



## Welcome back



Welcome back and a very happy new year to you all. A new year brings new challenges as well as new opportunities, and there will be plenty of both on offer at Tavistock College in 2017. We look forward to a year that will bring the first full year of the reintroduced house system, the first level 3 Sports Scholars tour to the USA, the launch of our new rewards programme, a full year in partnership with Theatre Royal Plymouth and a host of different teaching and learning experiences for all students in the school. We hope that you enjoy the journey with us! *Mr Forster*

## Focus on the PTFA

The PTFA were busy over the festive period, hosting their annual Christmas Fayre. The fayre included over 30 stalls for local sellers, and students running their Young Co-Operatives and fundraising for the Borneo Camps International trip or local charities. This is a large scale fundraiser that our parent volunteers organise each autumn term after the huge success of the Goose Fair parking day, where they sell spaces in the colleges car park from dusk until dawn in the cold and wet to raise much needed funds for the school and various projects which the PTFA chooses to support. As well as the fundraising they held their first social event, taking the college minibuses to the Padstow Christmas Market to take in the sights, smells and tastes of Christmas.

The PTFA are busy planning their spring fundraisers and social events and are meeting on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm in the Innovation Suite to come up with some new ideas and we would love to see some new members, you are all very welcome. For any more details please email [t.forster@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk](mailto:t.forster@tavistockcollege.devon.sch.uk). *Mr Forster*

## Have Your Say Day

House Council students led by their House Captains and Vice Captains collated over 450 questionnaires worth of data.

There was a really good 'buzz' around, it was great! This is the single biggest response to Student Voice since I have been involved over the last 3 years!

This quantitative data will be vital as a stand-alone piece of work but even more important when compared with staff and parent data.

*Mr Forster*



Head Girl of St Andrews with Tavistock College Head Boy and Girl after discussing plans to support military families - more exiting news to follow!

## Diary Dates

<b>Wed 11 Jan</b>	Year 8 Parents Evening
Mon 16 Jan	PTFA Meeting
<b>Fri 27 Jan</b>	Holocaust Survivors Talk
<b>Mon 30 Jan</b>	Year 7 Science Museum Trip - Drake and Glanville
<b>Wed 1 Feb</b>	Year 7 Science Museum Trip - Bedford, Fitzford and Tremayne
<b>Wed 22 Feb</b>	Year 12 Parents Evening
<b>Thurs 28 Feb</b>	Founders Day
<b>Wed 1 March</b>	Parent Voice Forum
<b>Half Term</b>	Mon 13 – Fri 17 February
<b>Easter Break</b>	Mon 3 March – Mon 17 April inclusive

## Question Time

Do you have questions about what is happening in our community?

Would you like to be able to ask them directly to the people who are responsible for making decisions?

County Councillor and a West Devon Borough Councillor for Tavistock Electoral Area, Debo Sellis, has arranged Tavistock Question Time, to be held on Friday 3rd February at Tavistock Town Hall from 7.30 - 9.00pm

The Question Master will be Cllr Robert Oxborough, who will oversee the panel:

- Alison Hernandez, Police & Crime Commissioner, supported by a police officer able to help with operational issue questions.
- The Head Boy and Head Girl of Tavistock College, who will create an interesting and useful dynamic.
- Cllr Philip Sanders, who has a wealth of knowledge and is responsible for many areas associated with Local Government.
- Two representatives from the Clinical Commissioning Groups (Commissioning & Operational). Tavistock Hospital, and health care in general is an important and relevant subject. We will have a representative who will be directly involved with the Tavistock area and issues regarding health.

*Debo Sellis*

# EXTRA-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

P.E. LUNCH CLUBS 1.30 - 2.00	
CLUB	WHEN / WHERE
FITNESS SUITE	MON, WED, THUR, FRI FITNESS SUITE
BASKETBALL	MON, SPORTS HALL
VOLLEYBALL	TUES, SPORTS HALL
CHEERLEADING	WED, SPORTS HALL
BADMINGTON	THURS, SPORTS HALL
NON TRADITIONAL GAMES	FRI, SPORTS HALL

