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It's official, Truro School is the leading school for DofE activity in the SW



A record-breaking year of DofE activity sees Truro School pupils awarded the highest number of awards across all schools in the South West.

The annual Statistical Review reports on all DofE activity across the South West and confirmed Truro School's position as the leading school in the South West, with a total of 169 pupils completing their respective Award. In addition, a certificate presented to the School from the DofE South West Director states that Truro School participants spent a total of 2756 hours learning a skill, 2925 hours of physical activity and 2795 hours (equivalent to £12,158 social value) spent volunteering to help others in the local community.

Across the South West, the number of young people taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award keeps growing; demand for the programme is increasing and as a result more young people are achieving an Award and, through the process, developing vital life skills that will help them in their future careers.

These fantastic results reflect the incredible hard work and commitment of the Truro School DofE Coordinator, Outdoor Pursuits team and everyone involved in supporting and delivering the DofE programme.

[Click here to read in full](#)

"I have enjoyed all aspects of the DofE awards. The best part of each has been the expedition because it's a shared experience with your group and we have a lot of fun together. The ultimate highlight of my DofE experience was the incredible expedition to Slovenia. Our group had a brilliant time and we now have memories that will last a lifetime. As a group we became closer and regularly bring up the fact that one of our group members realised when we got onto the bus that he left his boots at home! Another fond memory from the trip was when my best friend presented me with a birthday cake and cards from my family which she had carried so we could celebrate my birthday properly at the end of the first day.

I feel proud of myself that I have completed all three awards. It gives me a great sense of achievement. I would strongly recommend doing any of the DofE Awards – you will learn new skills, you will learn a lot about yourself and how to deal with situations which take you out of your comfort zone. The DofE staff have been incredibly supportive and have made the last few years fun and enjoyable."

Connie



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Evie becomes a published writer



2nd Year Evie has received the fantastic news that her short story has been chosen for publication in a book showcasing young adults' work.

The book, called SOS Sagas – Missing – Tales from the UK, features mini sagas (just 100 words long) on the theme of 'missing'.

