

For Students & Parents



Its been a busy few weeks for the college in terms of trips and visits. We run a series of trips for all year groups, at all levels within our curriculum and our extra curricular programme. Some would argue that these opportunities are as important as the things students learn in school. They encourage friendship, co-operation and an understanding of the need to get along, after all a week in someone's company that you don't get on with, isn't easy, but that in itself teaches you a lot about yourself. Here you get the opportunity to read (and watch, thanks to Mr Wates) about our school trips and why the students themselves see them as so important. *Mr Forster*

Science Museum

Every student in Year 7 had the opportunity to attend a day at the London Science Museum. The students undertook a series of workshops to broaden their science curriculum, bringing science to life. The students had an extremely long day, and were a credit to the college throughout the visits. They attended a 'How to Build a Rocket' seminar, and the world famous 'Wonderlab' completing a series of science experiments, including, creating a lightning storm, friction slides, listening to music through your teeth and creating sound waves with giant skipping ropes, as well as visiting Tim Peake's landing module following his 6 month spell in space. Seeing the students witnessing 'real science, in real life' and listening to their conversations about the day's best bits made the organisational task of having over 220 Year 7s in one of the largest museums in the world very worthwhile. See exactly what the students did in Mr Wates' video that captures the experience! https://youtu.be/203D5k7Sd0Q Mr Forster

Claviere

This February 43 students and 6 staff enjoyed the trip to the skiing resort of Claviere in Italy.



The journey was good and we arrived on schedule in a lovely resort surrounded by snow covered mountains. We were welcomed by the Halsbury Travel rep and by the hotel owner, who made us feel very welcome from the start. Despite the long journey the students were excited and it didn't take long for them to start "playing" in the snow!

The week started with foggy mountains which made skiing and snowboarding a challenging experience for the intermediate groups. Despite the weather conditions, the enthusiasm was high and everybody had a great start. On the second day the sun finally managed to break through the clouds and thick fog revealing the most beautiful scenery. Luckily the weather



remained beautiful for the remainder of the week, snow conditions were excellent making the whole experience an unforgettable one. *Mr Bergonzini*

Florida Sports Tour

30 Sixth Form students, accompanied by 5 members of staff, represented the College PE Department in Florida.

Training began on day one with a 9:00 training session for both netball



and football teams in about 23 degrees. Following this we had our Miami City Tour with a stop for lunch at an openair Cuban restaurant which was very different from anything many of us had ever tried before. That evening the girls had their first netball matches. The first team played and won against the Miami Pacesetters and the second team played a good match against the Lauderdale Netball team, but were just beaten.

The following evening the boys had their first match and won 2:1! The girls had their second matches, unfortunately they were narrowly beaten, but both teams put up a good fight.

On Tuesday evening the boys had their second match, they won 1:0, then celebrated with a McDonalds for dinner on the way back to the resort! The girls were able to watch this match and led by Mr Forster, attempted to perform some football chants. Every quarter of the football/soccer game began with a strained rendition of the national anthem much to the amusement of the American teams training.

As well as the sport we enjoyed a daytrip to Disneyland Magical Kingdom, a day shopping at an outlet mall and a day at Universal Studios.

It really was the most incredible trip. Two weeks on many of us are still having withdrawal symptoms. We really do appreciate all the time and effort the teachers put into the

trip and would like to thank Mr Forster, Mr Hulbert, Mrs Preece, Mrs Blackmore and Mr Larcombe-Moore for all they did in helping make the Sports Tour happen. *Alice Kodritsch*



Twickenham

40 pupils took the opportunity to travel to Twickenham to watch England v Italy in the 6 Nations Rugby Championship. As part of the RFU schools initiative, the pupils witnessed the highs and lows of an exciting match which showed why England are now undefeated in 17 games with 4 tries, finishing the match winning 36-15. Staff and students were in high spirits with them all fashioning their Tavistock College hats for the day and soaking up the atmosphere in and around the stadium. *Mr Corkell*





Diary Dates

Wednesdav 15 March Year 7 X Band Parents' Evenina Thursday 16 March Year 10 Vaccinations Wednesday 22 March Year 7 Y Band Parents' Evening **Tuesday 28 March** Year 10 Vaccinations Monday 3 April – Monday **17 April inclusive** Easter Break Tuesday 18 April First day of Summer Term Latest Scholastic Book Magazine available from the Library Deadline for orders: Monday 13 March

port Results	11 January	Senior Netball Team v Bodmin College (H) Tavistock 20 Bodmin 7
	12 January	Y7 & 8 Girls Indoor Cricket @ Tavistock – Tavistock lost
	19 January	Y7 & 8 Netball @ Liskeard (East Cornwall League) Y7 won two games Y8 won two games
	20 January	Y7 & 8/9 Indoor Athletics @ Ivybridge College. Tavistock came fourth overall.
	25 January	Senior Netball Team v Plymouth College (H) Tavistock 45 Plymouth College 5
	26 January	Y9 & 10 Netball @ Liskeard (East Cornwall League) Year 10 game was called off due to injury. Y9 lost
	7 February	Y10 Boys Football v Okehampton (A) Drew 1- 1 Y10 Girls Rugby v Okehampton Tavistock 8 Okehampton 9 Y10 Hockey v Okehampton Tavistock 2 Okehampton 0
	8 February	6th Form Football Team v Mount Kelly. Tavistock 2 Mount Kelly 1
S	21 February	Y7,8 9 & 10 v Callington (H) Y8 won. Y7,9 & 10 lost
	22 February	Y7,8,9 & 10 Football (H) Y7 v Okehampton Tavistock 1 Okehampton 0 – Tavistock through to County Finals. Y8 & 9 lost 4 – 1 to Okehampton. Y10 lost 2 – 0 to Ivybridge

Getting to know your staff

Mrs L Glover

 What's the best part of your job? My colleagues
When you were little what was your dream job? Nurse
If you could have one



wish, what would you wish for and why? To have more money to be able to help my children4) Football or Rugby? Rugby definitely!

5) If you've had a really rubbish day, how do you cheer yourself up? Buy some new clothes/ go for a nice meal with my husband

6) If you could have a superpower for a day, what would it be? To slow everything down and give people time for the important things

7) What is your favourite song EVER? Just My Imagination - Temptations

8) Who is the most inspirational person you know? Kathryn Blackie-Taylor

9) Give us one interesting fact about yourself. I went to live in New Zealand for 4 years when I was 18

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CONFIDENTIAL DROP IN

Every Monday at lunchtime, for all year groups. In the Phoenix Suite (At the end of the music corridor, behind the hall) No appointment necessary. School Nurse - Nicky Freer

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