



# Friday Bulletin

15 JANUARY 2021: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES



## You are not alone

As we finish the first full week of remote learning, Ms Patterson talks about her feelings, and how we may all be feeling something different right now, but no matter what, you are not alone.

"Some of you like getting on with your learning at home on your computer, others miss the school community and the chatter with their friends. However you feel about the situation is fine. They're your feelings and they matter.

"I found myself saying out loud, 'you are not alone'. Over the next few weeks, if you ever feel lonely or a bit isolated, or a bit like you're missing out on interacting with friends, you are not alone. Your teachers are here for you to speak to. And I am here for you. If you want to talk about your work, how you're feeling or anything at all."

Ms Patterson finished the assembly with a story.

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

## Choose to be curious

This week's message from the Senior Head reflects upon 'curiosity', introducing the plans for the additional lockdown opportunities designed to stimulate curiosity and an enjoyment of learning during lockdown, emphasising the importance of curiosity as a driver of understanding, and challenging pupils to 'choose to be curious'.

[Listen in full here.](#)





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## New Year wishes

Year 2 have been making New Year wishes for themselves and for the wider world. From wishing everyone to be kind to each other, to encouraging people to stop chopping down trees and throwing plastic into our oceans, and even hoping Joe Biden is a good president, the Year 2s have come up with some very thoughtful wishes.



The children who are still being taught in school were in the sports hall this week sharpening up their tennis skills with practice sessions from Mrs Luxton. They used target practice, serving and returning and double ball throwing to help perfect their techniques.

[Watch here.](#)





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## Pizza week

This week, ovens have been heated to scorching hot, as our bakers have risen to the challenge of making their own pizzas.

Jensen, Year 3, looks like he had so much fun making his animal shaped pizza.

In Year 4, Archie added broccoli to his pizza, while Harris made pitta bread pizza – featuring humous, cheese, ham and pepper. Instead of pizza, Lowenna chose to bake flapjack and Amelia made a delicious apple tarte tatin with her grandfather.

In Year 5, Eva made three different ones; cherry tomatoes, mozzarella and basil; ham, red onion and mushrooms; ham, red pepper and mozzarella. Meanwhile, Rosie chose to add chicken as her secret ingredient. Evelyn emailed in her pizza design – she is making it this weekend.

In Year 6, Jack M, Ayesha, Jamie and Christian rose to the challenge of making their pizzas from scratch. Woody even added chocolate and Oreo cookies to his pizza. Instead of pizza, Isabelle chose to make pasties for her whole family. Bradley decided that he wanted to bake a Victoria sponge.





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## Year 1

Year 1 have been up to all sorts this week from drawing the famous painting 'A Starry Night', using 'Just dance' for PE, and working out sums using the towel trick method, the answer is revealed when the paper is put in water.



## Stone Age

It was back to the Stone Age with Year 3 last week, finding out about tools and weapons used by Stone Age people and then either made their own tools or drew pictures of them.





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## Staying warm

As part of the 'Bigger Picture' homework initiative, pupils are currently researching how animals stay warm in the winter. Henry looked in to how hedgehogs hibernate and survive the cold months. He used his time to build a den in his garden for hedgehogs to hibernate in.

William created a collage of pictures of all the warm things him and his family found during the Christmas holidays.



During the cold snap William made an ice lantern full of foliage, sadly it melted away!



This beautiful collage from George was inspired by Islamic art.



Leo set about making his own edible fossils out of shortbread in a science lesson. The activity demonstrates how imprints from footprints, leaves, and plants would have been preserved in soft ground that was then baked hard by the sun's heat.



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Raif, pictured below, made salt crystals following mineral lessons in science this week.



We are very proud of Georgia who donated her cut off hair to the Little Princess Trust who give it to girls who've lost their hair due to treatment for cancer.



Year 2 learned about the solar system and recreated it with household items, featuring some edible planets...

Little Princess Trust

Thank you!

Georgia Spring  
for kindly donating your hair

Your wonderful donation will make a real difference to children and young people affected by hair loss

Little Princess Trust

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## Learning sounds

This week Nursery has been open as usual. It has been a very busy week. The children started to learn some sounds. The letter 'M' steered our play towards marbles and the marble run. We even did marble painting. The letter 'S' led us to snakes and spiders. We played snakes and ladders, did string painting and sang 'Insy Winsy Spider'. The children have loved returning to Nursery and have sent in photos of what they have had for Christmas.

