



## Principal's Introduction

As we come to the end of a busy summer term, it is time to look back and reflect on some of our achievements. The Y11 and Y13 students this year worked extremely hard and completed their examinations. The new styled exams were challenging, but having made use of the Easter school lessons and half term revision, most students rose to these challenges. A couple of weeks ago we were proud to see them graduate at St Eustachius church in front of their proud parents and teachers. The prom allowed our hardworking students to celebrate in style and many teachers were there to have fun with them as the year comes to an end.

Other notable events included our annual Sports Day. We avoided the rain for this event in June and were delighted to welcome Alex Beddoes, the Olympic 800m athlete from the Cook Islands to give out significant medals to the winners of events. We had a really successful day and many college records were broken. Many thanks to the PE Faculty and all the volunteers that helped make this a superb day.

Phil Ruse represented us at the DfE Character Awards in June where we discovered that we had reached the final. We were highly commended in the awards and this is a reflection of all the extra-curricular activities and opportunities afforded to our students. One of the winning activities in this award was the first ever Tavistock College dog show, organised and run by students. Thank you to all of you who came and supported us with this event in May. The Tavistock Historical society visited to see an archive of photographs set to film, and were very happy to reminisce about their days at Tavistock School. Not satisfied with getting so far in the Youth Speaks competition this year, we entered, and won, the Carnegie Award with an extremely moving piece entitled "One" which will be shown at the Celebration Evening on Monday, an event I am very much looking forward to.

Our annual production of 'Oliver' brought the house down with so many wonderful performances, both dramatic and vocal. It was a very proud moment for the cast to receive a standing ovation and it was a very fitting end to such a successful year. None of this could have been achieved without the hard work of the Creative Arts Faculty and the technical crew, but it was the dedication, vision and direction of Eva Pearson that made it so special. Modestly she will tell us that the students were just superb in their own right, but, as an audience member pointed out to her, she was the one who 'unlocked the box'.

A number of staff are leaving the College in the summer, some who have been with us for a number of years:-

Matthew Lea

Tom Briars

Caroline Yeo

Gary King, who is taking up his post as Deputy Headteacher at Isca Academy

Peter Hake, who is retiring after 25 years at the college

Sally Hubbard who is retiring after 31 years at the college.

We wish all of them well for the future and hope they will be happy with whatever they do next. We are also losing another valuable member of our community as Jane Beard steps down as the chair of the PTA. She has contributed a huge amount to the leadership of the PTA and we are all extremely grateful for her work over the years.

We have appointed new teachers who have undertaken their induction and who are really looking forward to taking up their posts in September:

Bradley Turner (Head of English Faculty)

Barry Palmer (Assistant Principal and computing/business teacher)

Jennifer Hayward (KS3 Science co-ordinator and biology teacher)

Andrew Reed (Physics teacher)

Neil Bentley (Chemistry teacher)

Rebecca Egan (Biology teacher)

Hannah Holbourn (Mathematics teacher)

Sophie Pendle (English teacher)

Francesca Roncarati (Science teacher)

Kate Pedlar (DT Technician)

I would like to remind you of key dates that are coming up soon:

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	A Level Results Day
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	GCSE Results Day
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	6th form enrolment day
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	First day of term for all students

Thank you to all of our parents for the support you give to the college. Over the last term we have hosted many events and visits and these would have far less impact without your support. I look forward to welcoming all students back to school in September, well rested, well dressed and ready to learn.

Have a lovely summer



Sarah Jones, Principal

## Key dates

**Tuesday 19th July**

Last day of Term

**Friday 2 September**

Non Pupil Day/Staff

Training Day

**Monday 5**

**September**

First Day of Term

**Wednesday 12**

**October**

Non Pupil Day/Staff

Training Day

**Monday 24 October**

**- Friday 28 October**

Half Term

**Friday 16 December**

Last Day of Autumn Term



## Tavistock College welcomes survivor from the Holocaust Educational Trust

On 13th June 6th form and Y9 students from Tavistock College heard testimony from Holocaust survivor, Janine Webber, as part of a visit organised by the Holocaust Educational Trust (HET).

