

For Students & Parents

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Welcome to the latest edition of our Fortnightly Focus for students and parents for this academic year. We have been so pleased and proud to celebrate some wonderful extra-



curricular activities and achievements over the last few weeks, details MULITACADEMY TRUST and photos of which can be found on the next few pages. We have seen our students excel in rounders competitions, show huge skill and commitment in their Ten Tors training and challenges, and demonstrate their maturity and responsibility when supporting primary school events that we have been hosting. As a school, we would like to say a big well done and thank you to all the students and staff involved in making these events so successful for our young people.

Final formal exams are now fast approaching for our year 11 and year 13 students, with many speaking and practical exams having already started in the last week or so. On Monday we will see the first full scale exams for year 11 students for 2 academic year cycles and, as such, we think it would be useful to remind students and parents of a few key changes and points that they need to be aware of. All students sitting exams have received their exam timetables with dates, times and locations. However, some key information in relation to

- AM exams start at 9am. Students should line up outside their designated exam location at 8.45am.
- PM exams start at 1.15pm. Students should line up outside their designated exam location at 1pm.
- If students are sitting their exam in the main hall, they should drop their bags and any coats/jackets into the foyer and line up outside by the front gate.
- If students are sitting their exam in the sports hall, they should line up outside, they should drop their bags and any coats/jackets into the cardio room.
- If students are sitting their exams in the exams office, they should leave bags and any coats/jackets outside in the waiting area.
- If students are sitting their exams in any other room (classroom-based) they should take their bags and any coats/jackets into the room and then leave them at the front of the classroom.
- For all students, no matter the room in which they are sitting the exam:
- All electronic devices are to be switched off and left in bags. Watches must also be removed.
- Students must only enter the room when asked to by the invigilator.

One final change, which effects all students in all year groups, is that for the duration of the exam series we will be changing the timing of recess 2, to ensure that PM exams are not starting during lunch time, when a lot of students are moving around the site. So, for the duration of the exam series, the timing of the school day will be as follows:

8.40 - 9.00am: Tutor time

- 9.00 10.00am: Period 1
- 10.00 11.00am: Period 2
- 11.00 11.30am: Recess 1
- 11.30 12.30pm: Period 3
- 12.30 1.00pm: Recess 2
- 1.00 2.00pm: Period 4
- 2.00 3.00pm: Period 5

As usual, over the next few pages, there are a number of success stories that we wish to share with you to highlight the achievements and efforts of our young people, both in and outside of the school environment. There are also some pieces of information shared which we hope may be of use to some of our families.

As always, please take care, and don't hesitate to make contact with us if we can be supportive.

Emma Herod, Assistant Principal

Ten Tors 2022

Massive congratulations to Ruby Chapell, Wilf Pedler, Ryan Winter, Danny Lee Allen, Callum Meters and Isaac Crimp for completing a very hot 10 miles for The Ten Tors Jubilee Challenge.

After camping at Okehampton Army base camp overnight (and amazingly all being quiet and asleep by 10.15) an early 4am start set them up for an amazing day and completing their Bronze Jubilee Challenge medal. All 4 year 9s involved have already signed up for hopefully doing their silver medal next year, with Wilf and Ryan hoping to take part again when they move on to Plymouth City College.

Special mention to superb team leader Ruby!

Meanwhile our 35 team, 2 x 45 teams and 55 team started their mammoth hike (with very little, if any, sleep overnight) most experienced camping out on Dartmoor, before the big push to the finish line.

MASSIVE thanks to Andy Jerrett and Stuart Hearne for giving up so much time to give the students this opportunity



Work Experience

Following 2 years of disruption we are delighted to have work experience back as part of our formal careers education programme this year. All Y10 students will complete a week of work experience during the week beginning Monday July 4th, with all of Y12 completing a similar placement during the week beginning Monday 11th July.

Already it is exciting to see the range of placements that students have secured. Local Universities, engineering firms, vets, Plymouth Argyle Football Club, the NHS and even shadowing an MP in Westminster are just some of the placements already secured by our students.

