



Friday Bulletin

2 OCTOBER 2020: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES

Truro School Steering Groups

You will be aware that we set up a Covid Steering Group at the start of term to bring together key staff to ensure our planning for and response to the pandemic was ongoing and agile. Updates from this Group are published every week in this bulletin.

I am delighted to announce today that we will this term be setting up three other Steering Groups to bring staff and wider stakeholders together for the ongoing evolution of the school. The first is an Equal Opportunities and Anti-Racism Steering Group. It is right and fitting that this group begins its work in Black History Month and builds on the engagement of the school last term with the Black Lives Matter movement.

The second is a Sixth Form Diploma Steering Group whose remit is to explore ways to further enhance our Sixth Form educational experience (academically and otherwise) for pupils entering the Sixth Form from September 2021.

Lastly is a Digital Strategy and Communications Steering Group that will work on not simply our resources and technology use, but how we can capitalise on and ensure coherence in how we communicate and use technology going forwards.

In due course, these groups will invite and welcome input from stakeholders beyond the staff team, including pupils, parents and the wider community. I am very excited about the recommendations that will emerge and the impact on our future development next year and beyond. I am also very appreciative of all who volunteer their time and expertise to help drive the school forwards in these ways.

Mr A Johnson
Head, Truro School



Assembly- Are rules important?

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

[Click here to watch it](#)

Diary Dates

There are no scheduled diary dates for week beginning Monday 5 October.

Covid Steering Group

This week the committee has produced a 'Hybrid Learning' document which can be found on page 6 and 7 or online. You can also view Covid Bulletin number 4.

[Read the Covid Bulletin here](#)



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Open Week

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Charity fundraiser

Congratulations to Casper (3LL) for raising the amazing amount of £12,754.05 for The Cornwall Anaesthesia Fund!

Back in May, Casper undertook to run 32 laps of his driveway in 30 days; the equivalent of 30 miles.

Well done Casper!

Tempest Photography Individual Photographs

If you would like to order a photograph of your child, please order online if possible. Alternatively, please send your order in the envelope provided via your child's teacher. The deadline to order for free delivery to school is Friday 9 October.

Nasal Flu vaccination

A reminder that the deadline for signing your child up for their nasal flu vaccination is Thursday 8th October. Please follow the link on the letter sent by Clarion to opt in. Vaccinations will take place on Tuesday 10th November.

[View all photos online](#)

Year 6 north coast walk

Over the last few weeks Year 6 have been going out in their form groups to walk a circular route starting in Chapelorth, taking them up to St Agnes Beacon and back along the coastpath to Chapelorth car park. The young explorers experienced the rugged coastpath, splashed through puddles, picked blackberries, climbed on the ruins that dot the cliffs, all while having the chance to bond.





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Lots to celebrate

The Probationary Boy Choristers were at last able to put on their red cassocks and attend their first official Truro Cathedral service last Sunday. Two weeks previously, the Probationers from last year were made up as full Choristers and were given their white surplices for the first time. All are pictured here, with the exception of Ben, who is now also a full Chorister. Congratulations to all!



**View all
chorister
photos
[online](#)**



Delilah won 1st and 5th at show jumping, and came 4th and 6th at show pony classes last weekend.

Meanwhile sisters Hetty and Lola attended a Zoom gymnastics competition. Hetty won a bronze medal on beam and her team came second overall, getting a silver medal for their efforts. Lola won a silver medal for vault and won a team gold medal after they took the top spot.



Jensen was recently contacted after he entered the 'Get Creative Competition' to be told his fluid paintings have won.

'The judges valued all the thought and creativity displayed in your piece of work. Thank you for taking the time to tune in to God, listen and be creative sharing what you heard'.





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Cubs

The cub group have been harvesting juicy apples by climbing trees with their big sticks and carrying apple baskets.

Piling the apples into a scatter, they then mashed them using a press to make juice and fed the pulp to the pigs.