The testimony was followed by a question and answer session to enable students to better understand

the nature of the Holocaust and to explore its lessons in more depth. The visit was part of the Holocaust Educational Trust's extensive all year round Outreach Programme, which is available to schools across the UK.

Sarah Jones, Principal at Tavistock College said:

"It was a privilege for us to welcome Janine Webber to our school and her testimony will remain a powerful reminder of the horrors so many experienced. We are grateful to the Holocaust Educational Trust for co-ordinating the visit and we hope that by hearing Janine's testimony, it will encourage our students to learn from the lessons of the Holocaust and make a positive difference in their own lives."

Karen Pollock MBE, Chief Executive of the Holocaust Educational Trust added:

"The Holocaust Educational Trust educates and engages students from across the UK, from all communities about the Holocaust and there can be no better way than through the first-hand testimony of a survivor. Janine's story is one of tremendous courage during horrific circumstances and by hearing her testimony, students will have the opportunity to learn *where prejudice and racism can ultimately lead*.

*"At the Trust, we impart the history of the Holocaust to young people, to ensure that we honour the memory of those whose lives were lost and take forward the lessons taught by those who survived"*



## Lessons from Auschwitz Project

Emily Nunn and Mathew Chambers recently represented Tavistock College in 'The Lessons From Auschwitz Project' run by the Holocaust Memorial Trust. It is a course exploring the universal lessons of the Holocaust and its relevance for today. The LFA Project aims to increase knowledge and understanding of the Holocaust for young people and to clearly highlight what can happen if prejudice and racism become acceptable. Both students took part in a one day visit to the Nazi concentration and death camp of Auschwitz-Birkenau. Emily and Matthew found the visit exceptionally moving and demanding: however, both are really glad that they were able to be part of the project and are looking forward to sharing their experiences with the wider college community

## Schooldays Remembered

About 50 former pupils of Tavistock Grammar School, from the classes of 1946-1952, recently came to the college to watch a fascinating film of life at the school during the reign of Mr Anderson, headmaster 1947-1954. Sports Day, Founders Day, swimming (at Bannawell Street pool), dramatic productions, the cadets' visit to Warminster and cross country running featured in the film, taken by Mr Anderson and passed on to the school this year by his daughter Mrs Hilary Richardson. It was a time for memories, reminiscences and meeting up with old classmates, while we were all struck by seeing a steam train pass by on the horizon – a real insight into the changes that time has brought. Sporting activities during those days brought several sharp gasps from the PE staff there – Mr Forster said he was surprised so many had survived shot put and javelin practice then! Visitors were served refreshments by current Year 7 students and memories recorded by Year 10 History students, to be kept for the archive in due course. Mr Forster produced the old house shield and was able to tell the visitors that the winning house in 1950 was Drake which brought loud cheers from the audience. Tavistock Grammar School then was situated in what is now Tavistock County Primary School so at the end the visitors went out onto the field to get their bearings and there was much that was still familiar.

Altogether it was a wonderful experience for the current staff and students to meet up with so many alumni, such as the Head Girl for 1953 Jennifer Stephens (now Sanders). They were all delighted to be able to turn back the clock and remember their schooldays, which by all accounts were highly disciplined but also great fun.

Helen Harris, who organises these days, said: 'The College is planning to have more such Archive Days and while we do have an extensive collection of photographs we would welcome any film or video footage. Even if it is on old film reels, or VHS tapes, our technical experts can transcribe such footage for a digital age. Please do get in touch if you can help.'







## Animal Care



As part of Animal Care for Year 7, the college recently incubated and hatched out some bantam chicks. Year 7 students enjoyed seeing the day old chicks, and will see them grow up and come to join the various animals kept at the college.



## Phoenix Project Success

The Phoenix project is aimed at students who are somewhat disengaged with education and is designed to build self-esteem and instil a sense of responsibility. We try to get the very best from all those who attend in an attempt to boost their confidence and prove to themselves that they can succeed when things get tough.

