



Student & Parent

Fortnightly

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What a few weeks it has been since I last wrote for the Fortnightly Focus, the college has been alive and a buzz with activity both curriculum and extra-curricular with an amazing spectacular of drama, music and dance at our recent Showcase event, our brilliantly attended 6th Form open evening or indeed the College Remembrance service held in St Eustachius church. Activities that show the dedication and commitment of our staff and students to show the college off in its best possible light across their community. As we move into the festive season we start to think about our end of year events including more from our amazing creative arts faculty, the Sports Personality of the Year Awards and our community carol service, all of which will be fantastic events showcasing and celebrating the fantastic talents we have here at the college across all forms. We hope that you are able to join us at some of these events, and for any more information, as ever, please just ask! *Mr Forster*



Following Tavistock College's very moving and reflective Remembrance Day service in St Eustachius, there was a retiring collection in aid of the Royal British Legion and Help for Heroes. This week cheques for £90 to each organisation were presented to Mr Christie and Nigel Baxter by Mrs Sarah Jones, Principal, and representatives of some of the different groups of students who took part in the service. Arbe Angelo Nepomuceno was there on behalf of those students at the college who speak a second language, and at the service spoke in Tagalog giving a message of peace to all. Connie Ballard, who lost her father in the Iraq war, laid a wreath on behalf of families affected by conflict, while cadet George Blyth represented the college cadets at the service and also laid a wreath on behalf of the college, as we remembered all those from Tavistock College and the town who died in the two world wars and subsequent conflicts around the globe. *Mrs Harris*



Sport Results

Tuesday 10th November

Plymouth & West Devon Schools Cross Country @ Staddiscombe, Plymouth

Year 7 Girls

Tabitha Myler - 9th, Grace Baker - 35th, Chelsie Saward - 47th

Year 7 Boys

Dan Luckham - 5th, Joe Dix - 6th, Freddie Fuller - 12th, Evan Ord - 19th, Archie Gray - 31st, Louis Higgs - 36th, Jacob Decieco

Junior Girls

Connie Ballard - 10th, Mia Cole - 23rd

Junior Boys

Ben Edmunds - 7th, Jack Baker - 46th

Inter Boys

Tom White - 9th, Nile Taylor - 13th, Toby Higgs - 22nd

Senior Boys

Josh Blake - 2nd, Henry Ware - 9th

Senior Girls

Jenny Sabine - 5th

Eleven students qualified for the Devon Championships to represent Plymouth & West Devon Schools.

Performance of the day was from Josh Blake who came 2nd in the Senior boys and will send him through to the regional finals. Top 10 positions for Dan Luckham (Y7) 5th, Joe Dix (Y7) 6th, Ben Edmunds (Y9) 7th, Tom White (Y10) 9th, Tabitha Myler (Y7) 9th, and Jenny Sabine (Senior Girls) 5th. Some amazing results against a very strong field.



Thursday 12th November

Year 7 Rugby – Cunningham Cup – Tavistock College came 3rd out of 12 schools in West Devon

Tuesday 17th November

Year 8 Rugby – Central Venue Rugby Tournament. The U13 tournament was attended by 9 schools from in and around the Plymouth area. Stand out performances from Ollie Thursby with 2 tries and George Cole for commitment left Tavistock with 3 place in the Trophy competition.



Dates for the diary

November

W/C 23rd November

Year 11 Post 16 Interviews

Monday 23rd November

Year 9 Girls HPV Vaccinations

Wednesday 25th November

Exeter Cathedral Student Debate – Selection of 6th Form Students out of school all day
Year 11 Art Mock Exam

Thursday 26th November

Sports Awards Evening

W/C 30th November

Year 11 Post 16 Interviews

Thursday 3rd December

Year 13 Parents Evening

Getting to know your staff

Mrs N Jeaynes

1) What's the best part of your job?

Sharing in the excitement when students are enthralled with a science practical or demo

2) When you were little what was your dream job?

Any job where I could help people

3) Football or Rugby?

Rugby-no question

4) If you've had a really rubbish day, how do you cheer yourself up?

Go for a run on the moor-whatever the weather

5) If you could have a superpower for a day, what would it be?

Teleportation so I could see more people without the travel time

6) Who is the most inspirational person you know?

My mum

7) Give us one interesting fact about yourself.

Two: I am a rock climber and have sung in the Royal Albert Hall for concerts and Songs of Praise



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