They have also been helping to build a lavender maze by helping to decode a map to dig up plants to build the maze. Followed by a cosy hot chocolate, brownies and a game of man hunt.



Food reminder

We would like to remind all parents and children that no food should be brought into school. If you would like to have a snack in your car ready for your child at the end of the day that is fine. We have a number of children who have quite serious allergies and we cannot risk food being brought in which could cause major reactions.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Maths

3 x 5	4 x 6
2 x 8	7 x 2

Times Table Challenge Certificates

3LL: Sophie, Casper, Oliver, Megan, Charlotte

3SM: Isabella, Conrad, Raif, Delilah, Edie, Jack, Jensen, George, Jakub, Harley, Hetty, Hensley, Jennifer, Charlie

4ME: Bruce, Raphy, Amelia

4SC: Violet

5JE: Alfie, William G, Max, George

5JL: Sanna, Rufus, James

5SL: Alex

6DG: Amaia

6LJ: Woody

ACHIEVEMENTS

Pre-Prep	Stars of the Week	Work of the Week
Nursery	Max	
RLS	Albie	
RMJ	Kaleem	
1KM	Oliver G	Ethan
1SC	Endelyn	Foster
2PS	Rozalia	Amaya
2CW	Charlie	Elizabeth

Pre-Prep Golden Book Award

Tilda



Merit Awards

Bronze Merit Awards



3LL: Ethan, Sophie, Barnaby, Maya, Ayden, Finlay, Sylvie, Megan, Ben

3SM: Conrad, Raif, Jakub

4ME: Sunny, Amelia, Teddy

4SC: Nathaniel, Scarlett, Winnie, Elliot

5SL: Joseph, Lorcan

6LJ: Charlie

Silver Merit Awards



4SC: Lucy

House Point Form Champions

Oliver 3LL

Edie 3SM

Harry 4ME

Arthur & Violet 4SC

Poppy 5JE

Lois & Oscar 5JL

Thomas 5SL

Benjamin 6AG

Ayesha & Isabelle 6DG

Jemima 6LJ

Hybrid Learning at Truro School PREP: Autumn Term 2020

Hybrid learning refers to a situation where a class is being taught partially on site and partially remotely. It is a situation that will occur when a pupil is self-isolating as a result of Covid symptoms or testing. Our hybrid learning model seeks to ensure that pupils in this situation, both on site and working remotely, can continue to make very good progress with their learning. Hybrid learning will vary in its details across age groups and subjects but will always be driven by the ambition to establish effective and sustainable learning and teaching outcomes for all.

The following sets out the expectations for managing the learning of pupils who are working remotely.

Pupil groups for whom this model will apply

1. Well pupils self-isolating due to being advised to have a Covid test.
2. Well pupils who are awaiting test results.
3. Pupils recovering from Covid who are well enough to work.

Hybrid learning is not expected to be offered to pupils whose absences are non-Covid related. It is vital that the school is kept informed and up to date regarding pupil illness and when a Covid test has been requested, taken and the subsequent result.

There is no expectation for pupils who are feeling unwell to participate in the hybrid learning programme. They can work at their own pace on what they are able to manage and will be helped to catch up when they return to school or are well enough to complete more work remotely.

The Timetable Structure:

Pupils who are working remotely will continue to follow their timetable structure as far as possible. When planning each teaching episode, consideration will be given to the different ways in which learning outcomes can be met by both groups of pupils.

Consistency of Platform Use for Remote Learners:

Teams will be used for any interactive teaching. Resources related to an interactive learning and teaching experience will be uploaded into Teams for children in Years 1-6 and Tapestry for Nursery and Reception.

All homework will be uploaded into Everest (for children in Years 3-6) so that pupils can engage with the homework programme.

Pupil work will be submitted through Teams, by email or other established learning platforms for some curriculum areas for children in Years 1-6. Tapestry will be used for Nursery and Reception.