I am so very proud of what our Students have managed to achieve this week. They have been taken out of their comfort zone and faced a new challenge every day. They have shown resilience and moral courage throughout. They have stuck together and worked as a team to accomplish their goals.

*Mr Prescott*



## Product of the Year 2016

This May, Tavistock College's technology faculty hosted it's fifth annual Product of the Year event showcasing the tremendous array of talent the college's students have to offer in their design and practical skills. Over 200 visitors came along to the competition and exhibition, each voting for their favourite products in categories ranging from product design to fashion and food technology. The quality of work being proudly shown off by the 74 students involved was superb and the evening was a fantastic opportunity for students to talk to the public about their projects. During the event there was also an exciting 'tech zone' which demonstrated lots of new technologies including the college's three new 3D printers, two GreenPower electric race cars and a variety of intelligent robots. The winners on the night were as follows:

KS3 Product Design: Avie Venner and the Spinner Slinger Sausage Dog

KS3 Bake Off: Natalie Rowe and Lauren Isaacs and the Breakfast Munching Muffins

KS4 Bake Off: Phoebe Smith and Lauren Anderson and 'The Queen's 90th Birthday Cake'

KS3 Textiles: Lucy Carter

KS4 Textiles: Becky Phelpstead

KS5 Textiles: Beth O'Boyle

Y10 Resistant Materials: Ben Prout and his contemporary speakers

Y11 Resistant Materials: Mawgan James and his counter balanced lamp and storage.

KS5 Product Design: Dominic Newton and his interactive desk with inbuilt electronics.

Overall Product of the Year: Dominic Newton (as above)

A huge thank you to the event's sponsors who kindly donated generous prizes for the students. These were

Towls of Tavistock, Brigid Foley and The Technology Company.







## GreenPower Formula 24 Newquay Grand Prix

Two teams of Tavistock College students had a fantastic day of racing and engineering challenge this June, where they raced their single seat electric race cars against 34 other south west school teams.

Throughout the year, the students have been hard at work after school and in their lunchtimes working with the Technology Faculty to design and build their cars.

The younger team which comprised of year 8 and 9 students Nathan Savage, Joe McCormick, Esme Lovell and Sam Thomson, all of whom applied for the team in October constructed their car from kit form. Starting from a steel chassis kit, this team created a great car which they named 'Dust Devil'.

The senior team which includes year 10 students Tom Harrison, Bryce Lovell, Ben Anning, Jack Kerswill, Cameron Stuart and year 7 student Charlie Elkington were racing their second car named 'Silver Surfer'. This one they designed and engineered from scratch out of much lighter aluminium in order to improve their efficiency in these endurance style races. Creating such a project is a significant challenge and the car looks fantastic.

Tom Harrison says "Building it from scratch was a huge challenge, but it was also a lot more rewarding when we had finished it, to see it racing against other teams. It has been a massively inspiring project for all the team and we have all picked up many useful skills along the way."

Both cars were taken down to the race at Newquay's St Mawgan airport and the students spent the day tweaking their vehicles, solving a wide range of engineering issues and racing in the two 90 minute races of the day. Against 34 other school teams, the racing was



incredible. The aim is to cover as much distance as possible in the 90 minutes. The cars which run off two car batteries and an electric motor all vary in design and performance although very few school teams attempt a custom build like our senior team and usually start with the steel chassis.

Mr Pete Keegan who leads on GreenPower at the college said "The students were just incredible. I was so proud to see them keeping a cool head when technical issues were arising and solving them through the engineering skills they have developed over this last couple of years. Being involved in GreenPower is so inspiring"

For our second year being part of the GreenPower scheme, we were pleased with our best result of 15th but more importantly the students have come away with great enthusiasm and ideas for the future developments of their cars. We will hopefully be racing them again at Brands Hatch this September.

