



Firstly, I wish everyone a happy New Year as we welcome back all students and staff to the College.

I hope you all enjoyed and rested over the festive break in preparation for a new decade. A New Year means a new start – an opportunity to be reflective on time passed and optimistic about the future. As we set goals and make resolutions it's important to remind ourselves that the key to success is not to force change, and to understand that change doesn't always

happen overnight. Instead, the best way to fulfil your dream and achieve your goals is to form a habit; a habit for success.

Goal setting and dedication is especially pertinent to our students who are now in their important examination years (year 11 and 13). In order to support year 11 students who may not have achieved the grades they were after in their December PPEs, we have organised a parents evening on Thursday 16th January (15:45- 18:45). This will enable essential discussion including examination feedback between students, teachers and parents/carers. Subject revision will be more frequent and timetables will be generated to make everyone aware of what we are offering to deepen students' understanding in preparation for the summer.

Remember, there is no elevator to success, you have to take the stairs! Happy New Year. *Mr Stroud*



### Key Dates

#### Year 11 Exam Workshop

Wednesday, 15 January

Main Hall - Mr Hosking

#### Governors Resources Meeting

Wednesday, 15 January - 6:00 – 8:00pm  
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#### Year 11 Parents/Carers Evening

Thursday, 16 January - 3:45 – 6:45pm

#### SPotY

Thursday, 23 January

7pm – 9pm - Main Hall - Mr Hulbert

#### BTEC Sport Level 2 Exam

Monday, 27 January - L1

#### Matthew Bourne workshop

Thursday, 30 January

Main Hall - Mrs Pearson

#### Parent Council Meeting

Thursday, 30 January - 6:00 – 7:30pm

Staff Room - Mr Forster

#### Year 12 Perf Arts component unit 2

#### Community Performance

4-5 February - Main Hall - Mrs Pearson

#### Primary Day of Dance

Wednesday, 5 February - Hall, Dance

Studio, Gym, Octagon - Mrs Pearson

#### Year 12 Unit 1 Theatre Royal

Thursday, 6 February - Mrs Pearson

#### Year 9 Parents/Carers Evening

Thursday, 6 February - 3:45 – 6:45pm

Main Hall / Refectory

#### Exams

10 - 15 February - Hall

#### LAMDA Exams

Tuesday, 11 February

Dance Studio - Mrs Pearson

## Train to Teach

### with Tavistock College and Partner Schools

Start your Initial Teacher Training with Tavistock College and our Partner Schools. Whether you are looking to get into teaching straight from University or change career this could be for you. You may be based in Devon or moving to this part of the country to start your teaching career.

School Direct is an exciting new training route for top graduates, who want to be part of a school team from day one and you may be eligible for a bursary or loans to support you whilst you train.

We have places for the following subjects across our Partnership: Maths, English, Physics, MFL (Spanish & French), Chemistry, Computing, Biology, PE, Geography and Art

#### What we can offer:

We offer a one year programme of school based training within our Partnership in Devon & Cornwall. We work in partnership with Plymouth Marjon University to offer training in a range of subjects.

We offer the chance to work in different schools as well as enhancement days at Plymouth Marjon University. Through our programme you can gain both QTS and PGCE via the non-salaried route.

We offer a framework for CPD and development opportunities

#### Why Train With Us?

Cooperative Schools have a distinct ethos and they operate within a clear framework of values:

- Self Help
- Self - Responsibility
- Democracy
- Equality
- Equity
- Solidarity

We work together across Devon to raise aspirations and enable all our students to flourish. We believe that honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others is at the heart of a rounded education. We offer the opportunity for a rich and varied experience which is embedded in partnerships with primary schools, local business and the wider community.

<http://www.tavistockcollege.org/vacancies/school-direct/>

- A wide range of schools for placements
- Part of a Schools Co-operative Society
- Working in Partnership with Plymouth Marjon University
- Trained and skilled Mentors who are outstanding teachers
- Access to a wide range of professional development activities
- A career plan and support into NQT year and beyond
- A school experience in cooperative schools at the heart of the community

## Plastic Christmas Sweet Tubs

### Recycle and help local charities

Reduce the amount of single use plastics going to landfill after Christmas.

The company that recycles the college waste is offering to recycle empty plastic sweet tubs and donate the proceeds to local charities. So bring in your empty plastic sweet tubs and reduce the amount of plastics going to landfill and raise money for local charities.

A box will be in reception from Monday 16th January. *Mrs Coe*

# Acceptable Use (ICT) Policy for Pupils

Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust recognises the value of technology in children's learning and development, and recognises that Computing is a compulsory part of the national curriculum. All pupils within our Trust have the opportunity to use a range of IT resources, including internet access, as an essential part of learning.

