

7 JUNE 2024: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week flies by (was it really half term last week?) and once again, we find ourselves in the thick of an action-packed diary. Assessments, trips to Castle Beach (Year 2) and Kresen Kernow (Year 3), Judo in Devon, and a raft of athletics events have entertained us here at school, but the headlines have come from across the Channel.

The Year 6 pupils and accompanying staff have enjoyed a fantastic week in Normandy. Visits to the D-Day beaches (in the week of the 80th anniversary

of D-Day; well organised, Mr Frewer!) and Mont-Saint-Michel have been peppered with barbecues, crepes, market visits and plenty of sun and ice cream. We look forward to welcoming them back to the fold on Friday evening and sharing their photos next week.

Back at Treliske House, our assemblies have focussed on the importance of taking initiative and creating/seizing opportunities. This primarily targeted our day-to-day lives at school and home but also provided the opportunity to look at the forthcoming election and to learn a little more about politics. We will return to this topic again as we move closer to the 4th of July.

With Thursday being the 80th Anniversary of D-Day, we also looked back at the preparations and events around the 6th of June 1944. Rev Helen led a poignant assembly which concluded with a minute of silence in remembrance.

Turning to next week, we have transition days for the Year 6 pupils moving onto the Senior School, a 'Move up Morning' for our current pupils (this will take place within the bounds of the normal school day; no input from parents and carers is needed), a Humanities trip to Perranporth (Year 4) and an art workshop and science day for Year 5. The week will be rounded off by the Year 4 overnight camp. There is much to look forward to!

Before that, we head off to the Royal Cornwall Show and I hope that any families and friends at the showground will visit the Truro School stand (427). Andy Johnson and I, along with the TS team, will be hosting a drinks reception between 1pm and 3pm on Saturday 8th June. We hope to see many of you there.

Finally, I take this opportunity to thank the Operations Team who remained hard at work at School during the half-term break. As well as hosting a wedding reception and a delightful Former Pupils' reunion, the team somehow found the time to repaint the exteriors of the Swimming Pool and the Sports Hall (they both look splendid). Furthermore, the refurbishment of the Swimming Pool changing rooms is now underway.

With every good wish, Rob Morse, Headmaster



Calendar

Monday 10 June - Friday 14 June

Details may change; please check the online calendar for updates.

Saturday 8 June

Royal Cornwall Show; Drinks with the Heads Year 5 Science Morning

13.00-15.00 at the Truro School Stand (427)

Monday 10 June

Year 6 Taster Day

Senior School (half the year group)

Nursery to Year 5 Move Up Morning

Tuesday 11 June

Year 6 Taster Day

Senior School (half the year group)

Year 5 Art Workshop

Year 3 & 4 Mixed Softball Cricket

Polwhele House (A) 14.00-15.30 4pm return to Prep)

Year 6 Parent Meetings with Form Tutors

(Dining Hall) 16.00- 19.00

Wednesday 12 June

Year 4 Humanities Visit to Perranporth Beach

09.30- 13.45

Year 5 & 6 Mixed Softball Cricket v Polwhele

(H) 14.30

Learning Support Coffee meeting

Library 15.00- 16.00

Thursday 13 June

Truro School 09.15- 13.40

5CD Sailing

Stithians Reservoir 13.15- 16.30

Friday 14 June

Year 6 Quadkids Athletics

Carn Brea track (8 x Y6 pupils) 08.50-12.30

Year 4 overnight camp

14.00

Saturday 15 June

Year 4 leave overnight camp 10.00



Calendar

Monday 17 June - Friday 21 June

Details may change; please check the online calendar for updates.

Monday 17 June

The Big Sing (Year 4)

The Hall For Cornwall.

Nb. This event takes place during the school day and is for children only

Year 6 Play Rehearsals (all day)

Year 6 Kwik Cricket Festival @

Camborne Cricket Club (A) 09.15-15.30 (26 pupils 10.00 start)

Tuesday 18 June

Year 3 Ceramics Workshop

Year 5 Surf Day

Gwithians Towans 09.15-15.40 (12pm start)

Year 2 Leavers' Assembly

Assembly Hall 14.30-15.15 followed by Refreshments in Dining Hall

Wednesday 19 June

Year 6 Play Rehearsals (all day)

Y5 MFL Cookery workshop (5SL)

10.40-13.00 Senior School

Thursday 20 June

Pre-Prep Sports Day

14.15-15.30; Please Note: No Little Fishes

Y3 Humanities Visit to Daubuz Moor

9.30-11.50

5CD Sailing

Stithians reservoir 13.15-16.30

Friday 21 June

Prep Sports Day

09.00-15.30

Please Note: No Little Fishes due to Sports Day

Year 1 Trip to Chapel Porth Beach

09.00-14.30

Saturday 22 June

Prep Summer Fayre

12.00-15.00

For a full list of this term's clubs and activities, please click here.