A huge thank you to our sponsors which include among many others Tavistock Lions, Tavistock Round Table and Robey Trust, The two teams are funded solely through sponsorship and fundraising and are always very grateful

of financial or practical support. If you would like to sponsor the teams or be involved please get in touch with Mr Pete Keegan at [p.keegan@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk](mailto:p.keegan@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk)







## OLIVER

Despite having done a number of big shows I think I had somewhat forgotten what a huge undertaking a whole school musical production is! Over the year of planning and the 6 ½ months in production creating Oliver has been simultaneously exciting, exhausting, fabulous, frustrating, joyful, daunting and exhilarating for all the staff and students involved. We were inspired by the hope and love

in the rags to riches story and the Art, Textiles and Design teams took Steampunk as their creative inspiration to make Oliver's world. The live band was always important to us and the decision to have them on stage was at once exciting and challenging with the musical score being intricate and complex. However, the iconic music coupled with our demanding choreography, intimate audience seating and detailed characterisation we wanted to create always drove our vision of the show.

The physical demands of putting on this show were huge with the majority of students on stage for most of the 2 hours 20 mins, 24 musical numbers, 10 whole cast and many group

and individual dances, a wealth of spoken lines, fight scenes, acrobatics and mime – the hours of rehearsal to creatively and artistically choreograph and move large numbers of people safely around in character required ultimate focus from the young cast. The skills acquired whilst putting on school shows go far beyond performing, however, and the time management, negotiation, organisational, marketing, resilience and perseverance needed might not be easily measurable but certainly will stay with these young people for life.

With over sixty students involved on stage (and just as many off), 3 sell out shows, each with a standing ovation, and the look of pure pride on students faces at what they had achieved at the end of Saturday night, I feel we can say it was worth it!! We are acutely aware that we are very privileged at Tavistock College to work with such talented and determined students with a huge passion and respect for the Arts, and hope we can continue to put them in a position to shine. We are entering the summer holidays grateful for all the support we receive, a tired but immensely proud Creative Arts Faculty.







## Political Speed Dating

30 Year 7 students took part in the college's political speed dating event this summer, meeting 10 local councillors and finding out how local democracy works. In 7 minutes with each councillor, they were able to put their own views forward and asked challenging questions on a wide range of local topics



– the councillors found the session informative and very useful in giving them a chance to hear the views of young people, while one student said afterwards; 'That was really interesting – I found out a lot that I never knew before!'



## Congratulations

to all of the Year 11 and Year 13 students who have graduated from Tavistock College this term. We wish you every success for the future.







## Careers and the Future Summer Term 2016



### Future Careers Fair

On Friday April 15<sup>th</sup> Tavistock College and The Devon Chamber of Commerce held a Futures Careers Fair in the College Main Hall. All Year 10 and the Sixth Form were able to attend.

Students were able to find out about a wide variety of career and further education opportunities.

Exhibitors included local employers, the armed forces, local universities and further education colleges as well as the National Careers Service and Careers South West.

Feedback from exhibitors and students was excellent.



### Network Game Design Competition

Sogoodstudios and Devon Collaborative Outreach Network Game character design competition winners were:

First Prize - Shannon Argue

Runners up - Nathan Savage and Billy Fletcher.

The students spent a day at Plymouth University where Shannon saw her character Sir Jestelot uploaded into the game. The students had a tour of the university including the navigation simulation centre.



### Careers Advice

Fred Jenkins from Careers South west has continued to provide independent impartial careers advice to students on an appointment basis.

### Work Experience

Both Year 12 and Year 10 participated in work experience during July. The majority of students, securing a meaningful placement, enjoying and learning from the experience.

Students will have completed a work experience diary and evaluation, which they can refer to when making future education and career plans

Cathy Sharp

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## Engineering Education Scheme



design a method for testing a computer rack's ability to withstand being dropped while in transit. As the computer racks are worth anything up to a quarter of a million pounds this is a very real problem.

The team worked with Mr Neil Wylie, the chief engineer from Rittal CSM, each week in after school meetings and also in 3 day residential at Plymouth University. Their product design was so successful that it not only won the Devon and Cornwall EES competition but was also adopted by Rittal CSM to be used in their factories across Europe.

