

TRURO SCHOOL

2024-2025

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Truro School is situated across two sites in the city of Truro, Cornwall. There are approximately 830 pupils (ages 11-18) in the Senior School (including 190 in the Sixth Form) and 300 pupils at the Prep (ages 3-11).

TRURO SCHOOL PREP AND NURSERY

Highertown, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 3QN.

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Motto, Values and Ambition

OUR MOTTO:

Our motto is Esse Quam Videri, meaning 'to be, rather than to seem to be.'

Founded by Methodists in Cornwall in 1880 our School is a welcoming community in which children and adults can flourish, thrive and be happy. They enjoy being and becoming the very best of themselves.

OUR VALUES:

From Nursery through to Sixth Form, the values our community nurtures are:

- **Curiosity** to always want to discover and learn more, academically and more widely too.
- **Confidence** to build resilience by learning from both successes and failures alike.
- **Compassion** to understand and champion the needs of others, in our community and beyond.
- **Creativity** to be imaginative in how we express ourselves and approach new challenges.
- **Courage** to enjoy becoming the very best of who we are, with integrity and ambition.

OUR AMBITION

To be a community of inclusion and excellence delivering the best educational journey in the South-West.

Our community and its culture reflect our Methodist foundation and our ongoing evolution in an inspiring Cornish setting. In an ever-changing world, we support and challenge young people to thrive – personally, spiritually, academically, socially, and physically.

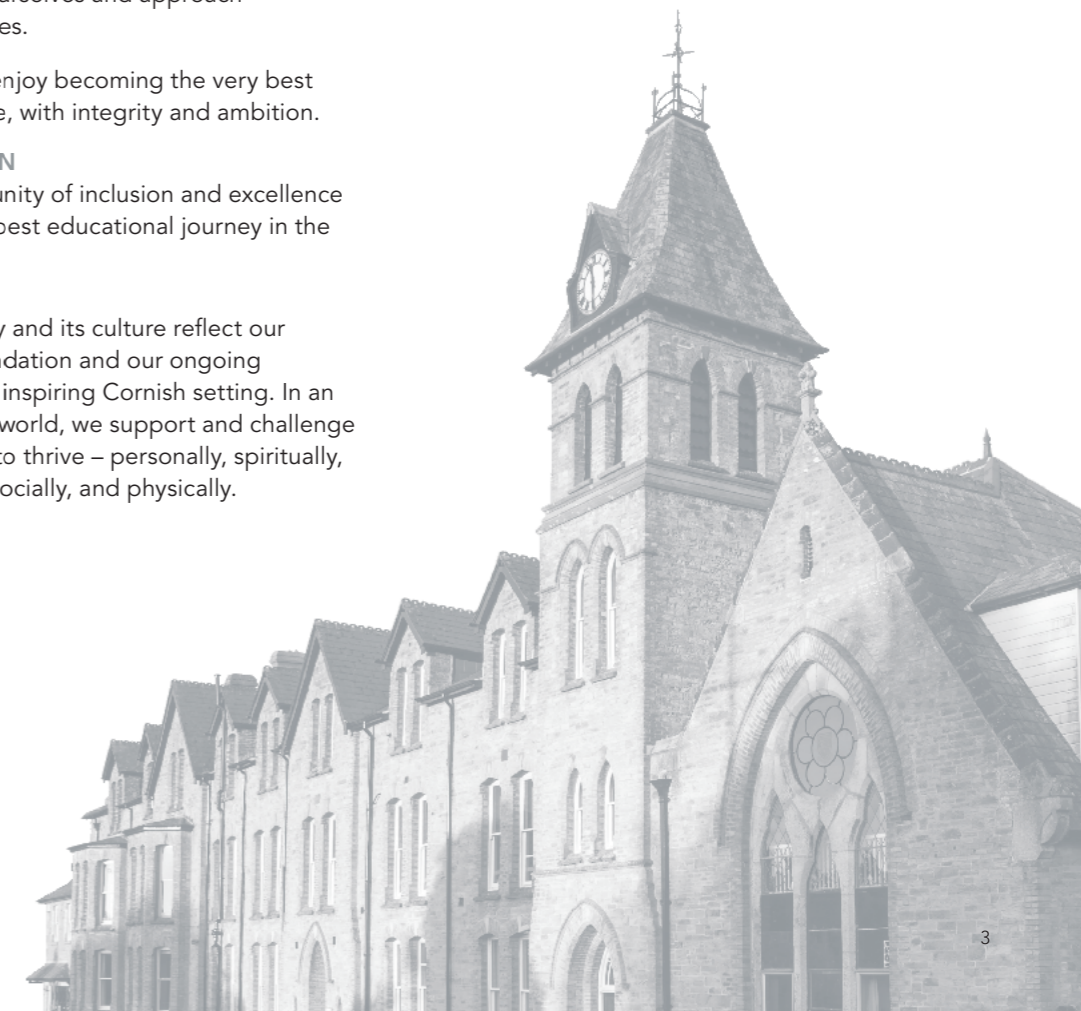
We value our pupils in the diversity of their identities, beliefs, abilities, talents, interests, backgrounds, and needs. The happiness, energy and wellbeing of our community shapes and inspires who we are and who we can become.

METHODIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRUST (MIST)

Truro School is a member of the Methodist Independent Schools Trust (MIST). The MIST mission statement can be found on our website www.truroschoo.com.

Registered Office: 66 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3LH Charity No. 1142794. Company No. 7649422 www.methodisteducation.co.uk

MOTTO, VALUES AND AMBITION





Admissions Process

The exact process varies depending on your child's age of entry; for all admissions we recommend the following three initial steps:

1) Contact the Admissions Office

Our admissions team are on hand to answer any questions that you may have relating to your child's entry. They are also pleased to provide you with details about our upcoming open events and answer any queries that you may have relating to the registration process.

2) Attend an Open Event

Our annual open events are a great opportunity to explore each department, talk to current pupils, students and staff, and find lots of things to do, see, make and try out. Our Prep Open Morning takes place in March, our Senior Open Morning is held in early October and our Sixth Form Open Evening takes place in September.

We're also pleased to welcome parents for a tour of the school at mutually convenient times throughout the year. These tours are a great way to witness the school in action and to soak up the atmosphere.

3) Complete a Registration Form

The next step in the process for any admission is to complete and submit the online Registration Form, along with the relevant registration fee. The registration will be acknowledged and you will receive further details about Entrance Exam dates and any paperwork required, if entry is imminent.

Applications for future years are very welcome; they will be acknowledged and parents will continue to receive updates until detailed information is required about the entry process.

ADMISSIONS CONTACTS:

Senior and Sixth Form

Admissions Team +44 (0)1872 246 062
admissions@truroschool.com

Prep and Nursery

Admissions Team +44 (0)1872 243 120
prepadmissions@truroschool.com

PREP AND NURSERY

Pupils join the Prep School at any age from 3 to 11 years old. In the Nursery, pupils join in the half term after their 3rd birthday, whilst pupils from Reception to Year 6 may join at any point, subject to availability.

For pupils ages 3 to 4 (Nursery) Before joining, you and your child will be invited to a Taster Day. This is an opportunity for you as parents to have an informal discussion with the staff of the Pre-Prep.

For pupils ages 4 to 7 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) Admission is based on a Taster Day during which the class teacher will assess your son or daughter at an informal level.

For pupils ages 7 to 11 (Years 3 to 6) Entry is based on assessments in English, Mathematics and Non-Verbal Reasoning. These are designed to be done on sight and no specific preparation is required. Pupils are invited to spend the day at the school, usually undertaking the tests in the morning before joining a class. A report from your child's current school is useful.

SENIOR AND SIXTH

Admission to Truro School's Senior School is by Entrance Examination, school report and interview. Admission to the Sixth Form is by school report and interview and is based on predicted GCSE grades or equivalent.

Further detailed information is available in the Admissions Policy, which can be found on our website.

Fees

2024-25 FEES

The fees and charges set out below will be applied from January 2025.

FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR	2024/25	2024/25	2024/25
Senior School	Per Term £ (ex. VAT)	Per Term £ (VAT)	Per Term £ (inc. VAT)
1st Year – Upper Sixth (including lunch)	5,826.04	1,165.21	6,991.25
Full Boarder (excludes half term & holidays)	11,573.75	2,314.75	13,888.50
International Boarding**	12,802.61	2,560.52	15,363.13
Weekly Boarder (Monday – Friday)	9,943.44	1,988.69	11,932.13
Flexi Boarding (per night)	78.33	15.67	94.00
Day Boarding (per evening)	34.28	6.85	41.13
Prep			
Years 5 & 6 (including lunch)	5,351.15	1,070.23	6,421.38
Years 3 & 4 (including lunch)	5,150.42	1,030.08	6,180.50
Pre-Prep & Nursery			
Years 1 & 2 (including lunch)	3,813.86	762.77	4,576.63
Reception (without EYF)	3,627.81	725.56	4,353.37
Full-time Nursery (without EYF)	3,705.00	0.00	3705.00
4 full days (Nursery only without EYF)	2,965.00	0.00	2,965.00
3 full days (Nursery only without EYF)	2,225.00	0.00	2,225.00
2 full days (Nursery only without EYF)	1,480.00	0.00	1,480.00
1 full day (Nursery only without EYF)	740.00	0.00	740.00
Nursery full day with Early Years Funding (per day)	50.00	0.00	50.00
Nursery afternoon with Early Years Funding	Free		
All			
Registration Fee (not refundable)	100.00	20.00	120.00
Guarantee Fee (refundable on final bill)	500.00	0.00	500.00
Guarantee Fee (international boarders)	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00

Fees are due in accordance with the School's Terms and Conditions (see Section 4) which can be found on the School's Policy Page.

Termly Fee payments for international boarders made from an overseas bank account must be cleared to the School's bank account before the boarders' return date.

**International Boarders are those who are normally resident outside the United Kingdom.

The International boarding fee includes CAS application, where applicable, a place on the termly Heathrow minibus transfer (at times set by the school), tuition for English as an Additional Language and preparation for IELTS, where required. An International Boarding Supplement will be allocated to the standard Day Fee or Weekly Boarding Fee if applicable at a rate of £995 per term (ex. VAT).

The full boarding fee includes tuition, accommodation, food, laundry service and a full programme of weekend activities.

DISCOUNTS

Where two or more children of one family are concurrently at either the Prep School or Senior School, the following reductions from fees will be made:

Fees for the Second child: 6%

Fees for the Third child: 12%

Fees for the Fourth and any subsequent children: 22%

Discounts are applied to the oldest child(ren). In the case of children in our Nursery, sibling discount(s) on older siblings commence once the Nursery pupil is attending on a full-time basis.

NOTICE

Parents are reminded that a term's notice is required before withdrawing a child from the School or a term's fees in lieu of notice will be payable, at such rate as would have been charged for the final term of provision if a term's notice has been given.



Scholarships

At Truro School we are committed to offering both bursaries and scholarships. We are pleased here to outline the difference between these two types of award and our approach to them for prospective pupils.

TRURO SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Truro School scholarships are awarded to pupils who show exceptional ability or potential in their approach to academic studies or in their commitment to co-curricular activities.

Scholarships for pupils entering the School in Years 7-11 (1st-5th Year) will be awarded in the form of further enhanced educational opportunities for the scholars themselves, and not as reductions in fees for parents (see below for more information). We take this approach because we believe the direct beneficiary of a scholarship should be the pupil. By this approach the school can and will target the budget associated with scholarship into creative scholarship opportunities directly.

At 16+ entry into our Sixth Form, for current pupils and those applying from outside Truro School, scholarships will take the form of a Diploma Scholarship Award, which will include 5-10% fee remission as well as similarly enhanced scholarship opportunities.

TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships will be awarded in the following categories:

Prep School: Years 1-6

- **Boy Chorister Scholarship** (Year 4 entry)

Senior School: Years 7-11 (1st-5th Year)

- **Academic Scholarship**
- **Co-Curricular Scholarship** (including Music, Drama, Art, Sports and Athletics)
- **Girl Chorister Scholarship** (3rd Year/Year 9 entry)
- **Fencing Scholarship** (1st and 3rd Year/Year 7 and 9 entry)

Sixth Form: Years 12-13 (Lower Sixth-Upper Sixth)

- **Sixth Form Diploma Scholarship**
- **Fencing Scholarship** (Lower Sixth/Year 12 entry)

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

A small number of the very highest achieving pupils in our entrance examinations will be awarded Academic Scholarships on entry into the School.

