

End of Term Bulletin

5 JULY 2024: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES

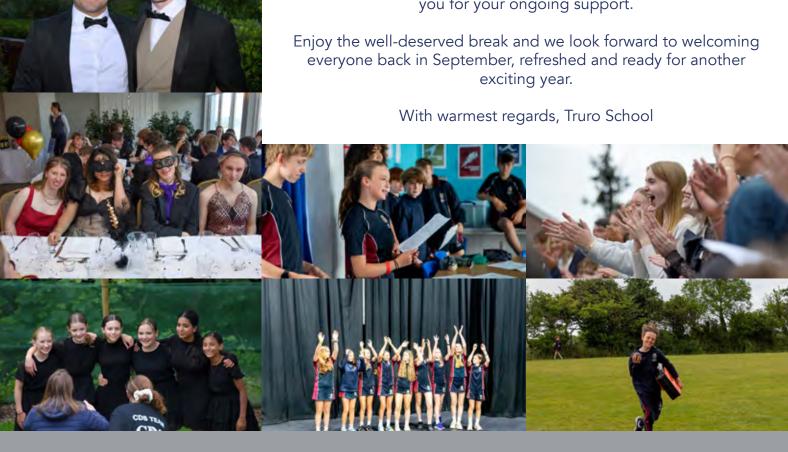




As we approach the end of this remarkable academic year, and in advance of the Head's End of Term letter next week, we are pleased to share the highlights from this week and the wider Festival period in this end of term bulletin.

In light of the recent election results, we understand there may be questions and considerations about how this might impact our school community. Therefore, we encourage you to read the message from our Chief Operating Officer on Page 2, which addresses some of these points.

As we break for the holidays, we wish you all a restful and joyous time with your families and extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your ongoing support.





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Election Message from the Chief Operating Officer:

Following the outcome of the general election, we are now aware that VAT is very likely to be imposed on School Fees. We will continue to follow any announcements closely and once there is more clarity around the direction of travel for VAT on school fees, we will review the position and communicate regularly alongside the developments. There are still variables about how VAT may be introduced and when, and we have several scenarios forecast depending on the detail of the legislation.

Whichever direction is followed we recognise the difficulty this will place on parents and families within our community. In all cases, we maintain our commitment to the highest quality of education at the School. Should it be necessary, there are some steps that the School will be able to take to mitigate the full impact of VAT on fees to parents. These steps include:

- The likelihood of the School being able to recover some of our costs either through input VAT or from our capital investments. The input VAT reclaim will be relatively modest because our largest cost is staffing. Our capital investment reclaim will be clearer once the method of introducing VAT is identified. In both areas, we will ensure we recover what we can.
- An expectation that the Governing Body, once the full details of any potential VAT imposition are clear, will review how the School might be able to absorb any part of the burden of additional costs for parents.
- Retention, in all scenarios, of our commitment to a means tested bursary award scheme, which will be updated as required in response to the VAT approach.
- Ongoing clear and timely communication with you about the situation, as and when it develops, and any more concrete details become known.

Should you wish to discuss any payment options or have concerns with the School, please contact our finance department through the <u>salesledger@truroschool.com</u> address.



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AUTUMN TERM 2024

Monday, 2 September

Boarders' transport departs Heathrow at 10am

New boarders arrive from 2pm

Tuesday, 3 September

New boarders' Induction Day

Staff INSET

Wednesday, 4 September

Induction Day (all new pupils Senior and Sixth)

Existing boarders return from 2pm

Thursday, 5 September

Autumn Term begins

NOTICES:

Wednesday Afternoon Activities Autumn Term 2024

The Autumn Term booklet has been emailed to all parents. Please ensure you have signed up for your child's four Wednesday Afternoon Activities (WAA) choices by Monday 2 September, 9am.

Pupils will find out their allocated activity via their form tutor by Friday 6 September. Only those pupils who are taking part in offsite activities will be sent a letter home including any waivers or pre sign up forms required.

WAA starts on Wednesday 11 September with the last session taking place on 11 December – There will be 12 sessions in total.

Clubs and Activities Autumn Term 2024

Clubs and activities will begin on the first day of school, Thursday 5 September.

The Clubs and Activities list will be emailed to all parents on Monday 2 September with an updated version available in the Friday Bulletin on 6 September.

Shortlisted for Prestigious Awards

We are thrilled to announce Truro School has been shortlisted in two of the most highly coveted categories at the Independent Schools of the Year (ISOTY) 2024 Awards: 'Co-educational Independent School of the Year' and 'Independent Prep School of the Year.'

Recognised as the leading awards in the UK independent education sector, the ISOTY Awards celebrate excellence in education.

Being shortlisted for these awards is a huge honour, reflecting the dedication and hard work of our teachers, staff, pupils and students. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the ISOTY judges for recognising our commitment to providing outstanding co-educational opportunities and for considering Truro School Senior and Prep to be 'best in class'.





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Fond Farewells and Treasured Memories

Last Friday we bid farewell to our phenomenal cohort of Upper Sixth as they leave us to embark on bright futures.