This policy sets out the expectations of the Trust for pupils in how they use and interact with IT systems in schools and links to our other policies, including:

- Anti-bullying Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Safeguarding Policy
- Data Protection Policies
- E safety Policy and resources
- Social Media Policy and Statement
- Mobile Phone Policy
- Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) Policy
- Sex and Relationships Education (SRE)

For full details of the policy, please read the full version available on the Trust website. <https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/policies-and-documents.html>

Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust will support all pupils to be safe and responsible users of technology and:

- Become empowered and responsible digital creators and users
- Use resources and technology safely, carefully and responsibly, respecting system security and password security
- Be kind online and help create a community that is respectful and caring, on and offline
- Be safe and sensible online, and always know that all pupils can talk to a trusted adult if they are unsure or need help.

**We value safe behaviour.** Deliberately uploading or adding any images, video, sounds or text that could upset, threaten the safety of or offend any member of the school community, misuse or deliberate damage to school equipment, using technology without permission and at times that are not allowed, or bypassing school filtering and monitoring systems (this includes, but is not limited to, the use of VPN, personal hotspot devices, attempting to change school computer settings, using portable apps and anonymous browsers) will be dealt with according to our schools' Behaviour and Anti-Bullying policies.

**We recognise there are potential risks.** The Trust will take all reasonable precautions including monitoring and filtering systems, to ensure that pupils and staff are as safe as possible when using school equipment, our internet and systems. This monitoring will be proportionate and will take place in accordance with data protection (including GDPR), privacy and human rights legislation. The Trust reserves the right to monitor the activity of all users on school systems. We will refer to [saferinternet.org.uk](http://saferinternet.org.uk) provider self-certification when selecting providers to ensure they meet appropriate safety standards.

**We recognise that the internet is constantly changing.** With new apps, devices, websites and material emerging at a rapid pace. We will regularly review, identify, assess and minimise online risks, as well as examine emerging technologies for educational benefit and undertake appropriate risk assessments before use in school is permitted. The Trust cannot be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed on the internet and using mobile technologies.

**We recognise that no technical system can replace online safety education.** We will embed online safety education in curriculum delivery, wherever possible. We will model good practice when using technology and maintain a professional level of conduct in their personal use of technology, both on and off site. We will develop awareness of Esafety issues through regular training and curriculum delivery and we will take appropriate action where necessary

**All pupils and parents have an important role to play in developing responsible behaviour.** We will share this policy with pupils in school and encourage parents to read and discuss the policy with their children at home. We ask

parents/carers to role model safe and positive online behaviour and discuss online safety at home. Links to extra resources and help is on our website <https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/online-safety.html>

**Some pupils may be more vulnerable online.** This may include children in care, children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) or mental health needs, children with English as an additional language (EAL) and children experiencing trauma or loss. We will ensure that differentiated and ability appropriate online safety education, access, and support is provided to vulnerable pupils and seek input from specialist staff as appropriate, including the SENCO and Child in Care Lead.

**We respect the law.** If we believe a pupil has committed a criminal offence, we will contact the relevant authorities. School owned information systems, including Wi-Fi, must be used lawfully. The Computer Misuse Act 1990 makes the following criminal offences:

- to gain unauthorised access to computer material;
- to gain unauthorised access to computer material with intent to commit or facilitate commission of further offences or to modify computer material without authorisation.

**Students or parents can speak with the Designated Safeguarding Lead about any concerns.** We encourage pupils and parents to find out more information via other websites such as:

- [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)
- [www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)
- [www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety)
- [www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk)
- [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org)

## Pupil / Student Agreement

1. I will only use ICT systems in school, including the internet, e-mail, digital video, mobile technologies, etc. for school purposes.
2. I will only log on to the school network/ Learning Platform with my own user name and password. I will never share my username, email or password with anyone else or use anyone else's.
3. I will always log off properly when I have finished using school computers.
4. I will not download or install software on school technologies or use USB flash drives/memory sticks on school hardware.
5. I will only use my school email address for school related things.
6. I will not attempt to bypass any computer or user account restrictions to access confidential or otherwise restricted information on the school network,
7. I will not try to bypass the internet filtering system.
8. I will make sure that all electronic communications with pupils, teachers or others are responsible and sensible.
9. I will be responsible for my behaviour when using the Internet. This includes resources I access and the language I use.
10. I will not deliberately browse, download, upload or forward material that could be considered offensive or illegal. If I accidentally come across any such material I will report it immediately to my teacher.
11. I will ensure that my online activity, both in school and outside school, will not cause my school, the staff, pupils or others distress or bring them into disrepute.
12. I will support the school approach to online safety and not deliberately upload or add any images, video, sounds or text that could upset or offend any member of the school community
13. I will respect the privacy and ownership of others' work on-line at all times.
14. I understand that all my use of the Internet and other related technologies can be monitored and logged and can be made available on request to teachers.
15. I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe and that if they are not followed, school sanctions will be applied and my parent/ carer will be contacted.

