



Issue 17 (WK 13/07/2020)

Welcome to the last issue of the weekly newsletter that aims to keep our communication lines open between home and college.

This edition covers information about returning to school in September, uniforms ready for transition, Peace poster competition winners, a reading competition and a year in review.

All staff are returning to school on Monday 7th September for a training day including updates on standard operating procedures.. Only students in years 7 and 12 are expected in school on **Tuesday the 8th September**, this will be part of enhanced transition. Then **all years** will be expected back on **Wednesday the 9th September**. For some students and parents it will be an exciting time and for others a more anxious one. Rest assured that robust risk assessments are in place to protect the wellbeing of all staff and students. As such, you will be shortly receiving a letter of our expectations when returning. I ask you to read this carefully as the college normal operating procedures will be very different, including a one way system, staggered times, no sharing of equipment and year groups staying within their "community" in designated areas. In the new academic year teachers and support staff will be ready to start teaching with passion and enthusiasm as nothing can replace learning in a classroom. We will ensure that pupils catch up on lost learning whilst maintaining a broad and balanced curriculum in all subjects. We will be flexible to create time to address gaps in knowledge using pedagogical strategies including adaptive teaching and retrieval memory starters. The summer 2021 exam series will go ahead with Ofqual currently consulting on arrangements for those exams, including measures to mitigate any impact on pupils from time out of school.

Important dates in 2020:

Thursday 13th August - A Level Results day

Thursday 20th August - GCSE Results day

Tuesday 7th September - Year 7 and 12 students only

Wednesday 9th September - All year groups back.

If you have any additional questions please send any queries to office@tavistockcollege.org. This email is checked regularly throughout the holiday periods.

I hope you all have a lovely Summer Holiday and a chance to catch up with friends and family. We look forward to seeing some of you on result days and all students in September.

Assistant Principal

James Stroud

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TAVISTOCK UNIFORM EXCHANGE

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Donations very welcome!

Please drop any item washed and bagged into a wheelie bin at the College. These are outside the main gates

**Dont ! = Bin
Throw out
Out grown ?
Store away
Recycle**

This will take place on **Tuesday the 11th and thursday 13th of August** in the afternoon from **12:30 - 2:30**. There will be a donation box for pre-loved uniforms.

Lawsons of Tavistock

Dear Parents and Students

As we plan for the return to school we want to reassure you that we are here to help.

How to buy uniform

We continue to take orders online or over the phone and these can be delivered to you or you can Click & Collect from our store.

Order online at <https://www.lawsonshop.co.uk/school-uniform/>

Call us to order: 01822 610200

We are now open and you can come and buy from the store. At the moment our changing rooms are closed but you are welcome to buy items and try them on at home, our staff will still be on hand to help find the right size for you. Please follow the instructions in store to help us all stay safe.

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Tavistock Reading Challenge

Introducing the first Tavistock Community College Summer Reading Challenge,

'The 'Big Seven': Seven Books - Seven Weeks - Can Year Seven do it?

We want to encourage all students to keep going with their personal reading and stock their summer bookshelf with lots of lovely books. We may be holidaying at home this year but we can still travel in our imagination and gently work those reading skills. The Summer Reading List is full of brilliant reading suggestions: the latest prize winners; a few classics and some writers of other cultures. The Student Staycation Book Club will continue on line through the summer break so email Mrs Young (s.young@tavistockcollege.org) if you and your child would like an invite. Happy holidays everyone and keep reading!

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'Big Seven' Summer Reading Challenge – the list

Make your

summer bigger and brighter (whatever the weather) with the 'Big Seven' Summer Reading Challenge:

Seven Weeks – Seven Books – Can Year Seven do it?

Less Confident Readers:-	Lark by A. McGowan The Light Jar by L. Thompson The Breadwinner by D. Ellis Hetty Feather by J. Wilson Miss Nobody By T. Winter The Star Outside my Window O. Rauf Millions by F.C. Boyce The Unforgotten Coat by F.C. Boyce The Disconnect by K. David Booked by K. Alexander Jelly by J. Cotteril
Confident Readers:-	The Wild Way Home by S. Kirtley A Boy Called Ocean by C. Higgins Oh My Gods by Alexandra Sheppard The Loneliest Girl in the Universe by Lauren James Mr Creecher by C Priestly Ruby in the Smoke by P. Pullman The Graveyard Book by N. Gaiman The Weight of Water by S. Crossan



	Lampie by A. Schaap Viper's Daughter by M. Paver Secrets of a Sun King by E. Carroll One Crazy Summer by R. Williams-Gracia
Mature Readers :-	Ink by A. Broadway Bone Talk by C. Gourlay Girl. Boy. Sea by C. Vick Lenny's Book of Everything by K. Foxlee Railhead by P. Reeve Noughts and Crosses by M. Blackman The Fowl Twins by E. Colfer The Night Circus by E. Morganstern Clockwork Angel by Cassandra Clare Nowhere on Earth by N. Lake

Reading Resources on Line

booktrust.org – The Children's Laureate, Cressida Cowell is Running a 'Summer Creativity Camp' via the Book Trust website. It looks exciting.