Their final day at Truro School was a mixture of fun and reflection. Dressed in their old school uniform, the morning was packed with a delicious breakfast and games on the field including the highly-anticipated sumo suit wrestling and bungee run. This was followed by a year group assembly, with light-hearted awards presented and memories shared.

A joyfully moving Chapel service, led by Rev. Helen, included heartfelt reflections by Macarena, Lexie and Tom S who spoke beautifully about their respective journeys through the School and the bonds created between friends through success, sometimes adversity and the fun of shared learning and creativity. The Upper Sixth then moved to a delightful Afternoon Tea on the lawn with loved ones.

The day was a time for our Leavers to reflect on their journeys thus far and the futures that await them. View the full gallery here > https://www.truroschool.com/latest-news/fond-farewells-and-treasured-memories/

626 Transition Day

New Head Girl Elowyn has been very busy organising a transition day for the Year 6 pupils at Truro School Prep to help ease their transition to the Senior School in September.

Entirely student-led, the aptly named '626 Day' provides our Year 6s with a dynamic carousel of activities including a Maths scavenger hunt, Physics and Biology practical sessions and creating fossil casts for Geology.

It was a fantastic opportunity for our Year 6s to get acquainted with new subjects while forming all-important bonds with their new prefect team.

Thanks to all of the staff and Prefects who made the afternoon so enjoyable, with special thanks to Elowyn for creating such a purposeful and meaningful afternoon for our soon-to-be 1st Years.





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Sixth Form Ball

The Harbour Hotel in St Ives hosted our Leavers' Ball, welcoming our departing Upper Sixth and their families in style. The masked partygoers revelled in the Cornish charm of the event but the highlight of the evening was undoubtedly the sense of celebration and camaraderie, as students and their loved ones marked this significant milestone together.

This cohort has been remarkable in their dedication to their academic studies and ability to look beyond themselves and reach out to our wider community. We do not doubt that they will all be hugely successful and we wish them a restful summer ahead of their exam results in August. View the full gallery here.



No Courage Without Fear

Our 4th Year pupils and Sixth Formers attended a talk from Johnny Lawrence, a self-development coach, speaker, and podcaster. Johnny talked about fear, discussing the various types of fear people may encounter and emphasising the learned nature of fear and its connection to comfort.

He also touched upon motivation, discipline, and procrastination. Drawing from his background as a fitness coach and referencing the six E's of leadership and excellence. Johnny highlighted the importance of embracing fear as a natural response. This culminated in the thought-provoking "rocking chair test" in which individuals reflect on how they might view their regrets and successes as 90-year-olds.

A Lightbulb Moment

Our Eco-Coordinators have been distributing 'energy saving' stickers to classrooms and offices across the Senior School. They aim to raise awareness to turn off lights and switches when not in use and at the end of the day to save energy and reduce waste. The design for the sticker was created by 1st Year Isso.

Well done to Isso and thanks to our Eco Team and Mrs Udry for this brilliant initiative.





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Thinking Global and Acting Local

The Senior School has been advocating for change and empowering individuals to raise their voices as courageous advocates. World AIMS Day, initiated by MIST Schools and led by Rev Helen, with support from key charities, aims to raise awareness of societal issues and promote positive change in the world.

Various departments organised thought-provoking activities for the pupils to develop their thinking, understand the rights and responsibilities of society and encourage creative solutions to problems. You can read the story in full <a href="https://example.com/here/be/h



Musicals Night Delights

Musicals Night on the Terraces was an unforgettable evening, showcasing a spectacular array of hits from the musicals, with welcome guests from Penair joining us on stage.

The night featured beloved numbers from classic and contemporary musicals, including Fiddler on the Roof, Miss Saigon, My Fair Lady, Tangled, Beauty and the Beast, and the modern favourites Hamilton and Crossroads.

A huge thank you to all the staff and performers whose hard work, dedication and exceptional talent made this event possible.

Enthusiasm for Biopsychology

Lower Sixth psychologists have been courageous in researching and presenting a range of topics linked to their recent studies in Biopsychology.

They have explored localisation of function in the brain, explaining which parts of the brain control which body functions and behaviour. This included cakes showing all the cerebral lobes and cortexes. They also dissected a jelly brain to reveal Broca and Wernicke's areas, the language centres, in the left hemisphere. An examination into research evidence of plasticity of the hippocampus proved very informative.

Read more > https://www.truroschool.com/latest-news/enthusiasm-for-biopsychology/





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Lark Rise on the Terraces

The Truro School Terraces have been transformed into an idyllic country hamlet for the junior play production of Lark Rise.

1st to 3rd Year pupils from the WAA drama group, have worked with the English and drama department to bring this production to life. The performances include some wonderfully quirky characters in funny scenes, poignant moments, and uplifting tunes provided by our talented musicians.

Thank you to Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Husband, the drama department, our musical team led by Samson H, and the tech and events teams for their invaluable support. More photos <u>here</u>



Environmental Stewardship

Thank you to Mrs Thurlow for creating an outstanding schedule for our 1st Year pupils who remained at school during Camp. The schedule focussed on "Protecting and Preserving Nature" and "Creating Change and Making an Impact."