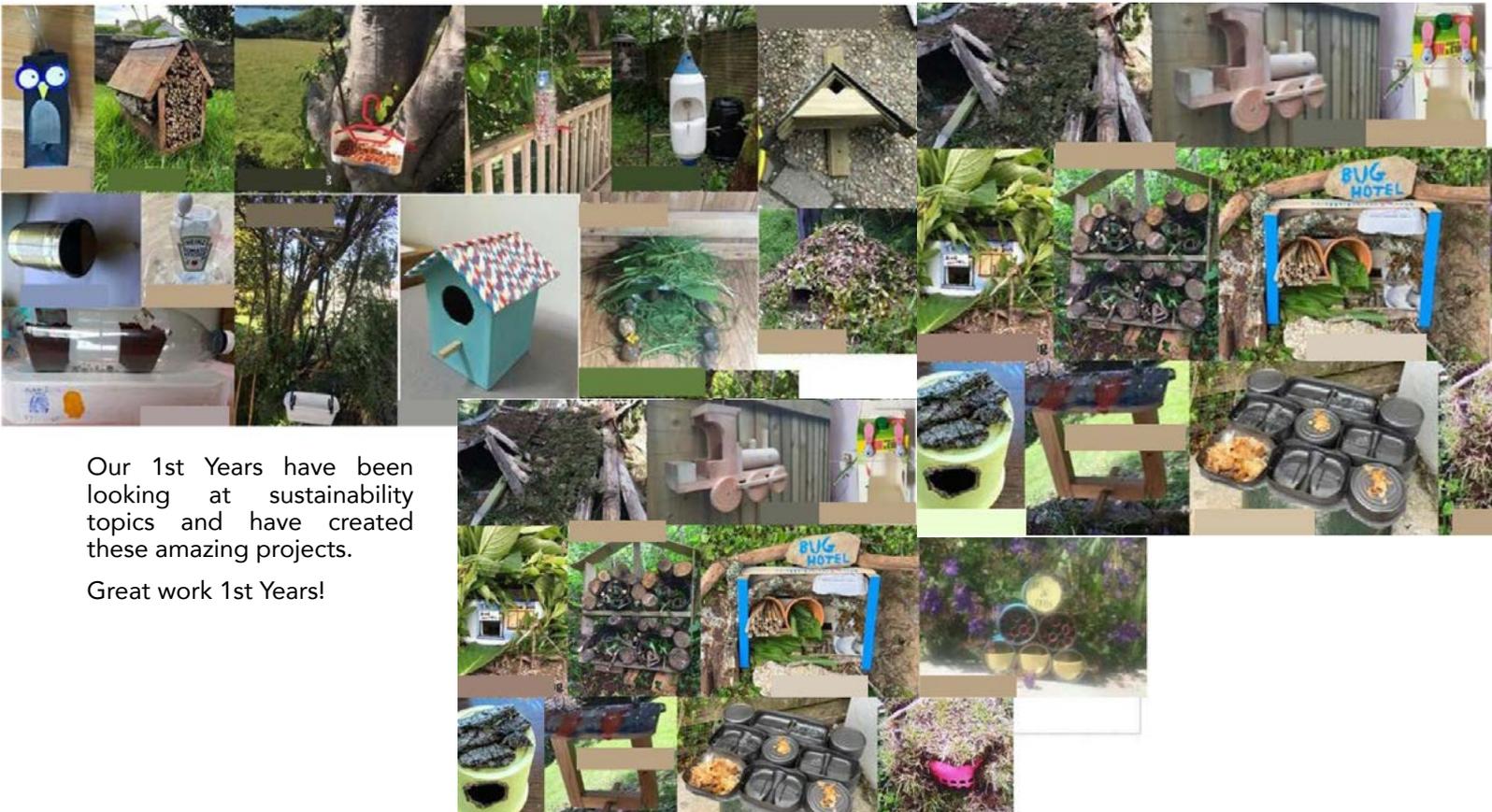
Packed full of tension and suspense, Evie's mini-saga has been selected from over 6,000 entries nationwide.

Jasmine Husband, who runs the school book club, which Evie attends, commented:

"Evie has done exceptionally well to have her short story chosen for publication. A brilliant achievement! It is the start of what could be a really exciting journey for Evie's writing".

We look forward to reading the book once it has been published later in the year.

1st Year sustainability projects



Our 1st Years have been looking at sustainability topics and have created these amazing projects.

Great work 1st Years!



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Sporting Interviews



This week we welcomed back former Head Boy Finn Birnie, to talk to our students about his running exploits and how he is finding life at Belmont University. Finn has represented England at age group levels in cross country running and received a full scholarship to study and run at Belmont University, located in Nashville Tennessee. Speaking about life at Truro School, Finn encouraged our pupils to grasp all the opportunities that we have at our school, and provided an insight of what it takes to

become Head Boy.

Finn also had praise for his teachers, Mrs Stone, Ms Wormald and Mr Barnett. Finn also went on to give special thanks to Mr Austin and Mrs Jupp, for being supportive in his running and university quests.

Later in the interview, Finn spoke about the amazing facilities available to him at Belmont and described the training methods he now utilises. Students were then able to ask questions on training programmes, recovery and Finn's favourite places to run in Cornwall.

I thoroughly enjoyed speaking with Finn and the range of topics discussed will no doubt be of great interest to our pupils and Old Truronians. We wish Finn the very best with his running and studies and look forward to welcoming him back to Truro School soon.

Mr Sanderson

Watch this interview, along with the others by [clicking here.](#)

Charity efforts

1H have been really busy since the start of half term working on charity events. Many pupils decided to collect for the Foodbank in their local communities and they are also planning a sponsored run/cycle/walk and are currently being very active collecting sponsors.





