

Tavistock College Newsletter

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Child Protection

Your child's safety is of paramount concern to us. If you have a concern which involves the safety and wellbeing of a child or young person, please contact

Mrs Hazel Blackmore (Designated Safeguarding Lead), Mr Jack Brokenshire or Miss Rachael Squire immediately.

If the concern is outside College hours, please contact MASH on 0345 155 1071 (email: mashsecure@devon.gov.uk)
Children's Social Care Emergency Duty Team
(out of hours) on 0845 6000 388 or

Police on 101 (non-emergency) and 999 (emergency).



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Year 7 Notice Board

Head of Year - Mr Hunter Assistant Head of Year - Mrs Massey

The end of term is so close you can almost taste it! I think it's natural for students to be feeling burnt out at this time (and some of the staff too!) so I've taken to reminding them that we are literally on the countdown now with 14 days (at the time of writing) to go. I'd also remind students to find the motivation to finish the year on a high - keep reaching for those green boards and golden tickets. We are immensely proud of all that you've achieved this year, so keep going!

Please can I remind all students to remember their Tavi 7: pencil case containing pencil, pen, ruler, eraser, reading book and bare essentials. It's obviously the end of the year, and bits have no doubt gone missing or lost, but please do everything you can to be prepared for every lesson!





20 BOARDS

Sophia B, Edith C, Belle L, Daisy P, Kourtney F, Ariana B, William B, Leo D Alice T, Dillon V, Oscar C-C, Sophia H, Keirily B, Summer K Amber M, Emily E, Seren B-W, Evelyn F, Alistair F, Amelie G

Golden Ticket Winners

Summer K, Daisy P, Sophia H, Oscar C, Cassidy W, Keira-Lilly, Edith C, James S, Seren B-W, Dylan N, Lev M, Keirily B, Ailia Engin, Owen S.

Year 8 Notice Board

Head of Year - Mrs Ingleby Assistant Head of Year - Mr Marsh





20 MARDS

Carrie C, Saba P, Milly-Grace C, Olivia T, Katie H, Oliver D, Aoife S, Belle B Alex C, Annabel L, Eloise P, Kimberley P, Callum B, Callum M, Elliott S Iola S, Dylan F, Cooper G, Ruby H, Daniel O.

As we approach the end of the school year, we find ourselves in a busy period leading up to the summer break. We encourage all Year 8 students to put in a final push to finish the year strong. This is the time to consolidate everything you have learned and complete any outstanding assignments. Remember, your hard work now will set a solid foundation for next year.

With the summer break just around the corner, it's also a time to start thinking about the transition to Year 9. This step up comes with new challenges and opportunities, and we are confident that each of you is ready to embrace them. Take some time to reflect on your achievements and consider your goals for the upcoming year.

Even as we approach the end of the school year, it's important to stay engaged. Participate in class, ask questions, and support your classmates. Your effort and enthusiasm make a difference.

Thank you for your continued hard work and dedication. Let's make these last few weeks count.

Last weekend saw a group of year 8 students take part in a literary trip to Penzance. These students were complimented on the behaviour throughout the trip.



Demonstrating one of the cooperative values-Solidarity, Self-help, Self- responsibility, Democracy,

Demonstrating one of our ethical values-

Demonstrating one of our ethical values-Openness, Honesty, Social-Responsibility, Caring for others:

Carrie C, Brendon W, Katie H, Leyton AG, Oliver D





Year 9 Notice Board

Head of Year - Miss Evans Assistant Head of Year - Miss Fox

NOMINATIONS

CARE

Alana E for achieving over 350 positive points

CHALLENGE

Ruben B and Logan C-P for a fantastic improvement in behaviour and effort in lessons with some fantastic results in their assessments!

EXCEL

Henry W for being such a tremendous band member. (He also has a gig in the Tavy library at the end of this month.)

Year 9 are still extremely busy and have had another amazing couple of weeks. This week they have two special assemblies - one focused on our very own mock elections with sixth formers representing each of the political parties - the second is on Thursday when they receive their key Stage 4 options followed by a celebration lesson five with games on the primary field and ice lollies! Last week, year 9s were involved with the Library Festival and created some inspiring posters. They had a great time working together to produce their posters based on their 'given' novel. Last week also saw the culmination of weeks' worth of hard work with the Key Stage 3 Showcase which was an outstanding success!