Timings of communication:

If a pupil is at home awaiting the advice from the NHS about whether a test is required, work will be set in the normal way for a brief school absence. Teachers will communicate this work directly with the pupil and/or parents, or via work set in Teams. There is no expectation for teachers to provide extra interactive support for this phase of absence.

If the NHS have advised a pupil to seek a Covid test, subject teachers will be notified by the class teacher. The class teacher will contact the parent or pupil directly (depending on the age of the pupil) before the end of the second working day since they were notified that the pupil

is awaiting a test to discuss their remote learning needs, including confirmation that they have access to a suitable device and signal. Subject teachers are expected to have remote provision meeting the expectations outlined below up and running by the end of this second working day also. There is not an expectation for interactive teaching and learning to automatically be in place until that planning window has elapsed, but teachers may, of course, begin it as soon as they are ready.

For any pupil engaged in our remote learning support programme, and whose absence lasts a week or more, a review will be undertaken by their class teacher or a member of the SMT, with input from them and their parents, as to how they are feeling about their situation and their learning. Teachers will then be notified of any adaptations required to support learning.

For pupils on the SEND register, there will also be contact made by the SEND team within their first week of remote learning to discuss any challenges being faced and potential adjustments.

For pupils who cannot readily access suitable devices or signal at home, teachers will work with them to construct the best alternative provision possible.

Teaching Protocols once the remote programme has been initiated:

In EYFS (Nursery and Reception), class teachers will keep in close contact with child/family and set recorded work on Tapestry.

Class teachers (in KS1) and subject teachers (in KS2) will create a channel for the relevant week entitled with the week number and dates assuming that Week 1 is 7-11 September. Work that is set for the lesson will be uploaded the night before the lesson and should include some form of introduction and relevant, clear tasks. Instructions will be given as to what work should be submitted and how it should be submitted.

It is understood that the same quantity of interactive provision will not be possible as it was in the summer term when every pupil was in lockdown, and none were on site, but all children/families will be contacted directly by phone/Teams call or meeting a minimum of once a week by all subject teachers to ensure personal contact.

Class teachers will contact children at least once, and preferably twice, per week and involve them in PSHE lessons and form times as appropriate. Feedback will be given on all work as soon as possible after submission, ideally within 48 hours, or 72 hours if the work is submitted on Friday.

Pastoral Care:

Regular form time sessions and assemblies (Monday-Wednesday) will be available via Teams. Here the pupils will have regular contact with their class teacher. Teachers will continue to use house points and Head's Commendations. Members of the SMT and School Chaplain will offer support and care where required.

Training:

A programme of practice sessions and training will be rolled out over the coming weeks to refresh pupils and staff about how to get the most out of remote learning and teaching with confidence. If your child does need to access remote learning during this ongoing pandemic period, please do keep in close touch with his/her class teacher who will be the main point of contact during your child's time at home.



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Truro School Senior Open Event – This Week

At this time of year we would normally be inviting pupils in the upper years of Prep to join us for an open morning full of fun activities. Whilst we would love nothing more than to be showing you around our Senior School in person, our priority to safeguard you and our current pupils and staff makes this unwise at this time.

Instead, please do join us for an interactive event to find out more about our warm and welcoming community.

During the week you will have the opportunity to watch live presentations, interact with live questions and answer sessions, hear from our current pupils and teachers and find out what makes Truro School such a special setting for girls and boys.

Please visit www.truroschoo.com/admissions/tours-and-open-events/senior-school-open-morning/ to find out more.

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We are delighted to announce that the **Truro School Café** will be back open to all, every Saturday (during term-time) from this Saturday October 3rd.

We have a wide selection of home-made cakes, bakes and toasties to accompany our freshly ground Origin coffee or Tregothnan tea. If you're standing on the sidelines to watch a sports match or fancy a coffee or brunch before heading off shopping into town, Truro School Café can offer a warm welcome as the Cornish Autumn weather closes in.