Mrs Banks



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## Music exam results

Congratulations to the following pupils for passing their instrument grades:

Trystan, Grade 4, Distinction, Brass  
Kes, Grade 2, Distinction, Brass  
Christian, Grade 2, Distinction, Brass  
Aleksander, Grade 2, Merit, Brass  
Oliver, Grade 1, Pass, Brass  
Lilly, Grade 2, Merit, Flute

Flo, Grade 1, Pass, Flute  
Joseph, Grade 2, Distinction, Singing  
Retallack, Grade 2, Merit, Singing  
Joshua, Grade 4, Singing  
Kes, Grade 5, Merit, Singing  
Eva, Grade 2, Merit, Clarinet

## County cricket – January 2021

Congratulations to Jack, James, Theo and George in Year 5, who have all recently been selected for County cricket training.

Well done to all our Year 5 and 6 children, who took part in the first ever LIVE cricket 'Chance to Shine' cricket session yesterday. It is great fun and is still available to view on the following [link](#).



## Uniform Shop

As non-essential retail, the School Uniform Shop remains closed during this lockdown period.

However, if you do have requirements for uniform, you can place an order online at <https://store.famousbranches.com/c/2246/Truro-School>.

Orders will be sorted weekly (Wednesday) and posted out to parents.

In addition, the shop is unable to take in any second-hand uniform currently. We will let you know as soon as this facility resumes.

# Teams Guidelines

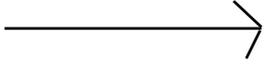
For Prep pupils

The best way to use Teams is to remember how you are asked to behave in the classroom: not shouting out, not distracting others, being respectful of everyone's ideas and contributions and working hard! Of course, it is very important to enjoy your learning and that is why we have set out some guidelines to make sure that everyone has a very positive experience as they learn remotely.

- Your camera and microphone should only be used as **directed by the teacher**. Please do use your camera and microphone when your teachers say this is fine, but remember to turn them off as soon as you are asked to do so.
- You should use the 'hands up' option during lessons to ask permission to speak; this will stop everyone talking over each other and causing too much confusion.
- Children shouldn't be meeting their friends on Teams outside the set meeting times. A teacher should always be present during Teams lessons so please make sure you join the meetings at the correct times (not early) to be sure that the teacher is there and ready for you.
- You **do not** have to wear your school uniform for your online lessons but you must be dressed properly and not still in your pyjamas! It is a good idea to wear comfortable clothing when you are sat at the computer/in front of a screen for your lessons.
- Earphones cut background noise and help to make the sound clearer. Please don't ask your parents to buy earphones for you just for this purpose but if you do have them, you may find them helpful for your online lessons.
- You should **not eat** during lessons – rustling packaging causes a problem!
- You **strictly** must not use the phone option on Teams and should avoid using emojis/gifs/memes in the chat; this is distracting for other children and can be very irritating to others who are trying to learn.
- Remember that any resources (worksheets or helpful documents) uploaded in Teams can be found by clicking in the 'files' tab in the correct channel.
- Ignore the 'general' channel – the channel to use is the one for each specific week that is dated.

Thank you to everyone who entered our first lockdown competition to design the competition logo. The entries were all excellent and we had a hard time choosing this week's winner but we're sure you will agree the new lockdown house competition logo is brilliant!

**OUR NEW  
LOCKDOWN  
HOUSE  
COMPETITION  
LOGO**



**WEEK 1 HALL OF FAME**





## Lockdown House Competition Week 2 Challenges

### 1. Recycling Challenge

Put your recycling to use:

Your challenge is to use ONLY your recycling to create:

1. The Truro School crest
2. The name of your Competition House (Smith, School, Vinter or Wickett)
3. A House Mascot



Please submit your entry with a photo of yourself to [competitionhouse@truroschoo.com](mailto:competitionhouse@truroschoo.com) by Wednesday 20 January, 9am. Please include your name, form and competition house with your entry.

### 2. Book Review Challenge

We want your book recommendations!

Lots of us have been reading in lockdown, we'd like you to submit a book recommendation for a book you've read in lockdown. This can be any kind of book you've read and enjoyed. Each book read and recommendation submitted will count as a point towards your house total. There will be four different age groups for recommendations so please specify whether your book is for:

- Pre-prep
- Prep
- Ages 12-15
- Ages 15 and over



If your submission could contain a picture of the book you've recommended or a picture of you reading the book that would be wonderful. Please send all submissions to [competitionhouse@truroschoo.com](mailto:competitionhouse@truroschoo.com) by Wednesday 20 January, 9am.

Happy reading!