For pupils in Year 7 (1st Year) a scholarship evaluation and awards process will take place every year towards the end of the Spring Term. Pupils will be awarded academic scholarships based on ongoing assessment of their commitment and potential by our Heads of Department and Co-curricular leaders. Assessment will recognise and reflect their engagement with senior school study, and with an exciting and flexible programme of enhanced academic enrichment.

The School is looking for exceptionally able and motivated candidates who are academically gifted, dedicated to their studies and will seek to take full advantage of opportunities to extend their learning beyond the core syllabus.

In return, we offer the teaching and guidance of staff that have a wealth of experience in nurturing gifted pupils to fulfil their academic potential. The Head of Academic Scholars will mentor scholars through a termly meeting to review progress and discuss personal goals. Scholarship pupils will receive subject specific extension opportunities, access to national and international academic competitions for individuals and teams with specialist preparation, invitations to external and in-house academic lectures and seminars.

All Academic Scholars are expected to:

- Ensure that they maintain the highest standards of effort in their academic studies.

- Apply commitment, reliability and enthusiasm to extension opportunities.
- Support the school at academic events as requested.

Awards will be communicated to parents at the end of Spring Term.

CO-CURRICULAR SCHOLARSHIP

For pupils in Year 7 (1st Year) a scholarship evaluation and awards process will take place every year towards the end of the Spring Term. Pupils will be awarded co-curricular scholarships based on ongoing assessment of their commitment and potential by our Heads of Department and Co-curricular leaders. Assessment will recognise and reflect their engagement with senior school study, and with an exciting and flexible programme of enhanced co-curricular enrichment.

Co-curricular scholarships will be awarded for exceptional talent and commitment to one, or more, co-curricular disciplines: Art, Music, Drama, and Sports and Athletics. Scholars will be bright, enthusiastic pupils who show dedication, enthusiasm and a high level of skill in their discipline, and who will act as ambassadors for the department. Expectations for each discipline are summarised below and detailed in full on our website.

Art

- Undertake a high level of involvement with both curricular and co-curricular Art activities and to become role models to the wider School community in respect of their commitment to Art.
- Assist with whole school art events and open days
- Set up and hold a Scholars' Exhibition in the Heseltine Gallery
- Study GCSE Art

Music

- Set an example by regular attendance at rehearsals in order to perform to the best possible standard
- Play in the ensembles relevant to their instruments and attend rehearsals regularly
- Participate in the more formal termly concerts including, for example, the Hall for

Cornwall, St Agnes and Christmas Concerts in the Autumn Term, the major Choral and Orchestral Concert in the Spring Term, and the Summer Term Chamber Concert

- Study GCSE Music

Drama

- Be involved in a minimum of one show per year
 - For Years 7-8 (1st and 2nd Year) participation in the junior play is a minimum expectation
 - For Years 9-11 (3rd-5th Year) participation in the main school production is a minimum expectation
- Become role models to the wider School community in respect of their commitment to Drama.

- Apply commitment, reliability and enthusiasm to rehearsals and related Drama activities

- Study GCSE Drama

Sports and Athletics

- Play a leading role in the sporting life of Truro School
- Be leaders, excellent role models and ambassadors within the school
- Train and play with school teams during periods of academic study leave and after finishing public examinations (when considered appropriate by the Director of Sport)

Awards will be communicated to parents at the end of Spring Term.

FENCING SCHOLARSHIPS

Fencing Scholarships are awarded to candidates with the ability, potential and willingness to contribute significantly to the ongoing success of our fencing programme. Scholars play a leading role in the life of fencing at Truro School, act as role models for their peers, and demonstrate high levels of motivation and commitment to training and competition. They must also be able to join Truro Fencing Club and meet competition and training commitments set by Truro Fencing Club and Truro School. Fencing scholars are supported through a top-class programme of international quality coaching and training, including lectures and advice on lifestyle management. Fencers are given full distance-learning support and a bespoke nutritional plan, alongside regular



academic monitoring, mentoring and tracking. We currently hold the title as the leading Sabre Public School in the country and have fencers competing regularly at international level.

Scholarship age levels:
11+, 13+ & 16+

Fencing Scholarship funding is a maximum of 10% of fees.