Throughout the days, pupils engaged in a variety of enriching activities culminating in writing short news stories about their experiences.



Indie-Rae and Aria wrote, "In periods 1 and 2 on Tuesday morning, the six 1st Year pupils enjoyed making prints inspired by nature that could be used for their RS project if they wished, thanks to Mrs. Rashidi. They were able to make as many as they wanted and use whatever colours they liked." Continuing, they wrote, "On Monday, they enjoyed a morning of drama alongside Mrs. Lobb and Mrs. Sanderson. They were creating minute-long adverts about either how to become connected with nature or raising awareness of global warming. They all formed groups and then began to think of how to portray their message through their actions. By the end of the lesson, they had fully thought out their ads and performed them in front of their peers. All in all, it was a fantastic opportunity to let their creative nature free of timetable."



Ricky, Nick and Matipa wrote, "On Tuesday, the 1st Years went on a litter pick from Truro School to Boscawen Park. Each pupil collected roughly 25 items each, which totaled a massive 150 items of litter and trash! The 1st Year pupils did this for the Environment, and it is fun helping the community in different ways! After the 1st Years returned to school they organised the litter into different bags for different disposals. The kids had an amazing experience with it all and they all loved it! Ricky said: "I love helping out, it really makes my day!" Matipa said: "It was an amazing experience to take part in!" Nick said: "It was a beautiful day to have an adventure!"

Thank you 1st Years for your fantastic news stories. You can have a job at Bulletin HQ anytime you wish!



OUR FESTIVAL CHARITY

We're raising money to support Old Truronian Max Levene's (CO10) challenge to be the first tetraplegic to reach the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro.

Truro School community are fundraising for Max Levene to climb Mount Kilimanjaro to raise funds to support the RFU Injured Players Foundation (IPF) and The Inspire Foundation. He will become the first tetraplegic to reach the summit. Please donate to support him in achieving this mammoth challenge.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/truroschool-max-levene







































Cornwall Dance School at Truro School

DANCE LESSONS

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK FOR THE AUTUMN TERM
OR CLICK HERE



GRADE 3/4 BALLET: MONDAY 4 - 5PM
GRADE 3 CONTEMPORARY/MODERN/JAZZ: MONDAY 5 - 6PM
GRADE 5 INTERMEDIATE BALLET: TUESDAY 4 - 5PM
GRADE 5 CONTEMPORARY/MODERN/JAZZ: TUESDAY 5 - 6PM
STREET DANCE: THURSDAY 4 - 5PM

"You must commit to a whole term. Each class is charged at £8 per lesson. Classes do not run during school holidays. For any questions please contact Mr Oldfield at BTO@truroschool.com

ACTIVITY CAMPS

SUMMER SCHEDULE 2024

JULY

Wednesday 24th - Multi Sport Activity Camp Thursday 25th - Multi Sport Activity Camp Friday 26th - Multi Sport Activity Camp Monday 29th - Multi Sport Activity Camp, Bushcraft Tuesday 30th - Multi Sport Activity Camp, Bushcraft Wed 31st - Multi Sport Activity Camp, Art workshop

AUGUST

Thursday 1st - Multi Sport Activity Camp, Bushcraft Friday 2nd - Multi Sport Activity Camp Monday 5th - Multi Sport Activity Camp, Bushcraft Tuesday 6th - Drama Workshop, Bushcraft Wednesday 7th - Drama Workshop, Art workshop Thursday 8th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Friday 9th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Monday 12th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Tuesday 13th - Multi Sport Activity Camp, Bushcraft, Elevate Hockey

Wednesday 14th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Thursday 15th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Friday 16th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Monday 19th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Tuesday 20th - Multi Sport Activity Camp, Bushcraft

Wednesday 21st Netball Camp 7-11yrs, Multi Sport Activity Camp

Thursday 22nd - Netball Camp 11-14yrs, Multi Sport Activity Camp

Friday 23rd - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Tuesday 27th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Wednesday 28th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Thursday 29th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Friday 30th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

SEPTEMBER

Monday 2nd - Multi Sport Activity Camp Tuesday 3rd - Multi Sport Activity Camp

BOOKINGS GO LIVE MONDAY 1ST JULY!

NEW SPORTS OF CENTRE

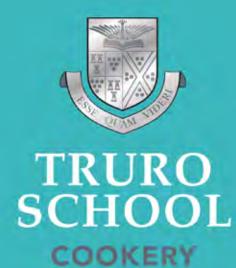
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HERON TENNIS HOLIDAY CAMPS 2024

FOR AGES 5-9 YRS | 9.00AM-12.00PM

AVAILABLE DATES

- WEDNESDAY 31ST JULYWEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST
- FRIDAY 2ND AUGUST
- WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST
 WEDNESDAY 14TH AUGUST
- FRIDAY 9TH AUGUST
 FRIDAY 16TH AUGUST
- WEDNESDAY 21ST AUGUST
- FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST

£21 MEMBERS/ £24 NON-MEMBERS PER SESSION

FOR AGES 10YRS + | 1.00PM-4.00PM

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