### 3. Pet photo challenge:

Your challenge is to take the best photo of your pet enjoying lockdown! Perhaps they have particularly liked having you at home all the time or maybe they have been helping you with your school work, like this dog here!



- The more creative the photo is the better
- Feel free to be in the photo yourself with your pet

Please email your photo to by Wednesday 20 January, 9am: [competitionhouse@truroschool.com](mailto:competitionhouse@truroschool.com) to enter. You must include your name, form and competition house with your entry.

### 4. Special Half Termly Challenge – this special challenge will run throughout lockdown until half term

**Please ensure you complete this challenge following all government guidance.**

How high can each house climb together?

As a combined total will your house climb the equivalent of Brown Willy, Snowden, K2, Everest...?

Your challenge climb:

1. Using a single step repeatedly or a flight of stairs, count how many steps you climb. Set yourself a time limit which is suitable to your ability. 1 minute, 10 minutes, 20 minutes.... it is your choice.
2. Track your climb by using a fitness tracker or equivalent and upload your evidence. If you don't have a device, ask a parent to count with you and they can be your evidence.
3. Complete the form via this [LINK](#) to submit your entry:



# How high will your house climb:



Virtual mountains	No of steps	No of flights
Slieve Donard, Northern Ireland	5,390	360
Scafell Pike, England	6,180	412
Mount Snowdon, Wales	7,120	475
Ben Nevis, Scotland	8,810	587
Mount Blanc, France	30,420	2,028
Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanzania	38,680	2,578
Mount Everest, Nepal	58,070	3,871

Virtual buildings	No of steps	No of flights
Millennium Dome, England	320	21
Sydney Opera House, Australia	425	28
Clifton Suspension Bridge, England	490	33
Big Ben, England	632	42
Forth Rail Bridge, Scotland	680	45
BT Tower, Birmingham, England	997	66
Blackpool Tower, England	1,036	69
Seattle Space Needle, USA	1,164	78
Canary Wharf Tower, England	1,600	107
Petronas Twin Towers, Malaysia	2,860	190
CN Tower, Toronto, Canada	3,500	233

Please submit your entry via the link above, however if you have a photo of yourself completing the challenge please upload it via the form or send it to [competitionhouse@truoschool.com](mailto:competitionhouse@truoschool.com). Please include your name, form and competition house with your entry.

# Truro School virtual football programme

Linked below is a programme of events that all ages can access and have a go. Whilst the foundation of the programme is football-based, there is something for everyone, ranging from Truro Prep mini's, strength and conditioning, technical sessions, parent webinars, family quizzes, and much, much more.

Head of Truro School Football, Glynn Hooper, commented on the partnership: "Whilst we are in the early stages of our partnership with Saints South West, this relationship is only going from strength to strength. We were all keen to develop a remote programme that has something for all our community at Truro School. You do not have to be an avid football fan to access the content that is on offer; whether it is strength conditioning work, speed and agility or the family quiz, it has been designed to engage as wide an audience as possible. "

To join in, simply click on the Zoom links on the PDF below.

## VIRTUAL TIMETABLE | Truro School



 **FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT (U7-U18)**
 **MINI (4-6) SOCCER CENTRE (7-11)**
 **Family**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					<b>Virtual Personal Coaching Sessions</b> Book sessions and time slots by clicking here.	<b>R and R</b>
	<a href="#">Mini Prep (4-6) Fun Games</a> 5.00-5.45pm	<a href="#">U7-U11 Workshop</a> 5.00-5.45pm		<a href="#">U7-U11 Goalkeepers</a> 5.00-5.45pm		
<a href="#">PREP SCHOOL Technical</a> 6.00-6.45pm	<a href="#">Soccer Centre (7-11) Technical</a> 6.00-6.45pm	<a href="#">U7-U11 SAO/S&amp;C/Fitness</a> 6.00-6.45pm --- <a href="#">U12-U18 Workshop*</a> 6.00-6.45pm	<b>R and R</b>	<a href="#">U12-18 Goalkeepers</a> 6.00-6.45pm		
<a href="#">Senior School Technical</a> 7.00-7.45pm	<a href="#">Parent Webinar Workshop*</a> 7.00-9.00pm	<a href="#">U12-18 SAO/S&amp;C/Fitness</a> 7.00-7.45pm		<a href="#">Family Activity Quiz/Games</a> 7.00-9.00pm		

\*Team sessions = age group coaches if possible to organise team specific sessions/socials  
 \*Workshop = Various topics each week  
 R and R Rest and Recupercation