SIXTH FORM DIPLOMA SCHOLARSHIP

Sixth Form Diploma Scholarships are awarded before Christmas of Year 11 (5th Year). They are awarded from an application and selection process that includes a pre-prepared application, a review of a pupil's school record, and an interview that will include a pupil presentation. This is a rigorous process designed to identify the pupils most likely to enrich our Sixth Form community through their diversity of knowledge, skills and interests, and their commitment to our School values. Pupils will be ambassadors for their speciality subjects or skills, whether sciences, the arts, humanities (including modern foreign languages), or sports.

Diploma Awards are conditional on a pupil joining Truro School Sixth Form and will remain in place for the duration of a pupil's time in Sixth Form as long as expectations of commitment and behaviour are maintained, details of which will be set out in a Diploma Scholar's contract. The fee remission associated with a Diploma scholarship is likely to be between 5% and 10%.

Diploma Scholarships may be applied for by any pupil in Year 11 at Truro School, or any Year 11 from outside the School seeking to apply to join Truro School for Sixth Form, whether they have existing scholarship or bursary awards or not. Diploma Scholars are expected to be academically strong, but selection will not be exclusively academic.

GIRL CHORISTER SCHOLARSHIPS

Girl Chorister Scholarships are available to girls currently in Year 8, for entry into the Cathedral Choir and Truro School at the start of Year 9. Girls are assessed by members of the School and Cathedral on their voice, sight-reading ability, ear and general aptitude. Choristers perform music by great composers with an outstanding choir directed by

specialist professional musicians in one of the South West's finest buildings. They have the opportunity to take part in live broadcasts for TV and radio, CD recordings and foreign tours and develop leadership skills in a supportive environment with a great deal of individual attention, working as part of a close team with a special purpose and a strong sense of identity.

Scholarship age levels: Only 13+ Girl Chorister Scholarship funding is a maximum of 25% of fees, plus access to a means-tested bursary where suitable.

BOY CHORISTER SCHOLARSHIPS

Boy Chorister Scholarships are available to boys currently in Year 3, for entry into the Cathedral Choir and Truro School Prep at the start of Year 4. Experienced staff from the Cathedral and School assess each application carefully to decide whether a chorister place is right for the child and for the choir. Boys can sing a short piece of music (for example, a verse from 'Away in a Manger') if they wish. They will be assessed on their voice, reading skills, ear and general aptitude (for example, concentration and commitment). Boys must pass the school's independent assessment which will be given at the same time as the chorister auditions. At this very young age it is musical potential rather than ability that is being tested. Truro Cathedral's Director of Music will be pleased to discuss this aspect of a chorister application at any stage.

Scholarship age levels: Only 8+ Boy Chorister Scholarship funding is a maximum of 25% of fees, plus access to a means-tested bursary where suitable.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about our Scholarship programmes please view the relevant pages on our website. Further information about our bursary application process and deadlines can be found here. All candidates are required to register with the School before any type of Scholarship or bursary application is made, and, if not currently a Truro School pupil, to pass the school's entrance assessments. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the Admissions Team: **admissions@truroschool.com**



Bursaries

TRURO SCHOOL BURSARIES

Our bursaries are for pupils who will thrive at the School, but whose family circumstances mean the school fees are otherwise unaffordable. A bursary means a tested reduction in fees. Awards can range from 5% up to 100% of fees depending on assessed need. Through the work and generosity of others, and our staff here, we are actively seeking to expand bursary provision and hence widen access to our School. Any family may apply for potential financial assistance by submitting a means-tested bursary application. Bursary applications are reviewed on a case by case basis and outcomes of those reviews will establish whether bursary support is warranted and if so, at what level.

We offer our means-tested bursaries both as a means of financial assistance to support widening access to a Truro School education, and also as a means of supporting continuity of education to current Truro School pupils from families whose personal circumstances change unexpectedly for the worse.

All those wishing to apply should complete a financial declaration form (available from the Admissions Office). The completed financial declaration form should be returned, in confidence, to the Finance Manager. Offers of means-tested bursaries will be made at the same time as other places. Truro School Prep does not offer means-tested bursaries.