Mr Quinlan

Tavistock College entered a team of four year 12 students into The Engineering Education Scheme again this year. The scheme links teams of students and their teacher with local companies to work on real, scientific, engineering and technological problems. Selecting this year's team was the first challenge as there was a large field of applicants willing and ready to take on the six month task. The interview panel was made up of engineers and teachers; the successful students were Dominic Newton, Peter Alexander, Hugo Challis and Camilla Snowden. Camilla was chosen by the team to be the project leader.

The team's brief was to





## Improving Links with College

To keep your child/ren safe and ensure their well-being, we are constantly looking for ways to improve our links with you and keep everyone up-to-date and well informed. As sending written information home is sometimes unreliable; we have decided to implement Schoolcomms, an electronic school communication system. This will enable you to receive all your information from school quickly and reliably. We can send letters by email and short messages directly to your mobile phone as a text message, or if you have an Apple or Android mobile phone, by app message.

## SIMs Learning Gateway

SIMs Learning Gateway is a web portal which allows you to access real time information about your child's behaviour, attendance and achievement data. It also tells you specifically what homework your child has on a particular night. We hope that this will help to strengthen our communication so that the students achieve even better. We need the blue form to be returned to us as soon as possible so that we can issue passwords. If you need a new letter or did not receive one from us in the post please email [g.young@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk](mailto:g.young@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk).

## Improved text messaging system

From time to time, we send information to parents via text message to your mobile phone. A new, free, smartphone app for parents is now available for download called 'School Gateway' for Apple (iPhone 3GS or later, iPad, iPod Touch) and Android (2.3 / Gingerbread or later) devices. Please could you download this new app to your phone (it's free) as it will help us improve communication with parents – and save the school money.

The set-up process is simple and will take no more than a couple of minutes:

1. Search for "School Gateway" in the Apple App Store/Google Play or on your phone go to [www.schoolgateway.com/apple](http://www.schoolgateway.com/apple) (Apple) or [www.schoolgateway.com/android](http://www.schoolgateway.com/android) (Android)
2. Install the app and if you are asked then say yes to "Allow Push Notifications"
3. When you launch School Gateway for the first time, please select 'New User' and enter the email address and mobile telephone number you have registered with the school
4. The system will send a PIN code to your phone; please enter this PIN code and the app will be activated for you.

As soon as you've got the system set-up, all of the text messages we send you will appear in the app; you'll receive notifications/alerts as normal.

## Are You Thinking about Becoming a Teacher?

If you already have a degree why not consider training to be a teacher. Our School Direct programme offers places locally to train for primary or secondary teaching.

The secondary programme offers places for English, Maths, Physics, and Modern Languages.

If you would like to know more, please contact:

Helen Carr at the college 01822 614231 or email [h.carr@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk](mailto:h.carr@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk)

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SPORTS CENTRE**  
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**MARK WICKETT**  
SOCCER SCHOOL



## Summer Holiday Camp

Mon 25th July - Weds 24th August

Day / Date	Activity	Age Group
<b>Monday</b> 25th July 01st Aug 08th Aug 15th Aug 22nd Aug	Football Multi-Skills Football Multi-Skills Football	9 - 11
<b>Tuesday</b> 26th July 02nd Aug 09th Aug 16th Aug 23rd Aug	All Multi Skill Days Cricket, Tennis, Hockey & Frisbee	5 - 8
<b>Wednesday</b> 27th July 03rd Aug 10th Aug 17th Aug 24th Aug	Football & Goalkeeping	5 - 8

All classes run from 10am - 4pm  
and cost £10 (cash) or £11 (cheque) per child.  
All payments MUST be made 7 days before start date

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# Important Information

## Risks Your Child May Face Online

As with the real world, there are risks online and it's important that you teach your child how to navigate them.