Any Y10 or Y12 students who are yet to arrange their placement are urged to speak to their form tutors or mentors, heads of year or Mr Ruse for further advice and guidance. They are competing with students from other schools and colleges so it is of paramount importance that they get their consent forms and risk assessment documents returned as soon as possible. Having high quality work experience which is linked to future career interests or ideas is one of the best ways in which students can enhance their CVs and future applications to Universities, colleges or apprenticeships.

If you are part of a local business or organisation that could support one or more of our students with a work experience placement then please do get in touch. I would be delighted to hear from you!

Phil Ruse, Vice Principal

Parent Forum

Following the success of our most recent Parent Forums, the date of the next one is Thursday 23rd June.

More details will be sent to parents soon

Rounders Success

We had our first rounders fixture since Covid!! The students were amazing. We won the year 7, 8, 9 and 10 game against Launceston. They were an absolute pleasure to spend time with. *Rhona Doyle*







Steve Mooner

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FOOTBALL FOR ALL YOUTH ACADEMY

Tavistock College Extra Curricular P.E. After School Clubs

3.15pm – 4.15pm

MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY
1st TEAM FOOTBALL SHL	YEARS 7/8 ATHLETICS DDO / CAR / BWH	YEARS 7/8/9/10 TRAMPOLINING JHO / NIN
YEAR 11 GCSE REVISION SHL / HBL	YEARS 7/8/9/10 ROUNDERS RDO / HBL / LHA	ALL YEARS BADMINTON ABE
	YEARS 9/10 BASKETBALL NMU / coaches	YEARS 9/10 ATHLETICS DDO / LHA / BWH
	ALL YEARS TABLE TENNIS JRU	YEARS 9/10 DIAMOND RUNNING LEAGUE JIN
	YEARS 7/8 CYCLING NHO	YEARS 7/8/9/10 CRICKET KWI / ATA
	YEARS 7/8/9/10 TENNIS NIN / ATA	

Creative Arts Extra Curricular

Mary Poppins rehearsals have a separate timetable

Monday	
Jazz Band *MU3* Y7-Y13 3-4pm Mr Lambert	You need basic music skills - reading of music or chords
KS4/5 Dance & Drama independent rehearsals *DR2* 3-4pm Mrs Pearson	Must be booked 48 hours in advance
Tuesday	
Choir *Main Hall* 8.30-9am	Open to all year groups
KS4/5 Photography Club *Photography Studio* Mrs Bassett	Y11 and Y13 only until middle of June
KS4/5 Media Coursework *MS1* 3-4pm Mr Hunter	Come and develop your work
KS4/5 Dance & Drama independent rehearsals *DR2* 3-4pm Mrs Pearson	Must be booked 48 hours in advance
Wednesday	
KS4/5 Dance & Drama independent rehearsals *DR2* 3-4pm Mrs Pearson	Must be booked 48 hours in advance
Creatavi Magazine Club. Please see Mr Hunter in MS1 for more information	Creatavi has a separate timetable - see Mr Hunter
RSL Music Drop in Jam *Music Block* Y9-Y13 3-4.30pm	See Mr Lambert / Mrs Berryman for more info
Thursday	
KS4/5 Dance & Drama independent rehearsals *DR2* 3-4pm Mrs Pearson	Must be booked 48 hours in advance
Y7 & Y8 Drama Club *DR2* RECESS 2	RECESS 2
KS3 Art Club *A3/A2* 3-15-4.30 Mrs Wyatt	
KS4 Textiles *A4* 3.15-4.30 Miss Harris	
LX Tech Club *Main Hall* Y8-Y13 Mr Prouse	This club runs on week B only
Friday	
Open Mic *MU3* Recess 1&2 All year groups	Perform a song or be part of the audience

Students can check the Bulletin during tutor time on Tuesdays and Thursdays for extra information about clubs and activities

Keeping children safe online

The safeguarding area of the college website for resources and signposting.

Free Solihull online courses

- Understanding your baby
- Understanding your child

• Understanding your teenagers' brain www.inourplace.co.uk access code TAMAR.