P.E. CLUBS 3.30-4.45	
CLUB	WHEN / WHERE
KS4 EXAM CAFE / COURSEWORK	MON, WED P5
SCHOLARS NETBALL	MON, WED P5
SCHOLARS FOOTBALL	MON, WED P5
KS5 ENRICHMENT	MON, WED P5
Y7 & Y10 FOOTBALL	TUES
ALL YEARS BASKETBALL	TUES GYM
ALL YEARS FITNESS SUITE	TUES
ALL YEARS NETBALL	TUES
ALL YEARS VOLLEYBALL	TUES SPORTS HALL
ALL YEARS GIRLS RUGBY	TUES
Y7-Y9 RUGBY	THURS
ALL YEARS BADMINTON	THURS
ALL YEARS FITNESS SUITE	THURS
ALL YEARS HOCKEY	THURS
ALL YEARS CROSS COUNTRY	THURS
Y11 FOOTBALL	THURS
ALL YEARS GIRLS FOOTBALL	THURS
ALL YEARS TABLE TENNIS	THURS
ALL YEARS NETBALL	THURS
ALL YEARS G.L.A.M	THURS

## Cross-country success

Following on from the recent success of Tavistock college cross-country runners, 6 students will be representing West Devon at the Devon schools Cross-country Championships at Stover School on Saturday 21st January.

These outstanding athletes are – Matt Brimacombe (Y7), Joe Dix (Y8), Dan Luckham (Y8), William Russell (Y8), Connie Ballard (Y9), Will Dax (seniors). This is a fantastic achievement and follows on from recent success for the Year 8 boys mentioned above in other competitions across the county. In the recent Westward cross-country Devon championships the three year 8 boys all placed in the top 10 - William Russell – 6th, Dan Luckham – 8th and Joe Dix – 10th. All these students have shown great athleticism and consistency to perform at the highest standards and wish them well for the upcoming events. *Mr Hulbert*

CREATIVE ARTS LUNCH CLUBS		
DEPT	CLUB	WHEN / WHERE
ART	BOOKABLE ART ROOM	EVERY LUNCHTIME
ARTS AWARD	BRONZE A AND SILVER B	WEDNESDAY <b>INVITATION ONLY</b> - DR1
DANCE	BOOKABLE DANCE STUDIO	MON, WED & FRI DR1 & DANCE STUDIO
DRAMA	Y10 - Y13 PERFORMANCE POETRY	MONDAY - DR3
DRAMA	BOOKABLE DRAMA STUDIO	WED & FRI - DR2
DRAMA	Y7 DRAMA CLUB	THURSDAY - DR2
MEDIA	FILM CLUB	<b>WEEK A</b> - MON, TUES, WED, FRI - MS1
MEDIA	RADIO STATION	EVERY LUNCHTIME
MUSIC	GCSE & A LEVEL SINGING CATCH UP	MONDAY
MUSIC	BOOKABLE MUSIC ROOMS	MON, TUES, WED
MUSIC	KS3 MUSIC CLUB - ALL ABILITIES	MONDAY - MU3
MUSIC	GCSE MUSIC CATCH UP	TUESDAY - MU3
MUSIC	OPEN MIC	FRIDAY - MU3
MUSIC	VOX	FRIDAY - MU1
TECH	TUCKERS TECHIES	1ST THURSDAY OF MONTH - HALL

CREATIVE ARTS CLUBS		
DEPT	CLUB	WHEN / WHERE
ART	PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB	Y8 & 9 WEEK A Y7 WEEK B MON, TUES 3.15 - 4.45 A2
ART	ART CLUB ALL YEARS	3.15 - 4.45 WED A1
ART	GCSE & A LEVEL CATCH UP	3.20 - 4.45 WED A1
ART	PHOTOGRAPHY GCSE & A LEVEL CATCH UP	3.15 - 4.45 THUR A2
DANCE	GCSE & A LEVEL CATCH UP	MON, TUES, THUR BOOKABLE WITH MRS MADELEY
DANCE	Y10-Y13 DANCE	WED 3.20 - 4.20 DANCE STUDIO
MEDIA	GEEK CLUB	MON, TUES P5 FOR 6TH FORM 3.15-4.45 ALL YEARS
MUSIC	GCSE MUSIC THEORY CATCH UP	WED 3.15-4.15 MU3
MUSIC	VOX	THUR 3.15-4.45 MU1

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