Notices

Royal Cornwall Show

It's Royal Cornwall Show time and we are looking forward to welcoming visitors from across the county and beyond.

Throughout the Show, we will be 'celebrating music' and invite all types of piano performers to join us. Whether young or old, a beginner or an expert, we have a keyboard waiting on our Stand for you to play (please bring your own music). We are also thrilled to invite you to a drinks reception hosted by Andy Johnson and Rob Morse. The reception will take place at the Truro School Stand (427) on Saturday 8 June, 1 pm - 3pm. All parents and friends are welcome to join us for a glass of fizz and a friendly catch-up with our team.

FTS Summer Fayre

The Truro School Prep Summer Fayre is taking place on Saturday 22nd June from 12 - 3pm. The FTS Team are looking for volunteers to help on the day. Please contact fts@truroschool.com if you can spare a few hours.

Donations are now being collected:

From wc 10/6:

Good condition pre-loved uniforms

Books

Teddies

Filled sweety jam jars

From wc 17/6:

Plants

Fri 21/6:

Cakes (please include full ingredient list and no nuts please)

Thank you for your support.

This year, there will be an additional activity; the <u>Truro Prep Country Fair</u>.

Pupils are encouraged to create entries for three categories:

- 1. **Baking Creations** get creative in the kitchen with a delicious home bake.
- 2. **Garden Creations** -make a mini garden, flower display or something you've grown.
- 3. Lego Creations wow the judges with your best Lego build.

Submissions can be as creative as you like and there will be prizes for different age groups within each category.

More information on when to bring in your submissions to follow!



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Grandparents' Cream Tea at Prep

Truro School Prep was busier than usual as the Grandparents of pupils in Years 3 to 6 joined their grandchildren for the first Grandparents' Afternoon Cream Tea event at Prep.

As the gates opened, families flocked into the school grounds, welcomed with a concert from some of our talented pupils and Truro School Prep Choir. Our visiting grandparents were joined by their grandchildren; with beautiful smiles, warm hugs and excited chatter galore.

The afternoon allowed Grandparents to tour our beautiful school, with a chance to pop into classrooms, chat with staff and teachers and visit our fantastic facilities, including our extensive outdoor learning areas, sports hall, swimming pool and DT lab.



Our excited pupils happily showed off their work and talked about their favourite lessons and experiences at school as they proudly guided their grandparents around.

For many of our visitors, it was a trip down memory lane as several were Truro School alumni or had children who had also been pupils at Truro School.

With tours completed, it was time for a lavish afternoon tea of scones, cookies and cakes in the Dining Hall.

There was an exciting carousel of outdoor activities and lollies for those pupils whose grandparents were unable to attend, ensuring that all had a memorable afternoon.

We want to thank our wonderful grandparents who visited our school, our amazing pupils and our fantastic staff who worked so hard to make the afternoon such a success. A particular thanks must go to Mrs McIntosh and her team who put on such an amazing spread for tea!

You can view a full gallery of photos online here.









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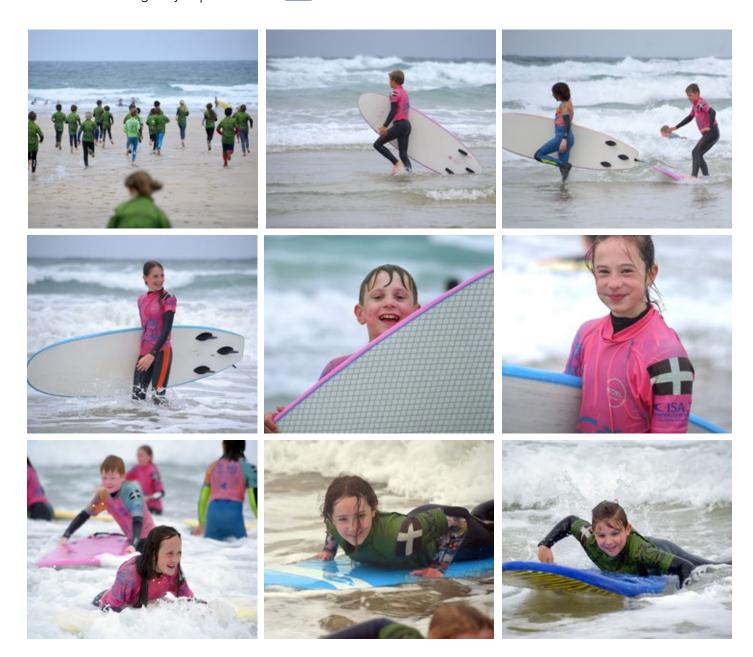
Surfs Up for Year 6