Support for parents

www.parent-talk.org.uk/devon

Hub of Hope

Organisations / charities offering mental health advice and support. https://hubofhope.co.uk/

Chat Health School Nurse

Text Message Service 07520631722 Anonymous, confidential advice for 11-19 year olds

The Alcohol Education Trust

www.talkaboutalcohol.com Helping students learn how to make safe choices around alcohol.

Teen mental health

https://www.mytutor.co.uk/blog/teen-mentalhealth-a-guide-for-parents/

Police prevent

https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=N8DPPQUem9A

Kooth online

Mental health and wellbeing support to farming families. www.rabi.org.uk/kooth

Mind

Reliable resources and tips to help you cope with the CoronaVirus (COVID-19) pandemic https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/ coronavirus/

Free Outward Bound courses

FREE places on Outward Bound Courses to young people aged 16-22 who live in Devon.

Early Help resources

Seeing parent conflict through the child's eyes. https://www.seeitdifferently.org/

Apps, games, websites?

Type the name of the game/app/website into https://www.net-aware.org.uk/ a quick, easy snapshot - what the app is, how safe it is etc.

Youth Intervention

Law & policing, Instagram @yourpolice.uk Rights, law and terminology, information on consent, healthy behaviours and behaviour change.

Alleviating fuel poverty

Free Devon wide service. https://tamarenergycommunity.com/

Parent Autism Awareness programme

Apply direct by email to: LDP-LearnerSupport@ babcockinternational.com

Risks of E-Cigarette and Vape Pen Use www.tobaccopreventiontoolkit.stanford.edu

Child Mind Institute

Quick Guide to Separation Anxiety Disorder. https:// childmind.org/guide/quick-guidetoseparationanxiety-disorder/

Family Support

A guide to potentially dangerous apps for kids

Plus useful tips for protecting your child from online safety hazards https://www.familyeducation.com/mobile-apps/a-complete-guide-topotentially-dangerous-apps-all-parents-should-be-aware-of

NSPCC Helpline for victims of sexual abuse in schools

Sexual abuse in any form is unacceptable. Telephone 0800 136 663, or email help@nspcc.org.uk.

Citizens Advice

Free advice: AdviceLine 0808 27 87 999 webchat www.ruraldevoncab.org.uk Email info@ruraldevoncab.org.uk Message www.facebook.com/TorridgeNorthMidWestCA

YoungMinds

School Anxiety and Refusal: Parents Guide to Support. https://www. youngminds.org.uk/parent/a-zguide/school-anxiety-and-refusal/

HappyMaps

Mental health resources for parents and carers, and for young people and children https://happymaps.co.uk/

Vacancies Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/job-vacancies.html

Okehampton College

- Vice Principal
- English Teachers
- Cover Supervisor
 Track an of Art
- Teacher of Art
- Teacher of Maths
- Data and GDPR Coordinator
 HR Business Partner People and HR Team Leader
 - Exam Invigilators
- Caretaker
 - Catering Assistants
- Teacher of Food and Catering
- Science Technician
- Teaching Assistant
- Teacher of MFL
- Receptionist
- Pastoral Support Officer
- Head of Art

The Promise School

- Teacher of Maths or Science
- KS2 Teacher
- Teacher of English or Humanities
- Occupational Therapist
- Speech and Language Therapist
- Teacher of Art or Technology
- Teacher of Health & Fitness -Pastoral Lead
- Higher Level Teaching Assistant

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- Teaching Assistant
- Family Liaison Officer
 - Councillor

- Holsworthy Community College
- Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-Ordinator
- Cover Supervisor
- Cleaner

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- Teacher of Performing Arts
- Teacher of Science
- Teacher of Computer Science
- Administrative Executive
 Assistant
- Exam Invigilators
- Caretaker

Primary school vacancies

- Highampton Primary School
- KS2 Primary Teacher
- Exbourne Primary School
- Teaching Assistant
 St James CofE Primary and
 - Nursery School
- Teaching Assistant
- North Tawton Community
 Primary School
- Teaching Assistant
- Mealtime Assistant

Key Stage 1

Dartmoor MAT

Schools Team)

Lydford Primary School
Classroom Teacher - EYFS And

Teaching Assistant

Premises Manager (Small

Cleaners - Trust Schools

Premises Caretaker Apprentice