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Louis selected to represent England



One of our top squash players, Louis M has been selected to represent England at U17s level for a fitness match against Malaysia.

You can follow the match at using the Twitter link below:
<https://twitter.com/BOUNXsport/status/1269927545304203264?s=20>

The event happens at 1pm on Saturday and is led by Malaysian Nicol David (voted the best female player ever). We look forward to following it!

Kenning Riddles

Mrs Newton tasked her her tutor group to come up with Kenning Riddles, this is the combined result:

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| Life stealer | World surfer |
| Garden pleaser | Friend crusher |
| Lunch Halter | Wave rider |
| World Healer | Awareness spreader |
| School snatcher | Freedom hunter |
| Pollution stopper | Charity raiser |
| Happiness swallower | World pauser |
| Family bringer | Life saver |
| Virus killer | Summer planter |
| Time bringer | Friend stealer |
| Lunch halter | Wilderness explorer |
| Flower springer | Green sprouter |
| Emotion mixer | |
| Environment healer | |
| Life encloser | |



**FTS
PRESENT**

**Quiz
Night**

**Saturday 20 June
8.00pm**

**Email
FTS@truroschoo.com
for the Zoom codes**

For all parents, staff
(and older children)

The last two FTS virtual quizzes have been a great success with many families joining in, including grandparents and staff, from across the schools.

Following on from this success, the FTS is pleased to announce that it is hosting another Virtual Quiz Night on Saturday 20 June at 8pm.

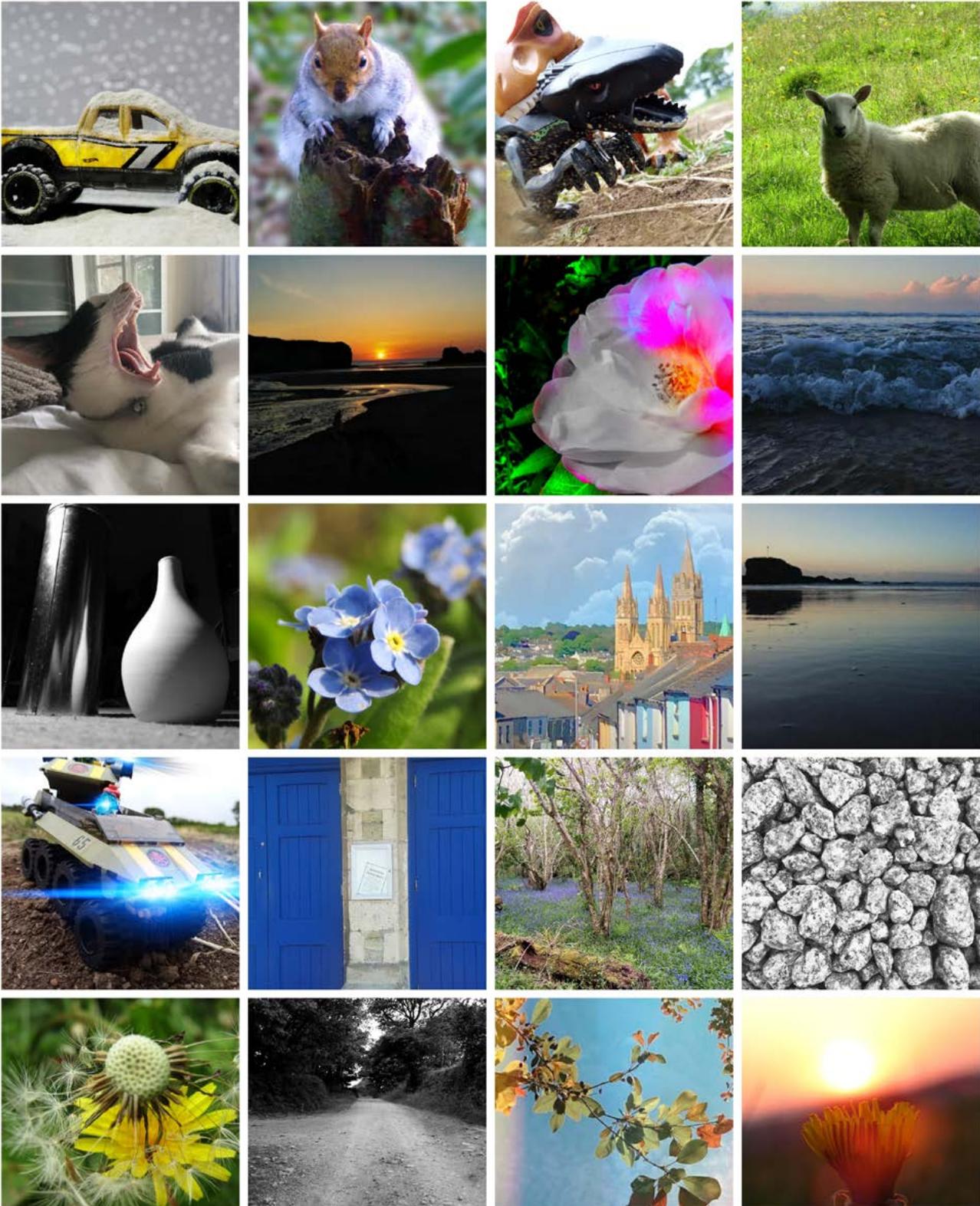
Don't forget to bring your own snacks and we look forward to seeing you there!