As their time at Truro School Prep draws to a close, our Year 6 classes headed to South Fistral Beach for a memorable surf day. The annual event is something our eldest pupils look forward to and is a special time for the children to relax after a year of hard work.

Led by Global Boarders Surf School, our courageous pupils donned their wet suits and took to the water. The session was designed to be enjoyable for surfers of all abilities; from the nervous 'toe-dippers' to the keen surf nippers.

It was fantastic to see all of our pupils grow in confidence as the day progressed and delightful to see them enjoying themselves in our beautiful Cornish waters.

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Truro's Hedgehogs on Tour

Eagle-eyed passers-by of the Trafalgar Roundabout in Truro, which Truro School sponsors, may have noticed that one of the resident hedgehogs, Denzil, is missing.

Denzil is currently on his travels, having received a much-needed makeover, and has made a star appearance at this year's Chelsea Flower Show. He played a part in the Britain in Bloom display, celebrating 60 years of this iconic competition.

Next on his tour route is the Royal Cornwall Show (6 - 8 June 2024) where Truro School will also host a stand ready to welcome visitors.

Denzil will then return to his natural habitat on the roundabout, alongside his siblings Kizzy, Patricia and Cecil, who are awaiting their makeovers in the coming months.

Year 2 Fun at Castle Beach

Our Year 2 pupils were kings of Castle Beach as they visited this beautiful section of our South Cornish coastline. The children spent the day exploring the rock pools where they found crabs, sea snails and limpets. They loved finding different shells and seaweed and worked hard to identify them using their coastal marine life sheets.

With sand between their toes and soggy socks galore, it was a fun, educational and memorable day making the most of our unique location in Cornwall.











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Prehistoric Adventures at Kresen Kernow

Our Year 3 pupils had the chance to be archaeologists as they visited Kresen Kernow ('Cornwall Centre'), home to the world's largest collection of documents, books, maps and photographs related to Cornwall's history. With 14 miles of shelving storing over 1.5 million of Cornwall's treasured archives, the children thoroughly enjoyed their tour and the chance to explore the Cornish library.

On this visit, our pupils delved into prehistoric Britain, taking part in a thrilling workshop that gave them a chance to examine various artefacts and maps of historic sites in Cornwall. As budding archaeologists, they were able to uncover some fantastic research that culminates their studies on the prehistoric period.

A huge thanks to all of the staff who made the trip possible and to the team at Kresen Kernow for bringing their learning to life in such a relevant and inspiring way.















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Dancing the Parables at Prep

Our lucky Year 3 and 4 classes had a visit from Spring Dance Company, in partnership with the Mid Cornwall Methodist Circuit.

The dancers, comprising Helen, David and Velda, brought the parables to life with an exciting blend of questions, quizzes and expressive dance routines. With points up for grabs and plot twists led by the children, our dancers explored the Good Samaritan and other stories, trying to encourage thinking about motivation and meaning, whilst having lots of fun moving their bodies.

As our photos show, the sessions were extremely enjoyable and we would like to thank the Spring Dance Company for such a memorable learning experience.















Sports Updates

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Athletics Events at Prep

This week, we hosted athletics events on Tuesday (Year 3 and 4) and Wednesday (Year 5) against three local schools: Bosvigo, Truro High and Polwhele House.

Each school arrived with a mixed team of 20 children, which meant that over 80 children were involved each afternoon. Every child competed in four individual events (60m / 75m sprint, 400m / 600m, long jump and vortex throw) and a $4 \times 50m$ relay.

Each afternoon showcased outstanding track and field performances, and every child who participated should feel very proud of their achievements.

Year 3 Squad: Jack, Mabel, Theo, Christopher, Albie, Freddy, James, Oliver, Niah, Daisy, Elodie, Seren, Harleen.