There is a carnival club which will meet in A3 after school on Thursdays starting this week. They will be making props and planning the parade performance and have chosen the theme 'Hansel and Gretel'. If any students would like to be added to the Google Classroom, please let Miss Trewartha or Mrs Wyatt know or just turn up on Thursday!

Please remember that if you need a drink while in college to bring your own water bottle as there are no cups in the KS3 office. Ensure that your water bottle is clearly labelled with your name so that it can easily be returned if it gets lost. Just because we only have a few weeks left, please ensure that your uniform is stool perfect and that your punctuality is exceptional!

A huge thank you must go to those involved with Showcase, especially: Jemima T-Wt, Sunny F, Felicity S, Alana E, Amelia G, Rhianna N and obviously Henry W for his musical expertise!

A massive round of applause must also go to those who attended the English Schools Track and Field Cup. This was a regional final in Birmingham and all our team did fantastically well! In fact Mr. Ingleby said that, "It is difficult to describe the magnitude of their achievement." The team included: Lamorna C, Nell M, Hazel S, May G and George B.

Shannon C made an incredible discovery on a Cornish beach. She found a bone which has now been identified by the National History Museum in London. Their curators believe that it belonged to a whale and it is one of the neck (cervical) vertebrae. They also believe that it is the very first one, connecting with the skull called the Atlas bone.





20 GAST NEOARDS

Amelia D, George P, Lauren M, Alana E, Amelie H, Sommer M, James S, Finn P, Freya R, Emmie C, Matilda G, Harry I, Sophia S, Ella H, Florence P, Jasmine C, Archie J, Tilly P, Rionna N and Harry G-W.

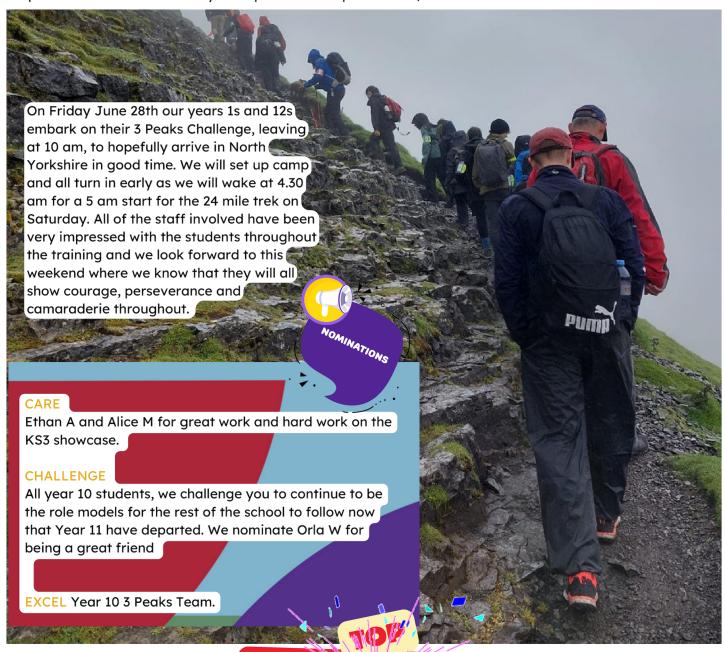
Year 10 Notice Board

Head of Year - Mrs Squire Assistant Head of Year -Mr Trimmer





We have been very proud of our Year 10 students this week working in a range of different places, showing their resilience, reliability and commitment to the week. Some of the students have been asked back for a second week! A massive well done to all of you who have shown great determination in completing the week, even when what you were doing was not for you. So many tutors and teachers have said how positive the responses have been when they have phoned work placements, so well done indeed.



20 BOARDS

Josh A, Jamie C, Thalia W, Jack D, Rebecca A, Tamsyn R, Chris G, Daisy W
Dan E, Ksenija I, Manni H, Jack R, Anya C, Jess M, Josh D
Ellie S, Isabella R, Oscar O, Sophie D, Alicia H







Head of Year - Mr Jacob Assistant Head of Year - Mr Murphy



Graduation and Prom

Please see the below information regarding the year 11 graduation and prom. The dates for graduation and prom are Tuesday 9th July and prom will be Thursday 11th July. The year 11 team looks forward to celebrating the successes of our students at both events.