Cyberbullying

Grooming

Inappropriate websites

Losing control over pictures or video

Online reputation

Overuse / addiction

Viruses, hacking and security



**Offer reassurance and support.** Your child may be in need of emotional support or feel like they have nowhere to turn. It is rare that cyberbullying is only taking place online and is often someone your child knows through school or a group they attend. Their school should have policies and procedures for dealing with cyberbullying. Your child could visit CyberMentors. This is an online counselling service with a difference; the counsellors are also children and young people. This site has proved

very popular and offers practical advice - [www.cybermentors.org.uk](http://www.cybermentors.org.uk)

**Tell your child that if they are being bullied to always keep the evidence.** Whether it's a text message or email, tell them not to reply to the bully or delete the comments. Ask your child if they know the bully or where the messages are coming from. Often it is someone within the school environment and can be dealt with quickly and effectively with assistance from the school.

**Block the bullies.** If someone is bullying your child on a social networking or chat site encourage them to block or delete the individual so that they can't be contacted by them anymore.

**Report any bullying content to the website it's hosted on.** If content has been posted, for example a video or image, which is upsetting your child you should report it to the website, for example, Facebook. Learn how you would report content on sites like Facebook and YouTube; every site is different. Contacting the website is the only way to get the offensive content removed, unless it is illegal. In cases of illegal content - for example indecent images or videos of young people under 18 - contact your local police or report it to CEOP.



## What tools are available to help me keep my child safe?

Technical tools-such as parental controls

Reporting tools-explore the Click CEOP reporting pages

Education tool-use the Thinkuknow programme with your child [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

## Child Protection

Tavistock College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people.

The Child Protection Officers for Tavistock College are:

**Senior Designated Safeguarding and Prevent Lead**

Barbara Manning, Vice Principal

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead**

Alexandra Thomas, Health and Multi Agency Co-ordinator

**Safeguarding Team**

Jo Northmore - Behaviour Intervention Manager, Jane Brown – Student Engagement & Aspirations Manager,

Paul Prescott – Student Engagement & Aspirations Manager, Justin Mifsud – SENDco,

Hazel Blackmore – Head of Y7, Julie Greener – Head of Y8, Nick Read – Head of Y9,

Sonia Fox – Head of Y10, Neil Hosking - Head of Y11,

Julie Edwards – Deputy SENDCo, Jon Coupland – Safeguarding Governor

Local Authority Designated Officer - LADO helpline: 01392 384964

secure email address: [ladosecure-mailbox@devon.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:ladosecure-mailbox@devon.gcsx.gov.uk)

If you have any concerns regarding the safety and welfare of any student please feel free to discuss your concerns in confidence with any one of the Officers.

All can be contacted via the school switchboard on: 01822 614231

Guidelines about the new County Safeguarding Guidance – 'Keeping Children Safe' 'Paragraph 227 states that – Parents/carers using Facebook, Twitter and other social media to make derogatory remarks about staff is not acceptable under prohibition on reporting or publishing allegations about teachers in section 141F of the Education Act 2002





# Important Information

## The Prevent strategy

### What is the Prevent strategy?

Prevent is a government strategy designed to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorist or extremist causes.

The Prevent strategy covers all types of terrorism and extremism, including the extreme right wing, violent Islamist groups and other causes.

### How does the Prevent strategy apply to schools?

From July 2015 all schools (as well as other organisations) have a duty to safeguard children from radicalisation and extremism.

This means we have a responsibility to protect children from extremist and violent views the same way we protect them from drugs or gang violence.

Importantly, we can provide a safe place for pupils to discuss these issues so they better understand how to protect themselves.

### What does this mean in practice?

Many of the things we already do in school to help children become positive, happy members of society also contribute to the Prevent strategy.

These include:

- Exploring other cultures and religions and promoting diversity
- Challenging prejudices and racist comments
- Developing critical thinking skills and a strong, positive self-identity
- Promoting the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils, as well as British values such as democracy

We will also protect children from the risk of radicalisation, for example by using filters on the internet to make sure they can't access extremist and terrorist material, or by vetting visitors who come into school to work with pupils.

Different schools will carry out the Prevent duty in different ways, depending on the age of the children and the needs of the community.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### How does Prevent relate to British values?

Schools have been required to promote British values since 2014, and this will continue to be part of our response to the Prevent strategy.