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Wednesday Afternoon Photography

As part of our WAA programme, Mr Picton has been running a photography group. Studying composition, geometric shapes, depth of field, 'Life in Lockdown', black and white and action props, the group have produced some wonderful work.





Virtual Rainbow Run

Saturday 20 - Sunday 21 June



The Truro School boarders would like to invite you to join them in this year's Virtual Rainbow Run.

Simply complete 5k your way and help spread more rainbows by wearing the brightest colours possible. Whether you rock a tie-dye tee, get crazy with hair colours or go fully fledged rainbow warrior with flashy face paint, get colourful and creative at home.

Donate at > <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/truroschoo>



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'Grenfell From Today' to be used in Grenfell's Multi-Faith Online Vigil this Sunday, 6pm



This year marks three years since Grenfell Tower Fire killed 72 people. Usually thousands gather for ceremonies at the base of the tower in W11. This year there will be an Online Vigil and Grenfell United (the survivors and bereaved) have chosen to use the song of solidarity, 'Grenfell From Today', recorded by the choristers in 2018, as part of this ceremony.

It's likely that this vigil will be very widely viewed by the London community and beyond. The ceremonies are very moving and I think this one will be a rich cultural experience for any Cornish children. The wonderful words by Andrew Longfield are particularly poignant in the light of recent news.

Grenfell United's Multi-Faith Online Vigil is at 6pm on Sunday 14 June, including Grenfell From Today, and will be broadcast and viewable afterwards here: [youtube.com/grenfellunited](https://www.youtube.com/grenfellunited)

The vigil will begin at 6pm with a 72 bell toll across 80 London churches including St Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey. This will be echoed by some churches in Cornwall including All Saints Higher Town, Truro and St Pol de Leon, Paul (Mousehole) and we're hoping a few more who can safely join. After this will be the reading of the 72 names and the continuation of the vigil, including the Grenfell From Today video.

No-one could have foreseen how significant it would be to have this musical cairn, this year, when physical ceremonies can't take place. It's very special and a credit to the sensitivity of Philip Stopford (music), Andrew Longfield (lyrics), Paul Caddis (video), everyone involved

in the production (including Icon Audio and several TCC volunteers), the choir's pastoral staff and, of course, Christopher Gray, Joseph Wicks and the choristers, that the survivors and bereaved feel the song expresses something of what they want to say at this time.