60m sprints: Freddy (1st), Mabel (1st), Christopher (2nd), Theo (2nd), Jack (2nd), Niah (2nd), Harleen (3rd), James (3rd)

400m: Jack (1st), Mabel (3rd), Christopher (3rd)

Vortex throw: Mabel (1st), Seren (2nd), James (2nd), Harleen (3rd), Jack (3rd)

Long jump: Jack (1st), Freddy (2nd)

Year 4 Squad: Ethan, Arthur W, Sienna, Fjola, Rohan, Ashleigh, Ollie S, Barney, Audrey, Hennie, Tom, Arthur H.

60m sprints: Ashleigh (1st), Sienna (1st), Arthur W (1st), Arthur H (1st), Ethan (2nd), Audrey (3rd)

400m: Sienna (2nd), Arthur (3rd)

Vortex throw: Rohan (1st), Arthur H (2nd), Ashleigh (3rd)

Long jump: Rohan (3rd)

Year 5 Squad: Poppy, Alyssia, Cora, Ellie, Tilda, Rosie, Phoebe, Bo, Annie, Charlie, Miles, Digby, Reggie, Fitzwilliam, Rory, Henry, William L, Scott, Woody, Tristan

75m sprints: Cora (1st), Woody (1st), William L (1st), Fitzwilliam (1st), Henry (1st), Poppy (2nd), Tristan (2nd), Charlie (2nd), Reggie (2nd), Bo (2nd), Alyssia (2nd), Annie (3rd), Phoebe (3rd), Tilda (3rd), Ellie (3rd), Miles (3rd), Rory (3rd)

600m: Phoebe (1st), Reggie (2nd), Alyssia (2nd), Ellie (3rd)

Vortex throw: Rosie (2nd), Miles (2nd), Alyssia (3rd), Tristan (3rd)

Long jump: Poppy (3rd), Woody (3rd)



Family Focus

News & Information for Parents

Family focus: Guiding Your Child Through Puberty: An approach for parents

As parents, witnessing children transition through puberty can evoke a range of emotions—from pride in their growth to concern about the challenges they may face. Puberty marks a significant milestone in their journey to adulthood, and our role as guides through this transformative period is crucial. Here are some compassionate strategies to help support your child through puberty.

Open Communication:

Establishing open and honest communication with your child is essential during puberty. Create a safe space where they feel comfortable discussing their thoughts, feelings, and questions. Encourage them to ask about the changes they're experiencing and listen actively without judgment. Your willingness to listen and validate their experiences fosters trust and strengthens your bond.

Educate and Normalise:

Puberty can be a confusing time for children as they navigate unfamiliar physical and emotional changes. Take the initiative to educate them about the biological processes of puberty in age-appropriate language. Normalize discussions about topics such as menstruation, body image, and sexual health, emphasizing that these changes are natural and nothing to be ashamed of. Providing accurate information helps dispel myths and reduces anxiety.

Respect Privacy and Boundaries:

While open communication is vital, it's also important to respect your child's privacy and boundaries. Understand that they may feel uncomfortable discussing certain topics or sharing every detail of their experiences. Offer support while respecting their need for autonomy and personal space. Trust is built on mutual respect, and honouring your child's boundaries strengthens your relationship.

Provide Supportive Resources:

Puberty can raise a multitude of questions and concerns for both children and parents. Arm yourself with resources such as books, websites, and reputable online platforms dedicated to puberty and adolescent development. These resources offer valuable information and guidance, serving as a supplement to your conversations with your child. Additionally, consider seeking advice from healthcare professionals for specialised support.

Emotional Support:

Puberty is not just a physical transition—it's also an emotional journey filled with ups and downs. Be empathetic and supportive as your child navigates their emotions. Offer encouragement, validation, and reassurance during moments of uncertainty or vulnerability. Help them develop healthy coping mechanisms, such as mindfulness, journaling, or creative outlets, to manage stress and express their feelings constructively.



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Patience and Understanding:

Above all, approach puberty with patience, understanding, and unconditional love. Recognise that every child's journey through puberty is unique, and they may require varying levels of support at different stages. Be patient with their mood swings, uncertainties, and growing pains, offering guidance and encouragement along the way. Your unwavering support serves as a guiding light through the turbulence of adolescence, fostering resilience and confidence in your child.