audiobooktreasury.com – all free audio books

authorfy.com – free to join and exciting content to encourage personal reading and creative writing

audiobookbox.com – some free audio books

BBC Sounds – all free content

Topsta.com – excellent weekly lists of online reading events and competitions; reading recommendations; reading activities; author interviews – all free

The National Shelf Service – Librarians' Youtube Channel

Borrowbox website - local library ebooks to borrow for free

Meet Libby - local library app

Amazon Audible – free 30 day membership gives free access to a vast array of the latest audiobooks

Project Gutenberg – free on line copies of the classics

firststory.org.uk – creative writing charity website offers lots of engaging content for reading and writing

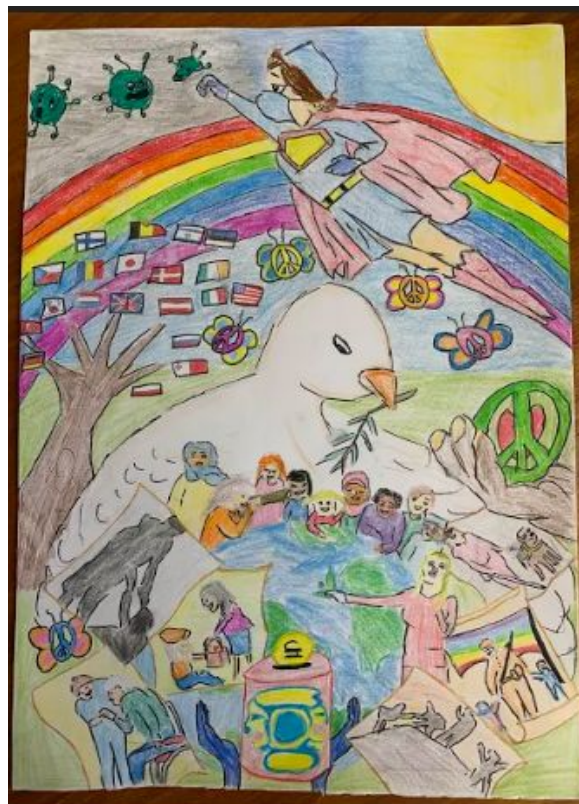
thereadingagency.org.uk – Silly Squad Summer Reading Scheme; resources and reading lists



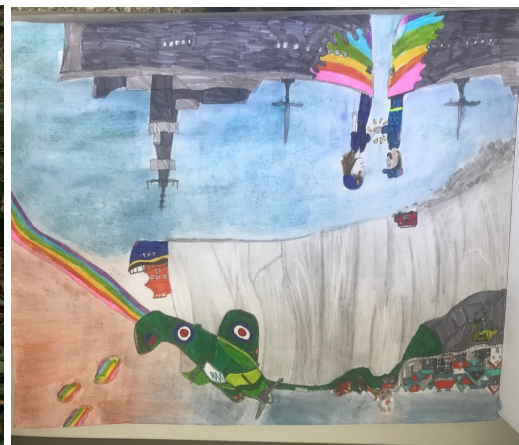
Peace Poster Competition

I am delighted to announce the Freya Whiting in 7B was the overall peace poster competition winner. There were also runners up from Tavistock College Erin Forbes 7GA and Lara Dix 7B

The winning poster - Freya Whiting



Runners up (Erin Forbes and Lara Dix)





Pupil provision information

1. In the event that personal circumstances change and a family becomes eligible for free school meals over the summer break, please contact Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust on 01837 650910 or through <https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/contact-us.html> to register a claim for food parcels.
2. Parents are reminded that information relating to provision for children and young people over the summer break can be found by referring to "Pinpoint".
<https://www.pinpointdevon.co.uk/parents-and-families/>

2019-20: The Year in Review (July 2019)

Afternoon Tea with the Anchor Group

Tavistock College Anchor Afternoon Tea

Tavistock College's Anchor group students served an Afternoon Tea to be proud of. Students organised an event that brought parents, carers, students and staff together to enjoy a wide selection of delicious homemade cakes and scones.

Students visited the Bedford Hotel where they had the most wonderful time learning about the history of the afternoon tea, sampling a perfect Devonshire cream tea and learning how to serve customers. Student's continued their research in school to perfect their menu by researching target audience preferences and taste testing different cake recipes.

The afternoon before the event, parents and carers were invited in to cook with their children to help prepare for the Afternoon Tea. There was a real sense of community spirit with everybody working together. The result was worth it, In total, 11 cakes - from lemon drizzle, to a piped coffee and walnut cake and strawberry cupcakes were made along with 45 scones!

The Afternoon Tea was a perfect end to the school year, providing an opportunity to celebrate our school community and student successes.



We would like to thank the Bedford Hotel, with special thanks to Mike Coombes Marketing Manager and Sarah Howard, Owner/Director for giving us their time, expertise, kindness and of course, the most delicious cream tea. Also thanks to Tesco for their generosity in donating ingredients and parents/carers and who have supported this event.
Mrs Harris





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