About Grenfell From Today

The song of solidarity 'Grenfell From Today' was written by Philip Stopford and Andrew Longfield for the charity Cornwall Hugs which provides respite holidays for those affected. It was recorded by the choristers of Truro Cathedral Choir, directed by Christopher Gray, for the first anniversary of the fire in 2018 and released with a video of survivors, shot on location in Cornwall, Kensington and New York and directed by Paul Caddis. The video features a remembrance ceremony at sea, held for Cornwall Hugs by the charity's partner, RNLI Penlee Lifeboat in 2018.

The song 'Grenfell From Today' was released at the first anniversary of the fire and inspired a world-wide act of musical solidarity and remembrance. The sheet music was released freely by Philip and Andrew and the song was sung by over 6,000 voices in hundreds of cathedral and community choirs from Auckland to Minneapolis, Buenos Aires to Moscow. It was released as a single by Universal Music, reaching No 2 in iTunes Classic Songs. The single cover was designed by Jon Stubbington.

All those involved gifted their time and skills to the project. More info, TV coverage, pictures, words etc here: <https://www.cornwallhugsgrenfell.org/>

'Between the Takes' - catching breathe during filming of GFT. Photo by Claire Wilson, LLE Photography





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In case you missed it...



Senior School Chapel Service

[Click here to watch this week's chapel service](#)

"Nick Sissons, the chaplain at Rydal Penrhos, passed the following to me. The video from Playing for Change, uses music to challenge some of the racial prejudices and discrimination around the world by bringing together musicians from many different countries - you'll see what I mean from the video.

They specifically sent this song 'A Better Place' to their members as a response to George Floyd's death."

Rev. Aubin de Gruchy

It had this preface:

Dear Playing For Change Family,

We stand in solidarity against the inequitable treatment and oppression of the Black community.

We stand in love against the bigotry and hatred of white supremacy.

We stand in anger against the continuing and systemic racism that plagues the United States and many countries around the world.

Let us learn from our wrongs.

Let us recompense and make right.

Let us make this a better place.

To be silent is to be complicit.

We will use our voices to drown out this hatred together.

One Love

Great music with an important message!



[Click here to listen to the song.](#)



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Truro School Cookery Father's Day Chocolate Fudge Cake Kit