British values include:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty and mutual respect
- Tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

### Isn't my child too young to learn about extremism?

The Prevent strategy is not just about discussing extremism itself, which may not be appropriate for younger children. It is also about teaching children values such as tolerance and mutual respect.

The school will make sure any discussions are suitable for the age and maturity of the children involved.

### Is extremism really a risk in our area?

Extremism can take many forms, including political, religious and misogynistic extremism. Some of these may be a bigger threat in our area than others.

We will give children the skills to protect them from any extremist views they may encounter, now or later in their lives.

## KEY TERMS

**Extremism** - vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values such as democracy, the rule of law and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

**Ideology** - a set of beliefs

**Terrorism** - a violent action against people or property, designed to create fear and advance a political, religious or ideological cause

**Radicalisation** - the process by which a person comes to support extremism and terrorism

**Prejudice** - to make a decision based on preconceived opinions or feelings

**Discrimination** - take action in favour of or against a person based on class, group, race etc.

## Where to go for more information

### Contact the school

If you have any questions or concerns about the Prevent strategy and what it means for your child, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

The Prevent Lead is the Vice Principal, Barbara Manning.

### See our policies

You will find more details about radicalisation in our safeguarding policy, available on our website. We also have information about spiritual, moral, social and cultural development and British values.

### External sources

The following sources may also be useful for further information:

Prevent duty guidance: for England and Wales, HM Government [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/417943/Prevent\\_Duty\\_Guidance\\_England\\_Wales.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/417943/Prevent_Duty_Guidance_England_Wales.pdf)

Frequently asked questions, Prevent For Schools [http://www.preventforschools.org/?category\\_id=38](http://www.preventforschools.org/?category_id=38)

What is Prevent? Let's Talk About It <http://www.ltai.info/what-is-prevent/>





# Important Information

## Educational Visits and Trips

Please note that ALL cheques for trip/visit/activities MUST be made payable to Devon County Council and NOT Tavistock College.

Monies can be paid at the hatch in Student Services at the following times: Daily 8.30 – 9am and Monday and Wednesday 1.30 – 2pm.

Can you please ensure that the following information is clearly written on the back of cheques:

- Student name
- Tutor group
- Details of what the payment is for



## Vehicular Access to College

Parents are reminded that students should not be dropped off or collected by car between 08.20am - 08.50am and 3.10pm and 3.30pm unless authorised. Full details can be found on the College website: <http://tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk/pear/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/141107-All-Parents-Car-Park-Let.pdf> This letter gives details of alternate safe routes into the college.

Thank you for your cooperation

## School meals - online payments

Our provider for online payments for school meals is Schoolcomms.

**Schoolcomms**  
all together, smarter

To get up and running you need to open a School Gateway account using the email address and mobile phone number registered with the college as your primary contact details. Have a look at the Parent Communication section of our website [www.tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk](http://www.tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk) for full details on how to set up your School Gateway account. Once set up you will be able to top up your account, see a record of payments and a list of your son/daughter's meal choices. The quickest and easiest way to access your account is via the School Gateway App – it's free to download and is available for Apple (iPhone 3GS or later, iPad, iPod Touch) and Android (2.3/ Gingerbread or later) devices and can be downloaded from the Apple App Store/Google Play.

## School Transport

1. Tavistock College supports the (DCC) Devon County Council's "No Pass No Travel Scheme" that operates on transport to and from this school.
  2. Only students who show a valid travel pass to the driver on every journey will be allowed to travel. Students must travel on the vehicle indicated on their pass.
  3. Please ensure that your child has their travel pass before they leave home every day.
  4. Please ensure that your child knows what to do in the event they are not allowed to travel or the bus does not arrive (e.g. because of breakdown or traffic conditions or severe weather). School attendance is very important and it is best to be prepared for any of these eventualities.
  5. DCC will carry out regular pass checks throughout the year.
  6. Drivers are not allowed to carry passengers who cannot show a valid pass.
  7. If your child loses their pass during the day they should go to the administration office to ask for a 10 day temporary pass. Replacement passes cost £5 each and can be ordered online, or by sending a cheque with a replacement form.
- Further info available at: [http://www.devon.gov.uk/school\\_transport](http://www.devon.gov.uk/school_transport)