# Volunteers Needed

Each week, we help over 460,000 young people develop the skills to succeed in life. But this can only happen thanks to our brilliant volunteers.



Volunteering is easier than you think. Whether you can spare an hour a month or a day a year, we have hundreds of opportunities both behind the scenes and directly supporting young people. With full support and training, you can volunteer on a flexible basis.

Not only is it incredibly rewarding and great fun, you'll learn some brilliant skills transferable to the workplace and further education.

Whether you are a young person looking to further your skills and support your DofE award or an adult looking to increase your practical skills, we can help.

We welcome volunteers from every community and background. You don't need to have been a Scout. You just need to believe in a more positive future and the difference we can make together.

Volunteer today and help us prepare more young people with Skills for Life.

[scouts.org.uk/join](http://scouts.org.uk/join)

# Spring Term PE Clubs

MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY
1 <sup>ST</sup> TEAM <b>Football</b> Mr Hulbert	YEAR 10 <b>Netball</b> Ms Hodge	YEARS 7/8 <b>Netball</b> Ms Ingleby / Ms Blackmore / Ms Doyle & coaches
1 <sup>ST</sup> TEAM <b>Netball</b> Mr Forster	ALL YEARS <b>Basketball</b> Mr Corkell & coaches	ALL YEARS <b>Badminton</b> ABE
ALL YEARS <b>Dodgeball</b> Mr Read	Year 10 sports tour <b>Rugby Fitness</b> Mr Murphy	ALL YEARS <b>Fitness Suite</b> Ms Hodge
<b>Exam Revision BTEC / VCERT Coursework</b> Ms Blackmore / Mr Corkell	YEARS 8 and 9 <b>Boys and Girls Football</b> Mr Hulbert / Mr Williams	YEARS 7 and 10 <b>Boys and Girls Football</b> Mr Read / Mr Hosking
Year 9 <b>Sports Tour Netball</b> Ms Ingleby / Ms Scorer	U15s <b>Girls Rugby / MAT Team</b> Ms Scorer	YEARS 10 Sports tour <b>Boys Rugby</b> Mr Murphy and Mr Fuller
	ALL YEARS <b>Fitness Suite</b> Mr Hosking (A) / Mr Murphy (B)	ALL YEARS <b>Hockey</b> Student coaches

# Girls Netball

In December we took 18 girls to Callington for the East Cornwall League netball competition.

The year 10 team was captained by Issey Perse and played some fantastic netball. Their first match was against a very strong Torpoint team, and despite it being an end to end game, came away with a not representative of the game score of 12-4.

Their second game saw a first appearance for Bridie Sears into the A team, playing against Liskeard. The girls took a while to settle and battled for a one all score line. Once they found their feet, they ran away with the game; 6-1 at half time. A quick switch of positions saw Charlotte Ewings move up court into goal attack, and a move around in defence. This formation enabled a clean sheet for the second half, and a final score of 13-1.

The year 9 team was captained by Millie Brimacombe. The first game saw them take on Liskeard, who were leading from the off. However Tavistock came back in the second half with superb shooting by Amy Easterbrook, with captain Millie holding the team together on court. Final score 4-3.

The second game again saw opposition from an outstanding Torpoint team, unfortunately the Tavistock girls were defeated. Despite the end result, the girls showed great sportsmanship and represented the college with commendable behaviour.

Congratulations to all involved:

**Year 9** Millie Brimacombe, Charlotte Walker, Hannah Walker, Beth Eaton, Amy Easterbrook, Sophie Wilson, Holly Harvey-Gatcum and Emma Luckham

**Year 10** Issey Perse, Amelia Aldred, Lilia Bench, Prolly Laseby, Charlotte Ewings, Bridie Sears, Claire Small, Pip Briggs and Amy Roberts  
*Ms Hodge and Ms Scorer*

# House Matches

## Results for Rugby and Netball

Current positions after 2 sports

Position	House	Points
1st	T	54
2nd	D	52
3rd	F	50
4th	B	48
5th	G	46

Next house matches will take place during March in football and handball

# Girls Futsal

In December the girls futsal team played in the West Devon schools competition. The girls ended the tournament in 3rd place after narrowly losing 2-1 in the semi finals. They are commendable for their commitment to college sport.

## Results

Okehampton - won 6-1

Dartmouth - won 8-0

Kingsbridge - lost 2-1

*Mr Corkell*

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