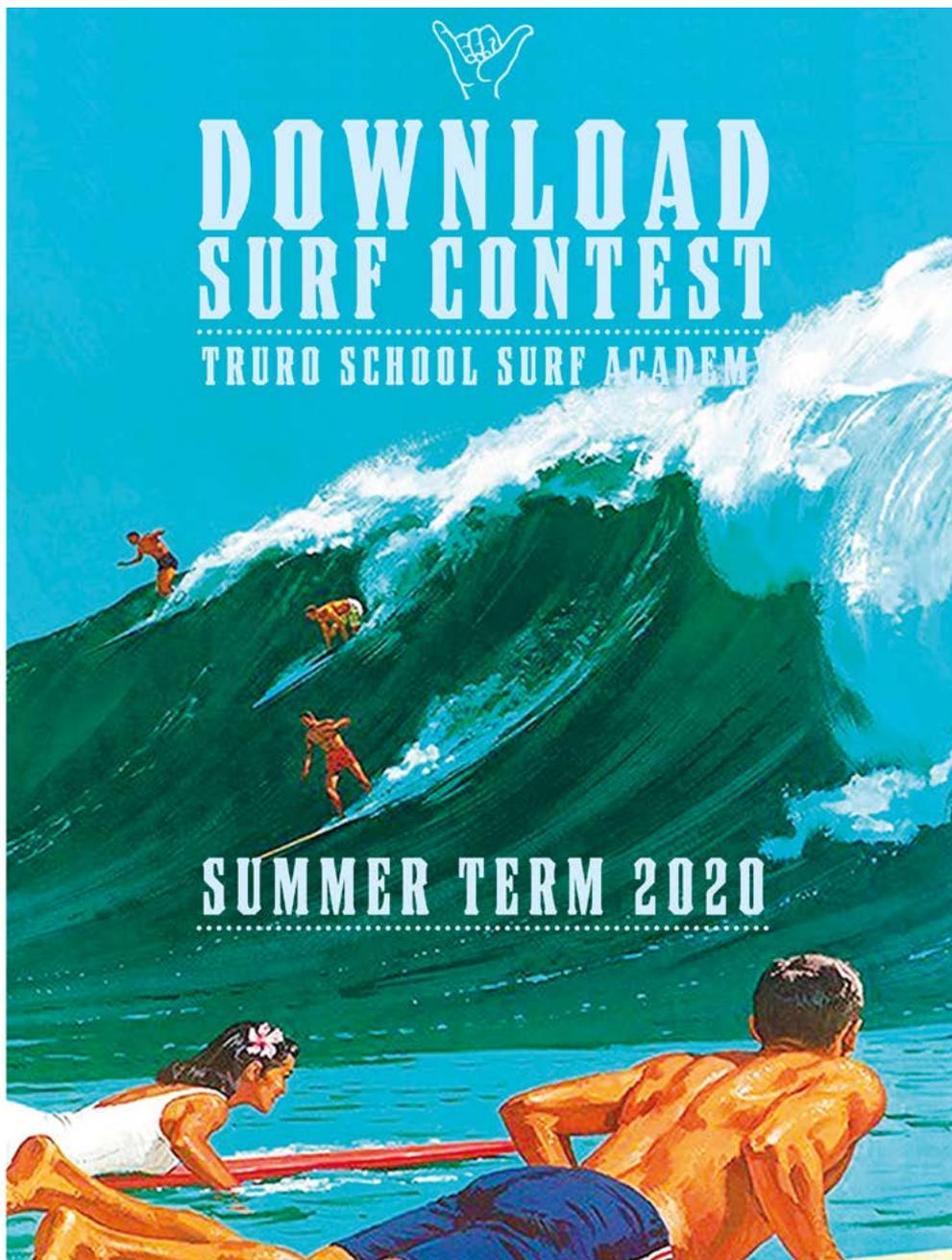


Let Truro School Cookery help you with the perfect Father's Day present this year.

For £12.50 you can order a kit of all the ingredients and instructions you will need to make and decorate your Dad the ultimate Chocolate Fudge cake at home. We will even post a video to follow on our Instagram and Facebook pages.

Head over to <https://truroschooookery.com/cookery-courses-cornwall/> and place your order by 6 pm on Wednesday 17 June. Your kit will be ready to collect from the cookery school at a pre-arranged time on Friday 19, giving you plenty of time to create the perfect Father's Day gift ready for Sunday morning.

If you think your Dad deserves an extra special treat this year, you could even order a 'Friday Night In' cookery kit at the same time which you can keep safely in the fridge until Sunday. The starter and dessert is all ready to serve and the main course just needs a little final preparation and finishing at home so you can surprise your Dad with a Father's Day to remember.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MR MEADS: djm@truroschoo.com

PLEASE make sure that you go to a lifeguarded beach and that you have checked where it is safe to surf.

Make sure that your parents are happy for you to surf. **PLEASE STAY SAFE.**

SPORTS DAY SURFING COMPETITION!

Running until Friday 19 June, submit your videos via moodle for Mr Meads and Mr Smith to judge. All are welcome, rules and guidance below. Remember to include your name and House!

Rules:

1. All students from every year group can enter as long as they are filmed by their parents.
2. You can body surf, belly board, board surf.
2. Film your waves during one chosen surf session within the time frame.
3. Two of your best waves have to be chosen and down loaded to the Moodle Surf Academy on Wednesday Afternoon Activity page.
4. Be safe and sensible!

Points are given for:

Body surfing - Length of ride in seconds from catching the wave to stopping.

Boogie board - Catching a wave, manoeuvres, use of the wave.

Hard board - Catching and standing up, turns, use of the wave.

Each wave will be marked out of 10, with the most points you can score for the competition being 20.