Truro Café Now Open term time - Saturday 10am - 3pm



If you have any questions about how we are keeping you safe while at Truro School Cafe please email cookery@truroschoo.com

Covid-19 Information for Parents and Carers



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You should contact NHS 111 or 119 if your child has Covid-19 symptoms to find out whether they need to be tested. Our medical team **cannot** advise parents of day pupils about whether or not they need to be tested.

Covid-19 Symptoms

A high temperature

Over 37.8 oC

OR

A new, continuous cough

This means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

OR

A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

This means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child does not have symptoms of Covid-19 but has other cold like symptoms, such as runny nose, they do not need to be tested and they or members of your household do not need to self-isolate. Your child can attend school if fit and well. If they are not well enough to attend School please advise us via the appropriate absence line - 01872 246 118 (Senior School) or 01872 272 616 (Prep) or there are email addresses - absence@truroschoo.com (Senior School) and prepoffice@truroschoo.com (Prep).

What to do if:

Your child has been advised to be tested for Covid-19:

- Do not send your child to School
- Book a Covid-19 test directly
- Household self-isolates
- Inform School immediately via the appropriate absence line - 01872 246 118 (Senior School) or 01872 272 616 (Prep) or there are email addresses - absence@truroschoo.com (Senior School) and prepoffice@truroschoo.com (Prep).
- School staff will be in contact to set up enhanced remote learning support

Somebody in your household has been advised to take a Covid-19 test:

- Do not send your child to School
- The household member should book a Covid-19 test
- Household self-isolates
- Inform School immediately via the appropriate absence line - 01872 246 118 (Senior School) or 01872 272 616 (Prep) or there are email addresses - absence@truroschoo.com (Senior School) and prepoffice@truroschoo.com (Prep).
- School staff will be in contact to set up enhanced remote learning support.

Your child has tested positive for Covid-19:

- Do not send your child to School
- Inform Truro School immediately by emailing or calling the Head or Head of Prep.
Senior – 01872 246008 or head@truroschoo.com
Prep – 01872 243120 or prephead@truroschoo.com
- Self-isolate for at least 10 days or as advised.
- School staff will be in contact to set up enhanced remote learning support.

When your child can return to school:

If you have not been advised to self-isolate by the NHS Track and Trace service then your child can return to School if the test is negative, providing they are well enough.

Your child can return to School if the symptomatic household member's test is negative and if they haven't been advised to self-isolate by the NHS Track and Trace service.

Your child can return to School after 10 days, even if they still have a cough/loss of smell or taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks.



Somebody in your household has tested positive for Covid-19:

- Do not send your child to School
 - Inform Truro School immediately by emailing or calling the Head or Head of Prep. Senior – 01872 272 763 or head@truroschoo.com Prep – 01872 272616 or prephead@truroschoo.com
 - Self-isolate as advised
 - School will be in contact to set up enhanced remote learning support.
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Your child can return to School when they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without any symptoms.

Contact tracing has identified my child as a close contact:

- Do not send your child to School.
 - Self-isolate for at least 14 days as advised by NHS track and trace.
 - Inform School immediately via the appropriate absence line - 01872 246 118 (Senior School) or 01872 272 616 (Prep) or there are email addresses absence@truroschoo.com (Senior School) and prepoffice@truroschoo.com (Prep).
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Your child can return to School when they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without any symptoms.

Your child has been in contact with someone who has been identified as a close contact:

- Attend school as normal.
 - If your child does not have any Covid-19 symptoms they should carry on with normal activities.
 - If they present symptoms, please follow the relevant advice elsewhere in this document.
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Your child has travelled abroad and has had to self-isolate:

- Do not send your child to School.
 - Inform School immediately via the appropriate absence line - 01872 246 118 (Senior School) or 01872 272 616 (Prep) or there are email addresses - absence@truroschoo.com (Senior School) and prepoffice@truroschoo.com (Prep).
 - School staff will be in contact to set up enhanced remote learning support.
 - Self-isolate for 14 days in line with quarantine advice.
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Your child can return to School when they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without any symptoms.