For more information, please visit our bursaries page on the website.

www.truroschool.com/admissions/scholarships-and-bursaries/bursaries/

Other Information

PARENT COMMUNICATIONS

The school website www.truroschool.com is a comprehensive website designed to provide a picture of life at Truro School. The website is also used to provide current and prospective parents with a wide-range of information, including:

'PARENT PORTAL'

The link on the website will give you access to your child's timetable and notifications, such as achievements, attendance and school reports. There is also a link to the daily bulletin as well as a shared docs area which will contain copies of correspondence by year group.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The School Calendar and School Sports Calendar are available to view via the website and include all school events for pupils and parents, sports fixtures, team sheets and results.

PARENT AND PUPIL HANDBOOKS

Comprehensive guides for parents and pupils are available under the Parent section of the website. These include information about the daily routine, uniform, term dates, homework, co-curricular, pastoral network, school rules, financial matters, meals and other useful information.

FRIENDS OF TRURO SCHOOL (FTS)

The FTS play a central role in the school community. A list of contact details and events can be found on the website.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

School news, diary dates, latest events and important notices.

You can also view information about uniform, clubs, transport, catering and a list of the school's policies.

MINIBUS ROUTES

We currently provide four bus routes bringing pupils from Wadebridge, Rosudgeon, Newquay and St Erth areas and operate a shuttle service between Truro School and Truro School Prep.

Our pupils travel in modern and comfortable vehicles. If you are interested in utilising this service, details of the bus routes, timetables and booking process can be found at www.truroschool.com/parents/transport

EXAM RESULTS

A-Level Results 2024

A*/A	47%
A*-B	74.2%

GCSE Results 2024

A* or Grade 9/8	34%
A*/A or Grade 9-7	51.6%

Value Added 2024

Top 10% Nationally

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE (ISI)

The ISI is a government-approved inspectorate responsible for auditing independent schools. They assess a wealth of areas including safeguarding, the quality and effectiveness of education, care, welfare and personal development of children in schools.

During the latest inspection, both the Prep and Senior Schools were awarded 'Excellent' across both standards:

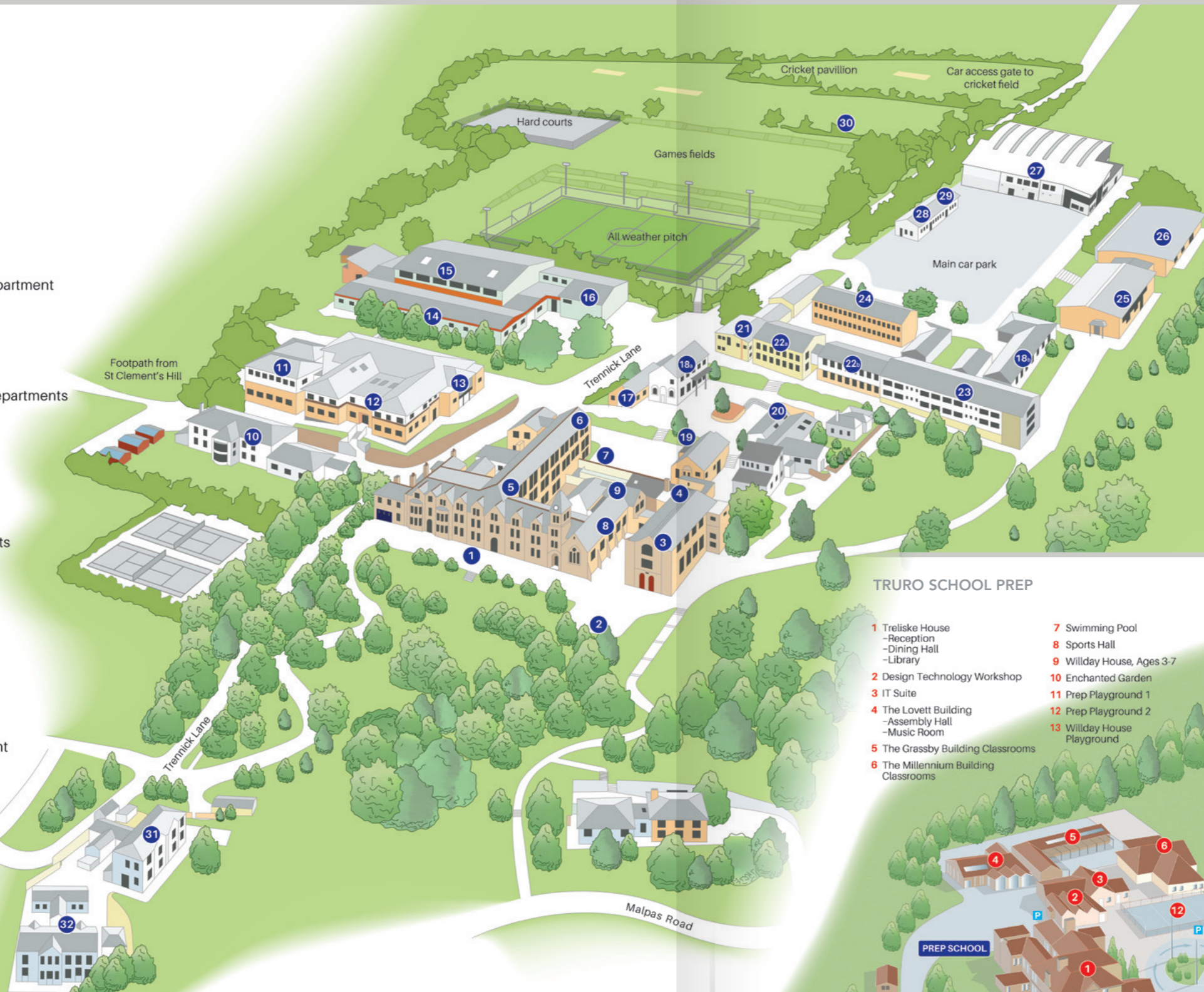
The achievement of the pupils, including their academic development – EXCELLENT