Some resources you may find useful:

www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/you-your-body/puberty/puberty-body/

www.familylives.org.uk

Book: Puberty For Tween Girls: Aged 8-12: The Only Book You Need to Understand, Love & Praise Your Changing Body, Mind & Emotions (For Preteen Girls) by Thriving Minds

Book: What's Happening to Me? Boy (Facts Of Life) (What and Why) By Alex Frith

Pre-Prep Achievements



Our Learning This Week:

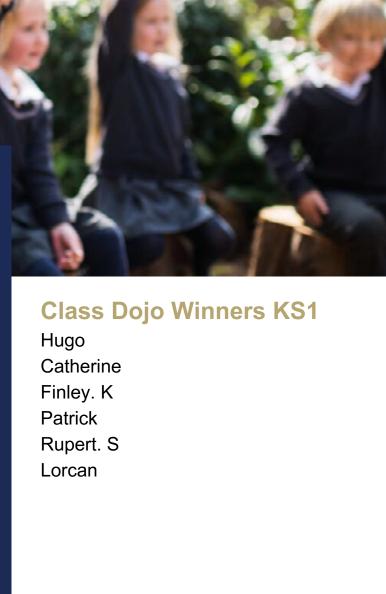
Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year.

The week certainly started with a lot of fun and excitement for Year 2, courtesy of their Falmouth beach trip. The children had a wonderful time exploring local habitats and the coastline. Furthermore, Year 2 has continued to work on their Leavers' assembly and I am delighted to report that it is coming together very well.

In the Nursery, the children have made the most of their time, both in and out of the classroom – developing their reading skills and enjoying the sunshine (and popcorn!) during Forest School. In Reception, the children have matched their determination in the classroom whilst they have been on the athletics track as they prepare for our Sports Day. Year 1 completed the 'vegetable scraps' experiment and studied the different ways our vegetables had grown throughout half term.

Please remember to look at the dates in the weekly updates as many different events are happening over the next few weeks.

The whole Pre-Prep team wishes you and your families a lovely weekend and we shall see you all next week!







House Point Form Champions

3ME: Ella C, Arthur R

3SM: Mabel
4LL: Sienna
4SC: Harry
5CD: Elliott
5LJ: Will
5SL: Penny

Merit Awards

Silver Merit Awards

4SC: Samuel

Times Tables Challenge

3ME: Greta, Arthur, Harleen

Handwriting

Pen Licences have been awarded to the following pupils:

3ME: Erin, Wilfred 3SM: Niah, Ramona







Rugby

Congratulations to Samuel P who was awarded the Club Man of the Year at Truro RFC Under 9's end-of-season awards - for being a great teammate and for enjoying a consistently excellent rugby season.

Football

Congratulations to George M and Lissie C who have both been selected to represent West Cornwall for U11 football.

Judo

Congratulations to the following children who took part in the Peninsula Inter Schools Judo Day at

Mount Kelly: 3ME: Kai, Boe 3SM: Zander 4SC: Samuel 5CD: Charlie 5LJ: Rupert

5SL: Ellie

Well done to all the children who took part in the Kozoku Orange, Yellow, and Red Belt Competition Round 2 on Sunday 1st June at Porthtowan.

The results were: Rupert RS: Gold Charlie DR: Gold Will S: Bronze Jenny V: Bronze

Rupert was also awarded 1st place in his weight category.



JOIN US ON SATURDAY 22ND JUNE 12-3PM

TEDDY TOMBOLA | GAMES | BBQ | BOUNCY CASTLE & MORE









YOU ARE INVITED TO

ADAYAT TRURO PREP SPORTS DAY

CELEBRATE WITH US ON FRIDAY 21 JUNE 2024

DRESS TO IMPRESS IN YOUR CHILD'S HOUSE COLOURS!

FEAST WITH A PICNIC BOX (PRE-ORDER BELOW)!

WIN PRIZES FOR THE BEST HOUSE SPIRIT!



FTS Friends of Truro School



Coffee Morning

Please join us for an informal meet-up on the last Friday of every month; old and new faces are always welcome.

Friday 28th June: Prep Dining Hall

from 8.45 am





Presents



Book & Lyrics by Tom Macrae Music by Dan Gillespie Sells From an idea by Jonathan Butterell

WHERE

BURRELL THEATRE, TRENNICK LN, TRURO

TR1 1TH

WHEN

FROM AUGUST 29TH TO SEPTEMBER 1ST 2024 -2.30PM AND 7.30PM

SHOWS

HOW TO BOOK:

VIA OUR WEBSITE AT BOOMTHEATRE.UK OR THE QR CODE HERE

This amateur production of Everybody's Talking About Jamie; Teen Edition is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd www.concordtheatricals.co.uk



Pre Prep

Wraparound

Each Monday morning the registration sign up will be cleared and then reopened for the following week's Wraparound care.

Please use this QR code or the Forms link to register for wraparound.

https://forms.office.com/e/VZUiYbg1Ff