## End of Term Travel Arrangements

On Tuesday 19th July the College will have an earlier finish at 1.30pm with the College buses and taxis leaving the site at 1.40pm. Having checked each of the public service bus timetables we recommend that students catching these services leave at the following times:

<b>City Bus 11 (TAV 118) serving Okehampton/ Lydford/ Brentor/Mary Tavy</b>	Students will need to catch this bus from Tavistock Bus Station at 12.32pm. Timetables available at <a href="http://www.plymouthbus.co.uk/timetables/">www.plymouthbus.co.uk/timetables/</a>  Students will need to leave college at 12.10pm.
<b>Stagecoach buses to Plymouth</b>	Students will need to catch these buses from Plymouth Road at 1.42pm. Timetable available at <a href="http://www.stagecoachbus.com">www.stagecoachbus.com</a>  Students may leave the college at 1.30pm.
<b>Target Travel - TAV185 serving Bere Alston</b>	Students will need to catch this bus at 1.00pm from Tavistock Bus Station, Plymouth Road. Timetable available at <a href="http://www.targettravel.co.uk">www.targettravel.co.uk</a>  Students may leave the College at 12.30pm.

## Communication

We have invested considerable time and effort into improving our lines of communication with parents, carers and the local community as a whole. You can now keep up to date with day to day College news and essential information via these sources:



Facebook.com/TavistockCollege



[www.YouTube.com/tavicollegeuk](http://www.YouTube.com/tavicollegeuk)



Twitter: @tavicollege



[www.tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk](http://www.tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk)



[pinterest.com/tavicollege/](http://pinterest.com/tavicollege/)

Groupcall: This is a facility where we can text parents short messages direct to your mobile phone.

In addition we also have the facility available for you to sign up to updates from the College direct to your personal email account.





## Wimbledon 2016

On Wednesday 6th July, 31 year 7-13 pupils were given the amazing opportunity to go and watch world class tennis players to include British Ladies number one seed Johanna Konta. They were able to experience the beauty of Wimbledon and it's court two delights, with a guided coach tour of London, and shopping time at Cribbs Causeway the following day. The pupils had a great trip, and were a credit to the school. Many thanks to the staff who came and helped out on the trip; Mrs Carr, Mr Beer and Mr Chambers.

*Miss Hodge*



## GLAM trip to Meadowlands

On Monday 27th June, 28 year 10 girls went to Meadowlands for a recreational swim session. It was great to see a range of pupils from across all of the PE groups enjoying PE and being physically active!

## Devon Rotary Youth Games

### badminton:

- West Devon Girls (including Natasha Romanal) won the girls competition by beating the other five areas entered.
- West Devon Boys (including Edward Tipton and Ben Stoneman) came runners-up in the boys competition only losing one match along the way.
- Celine Conley helped coach the players and acted as the manager on the day and ably organised the girls and boys squads
- Molly Davies helped coach the players leading up to the competition but was unable to help on the day due to her Oliver commitments.

Overall West Devon won both the Sportsmanship Trophy and the Event Trophy - as far as I am aware no other area has ever won both trophies at the same event!

The event, this year, was held in Simmons Park, Okehampton and proved to be a great success for everyone involved. Over 1200 youngsters took part in 15 different sports.

*Alan Berry - badminton coach*

## Sports Day Results

### Results by Year

Position	House	Points
1st	Simmonds	340
2nd	Ennis	339
3rd	Daley	325
4th	Ainslie	296



### Overall positions

	S	D	A	E
Year 7 Girls	60	36	35	24
Year 7 Boys	36	40	32	59
Year 8 Girls	22	41	52	42
Year 8 Boys	58	38	34	42
Year 9 Girls	37	55	46	8
Year 9 Boys	36	39	42	52
Year 10 Girls	41	37	31	41
Year 10 Boys	50	45	24	71