The personal development of the pupils – EXCELLENT



TRURO SCHOOL SENIOR

- 1 School Reception
- 2 Head's Visitor Parking
- 3 Chapel
- 4 Heseltine Gallery & Studio
- 5 Trennick Boarding House
- 6 Medical Centre
- 7 Learning Support Centre
- 8 Library
- 9 ICT Department
- 10 Music Department
- 11 Modern Foreign Languages Department
- 12 Burrell Classrooms
 - History Department
 - Psychology Department
- 13 Burrell Theatre
 - Drama Department
- 14 Art and Design & Technology Departments
- 15 Sports Hall
- 16 Outdoor Education Centre
- 17 5th Year Common Room
- 18 Maths Department
- 19 Sixth Form Café
- 20 Sixth Form Centre
- 21 Religious Studies Department
- 22 Physics & Chemistry Departments
- 23 Graham Smith Block
 - Geography Department
 - Geology Department
 - English Department
- 24 Biology Department
- 25 Fencing Salle
- 26 Swimming Pool
- 27 Sir Ben Ainslie Sports Centre
 - Business Studies Department
 - Economics Department
 - Physical Education Department
- 28 The Cookery School
- 29 Truro School Café
- 30 Overflow Car Park
- 31 Pentreve Boarding House
- 32 Malvern Boarding House



On Arrival

TRURO SCHOOL SENIOR (LEFT)

The school operates a one-way system. Visitors should follow the signs up to the main school car park. From here, drive past the Sir Ben Ainslie Sports Centre, following the exit signs. Keep driving down the hill until you reach the visitor parking outside the chapel. Reception is located at the front of the main building.

TRURO SCHOOL PREP (BELOW)

Turn left into the school entrance and make your way down the drive. Visitor parking can be found directly in front of the school. Please enter via the main gate and report to reception. From approximately 9am until 3pm each weekday the exit is back along the drive. Before and after these times, there is a one-way system in operation. Follow the exit signs, then, having crossed the golf club fairway, turn right at the end of the lane (onto the public road) and you will shortly arrive back on the A390.

TRURO SCHOOL PREP

- 1 Treliske House
 - Reception
 - Dining Hall
 - Library
- 2 Design Technology Workshop
- 3 IT Suite
- 4 The Lovett Building
 - Assembly Hall
 - Music Room
- 5 The Grassby Building Classrooms
- 6 The Millennium Building Classrooms
- 7 Swimming Pool
- 8 Sports Hall
- 9 Willday House, Ages 3-7
- 10 Enchanted Garden
- 11 Prep Playground 1
- 12 Prep Playground 2
- 13 Willday House Playground





Truro School Prep and Nursery

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TR1 3QN

FOR GENERAL ENQUIRIES:

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