Baker posting a daily riddle to solve. Miss Husband has been get her tutor group to think about the following question;

"If you discover a beautiful island where you decided to put a new society, what is the first rule you would put in place?"

There were lots of great answers about protecting the environment but one of my favourites was "be kind, because kindness is everything."

We are seeing the kindness in the way all pupils are interacting in the posts and the positive way they are supporting each other.

Our community is strong and stays together because we care. Stay safe and look after each other.

Click here to view the full update

Truro School Updates

We continue to monitor the response to coronavirus and continue to follow the advice and guidance of Public Health England.

Click here to visit our Virtual Truro School website pages

House Competitions

This week's deadline is 6.00pm on Sunday 3 May

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!)

Current points:

			
18	19	16	17

All entries win house points, so every entry counts, no matter how big or small.

Click on the image above for more information.

Good luck!

Georgia, Alex, Lily and Ollie

Student Challenge

Stan, George and Finn are attempting a challenge supporting the Nationwide National Emergencies Trust. Over this Saturday and Sunday they aim to run 60km in 6 hours, running 10 km each, a day. All donations will be going to the charity, fundraising page:

<https://www.dowhatyoucan.net/3-boys-60k-6-hours>

Thank you for your support



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5th Year and Upper Sixth Academic Enrichment Programme

With the A Level and GCSE course consolidation scheduled to end this week, we are pleased to share the details of our academic enhancement and enrichment programmes for the summer term, to commence on Monday 4th May.

The cancellation of summer public examinations has led to disappointment and uncertainty for staff, students and parents alike. However, as we approach the time that students would normally stop attending school to go on supported study leave, we have an excellent opportunity to prepare our students for their next steps in ways that have not been possible before. Our teaching staff have, with enthusiasm, been putting together

an academic programme that will inspire, stretch and prepare students as they advance to the next stages of their education or careers. The teachers are excited to be able to demonstrate some of their expertise that we cannot normally cover under the constraints of the public exam syllabi. They are skills focussed and will give each student a head start whether that be studying A Levels, university degrees or entering the world of work.

[Click here to find out more](#)



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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The Lockdown Project

Art, Drama, DT and Music have collaborated to put on a very exciting large-scale, cross-curricular Lockdown Project.

Culminating in a big Arts Expo Week in September, where they will present all the pupils' work, this is a fantastic opportunity to reflect on and represent the current situation through creativity.

Watch the video to find out more...



[Click here to watch The Creativists](#)



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International Dance Day



Wednesday was 'International Dance Day', a global celebration of dance. To help celebrate the importance of dance, our Psychology Department put together a little video which is available to view on Moodle.

In case you missed it...



This week's service from Rev. Aubin de Gruchy is available to view on the link below.

[Click here to watch it](#)



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Healthcare professionals discuss the impact that Covid-19 is having on their career and the NHS

On Wednesday we had the first of a series of interviews with frontline healthcare professionals about the impact that Covid-19 is having on their daily work, their career and the NHS. Dr Callum Waldie, former Truro School pupil, now junior doctor at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, shared with a group of pupils details of his training and career to date.

It was fascinating and inspiring to hear of the commitment he has to his vocation and of the role he is playing to help those suffering from Covid-19.

Every Wednesday there is an opportunity for 3rd Years and above to join to hear from other health professionals.

Professional sailor joins live chat



We were honoured to welcome professional sailor Richard Mason to a live discussion with 22 of our pupils. Richard has competed in Olympic classes, solo offshore events, and is currently part of Sir Ben Ainslie’s SailGP team’s F50, with whom he won the Sydney Sail GP series last month.

During the talk, Richard offered advice and answered a number of questions from the pupils, led by Sixth Form student Henry.

Henry commented, “Today we heard from Richard Mason, currently a grinder onboard the GB SailGP team’s F50. It was really inspirational to hear from somebody so enthusiastic about their sport. Richard’s main message was that commitment, dedication and more importantly, enjoyment in the sport are the key ingredients for success. Richard also proves that it is possible to pursue sailing as a career alongside

academic study. We are very fortunate that he was able to speak to us today!”

The session was organised by Jasmine Husband, who commented, “It was fantastic to hear Richard Mason share his experience of crewing for Ben Ainslie and competing at the very highest level of the sport. So many brilliant pieces of advice for the next generation of talented sailors, including: follow your own pathway in the sport – “do what you love doing in the sport and the opportunities will present themselves”; ensure that you plan ahead around the race course to prevent any rash decisions; and visualise different scenarios so that you are prepared for all eventualities in races.”

A huge thank you to Richard for joining us and to the pupils for their interesting questions!



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More heartwarming pictures: DT Face Masks



Maria's summer cheesecake made a little more topical, details will be loaded onto moodle next week

More heartwarming pictures have been sent in from around the community.

The sender said: "I attach some photos of the staff who have benefited from the masks and please know that these have made a huge difference to how protected they feel. Can you please pass on our heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in producing these. Do not underestimate how valuable they are and how grateful we are.

"My husband works as an Occupational therapist for a local authority and him and his team are out working in the community with people who been discharged from hospitals."

A massive thank you from all of us at Truro School goes to all the key workers who continue to work through these challenging circumstances to help keep us all safe.

1st Year creations

Before lockdown the 1st Years were challenged to make a piece of clothing from unexpected materials. They created them over the Easter holidays and these are just a few of their excellent creations.



For the coat I first took the dark blue and green Bags for Life and unpicked the stitching to get the material from them. After that I used a coat that I already had and copied the pattern. I then cut out the logos and arranged the pieces so that I could cut out the different bits using the pattern.