The Graduation Service will be on Tuesday 9th July at 2.00pm at Tavistock Parish Church (opposite the Bedford Hotel). Students will be able to be accompanied by a maximum of 2 people per student.

Plans for graduation day are as follows:

- Graduation day on site at College will start at 9:45
- Time in the morning can be spent with tutors as well as access to a bouncy castle, mocktails and an ice cream van for everyone to enjoy.
- The morning will end at 12:10 when students will then be expected to leave the site to get ready for their graduation ceremony.
- Students are expected to be at the church for 1:45, dressed smartly in formal dress (not required to wear school uniform).
- Students and families to be sat in the church by 1:50 (students with their tutor groups).
- The graduation ceremony will start at 2:00pm.
- The ceremony should take about 45 minutes.
- If students require the use of the school buses to get home they will have time to return to school to catch them.



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

CAMBLING

WHAT ARE THE RISKS? Gambling can be defined as betting or risking money or something of value on the outcome of a situation involving chance. Under current regulations, gambling is legal for adults in the UK. Its potential impacts on the wellbeing of individuals, families and communities are well documented – emphasising the importance of safeguarding children and young people against these hazards.

MANIPULATIVE ADVERTISING

Adverts for online bookmakers and betting exchanges can raise concerns about targeting vulnerable groups, fostering addiction, promoting misleading expectations, impacting mental health, affecting social norms, posing regulatory challenges, influencing minors and other ethical issues. Effective regulation, responsible advertising practices and public education are essential to mitigate these concerns and address the potential harms associated with excessive exposure to manipulative advertisements.

ADDICTIVE FEATURES

All gambling products carry safety concerns, but some can be even riskier and more addictive. The frequency with which people can place bets can encourage them to do so often – with rapid spins and multiple betting options, for example. Betting on sports events, especially with live in-play betting options, can be highly engaging and habit forming. The 24/7 availability of online platforms can also increase the risk of excessive gambling, particularly among young people.

PEER PRESSURE

Exposure to gambling through friends, influencers or social circles can normalise risky behaviour and create unrealistic expectations about the chances of winning. Addressing peer influence requires support services, responsible advertising practices and effective education on the subject to minimise the impact on children and promote healthier choices.

IMPACT ON MENTAL

Gambling can exacerbate mental health issues such as anxiety, depression, and stress – especially if it leads to financial loss. Individuals with existing mental health conditions may use gambling as a coping mechanism – but the cycle of gambling can worsen their symptoms, creating a detrimental impact on overall wellbeing. Integrated support services and treatment options are crucial to address these interconnected challenges effectively.

GATEWAY BEHAVIOURS

Certain features of other products – such as video games that offer in-game purchases – can lead to gambling among young people. These mechanisms can sometimes be designed to exploit psychological vulnerabilities, encouraging repeated spending to acquire virtual items or advantages. Such practices can normalise the associated risks and desensitise young people to putting their or their family's money in danger.

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

The most common impacts of online betting come in the form of financial losses and debt. This, in turn, can lead to distorted perceptions of money, deterioration of relationships, social isolation, and poor academic and career outcomes. Regular gambling can even exacerbate other risky behaviour by making it seem less significant – potentially leading to a cascade of health impacts and financial loss.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Sporting events can be a good opening for conversations about gambling, as some sponsorships may reference and even glamourise it. Talk to children about how these promotions make them feel and encourage frequent conversations about any concerns they may have. Adverts, influencers and online platforms may also feature gambling products. As a child grows, it's important to encourage their critical thinking skills to help them avoid being manipulated by this type of marketing.

MONITOR SPENDING

In-game purchases can be appealing to children, allowing them to unlock new features or cosmetic items in a fraction of the time it would take to win them by playing. Talk to children about how they spend money online; an interest in what video games they play can encourage the conversation. Consider setting up restrictions on their devices, requiring their parent or carer's permission before making any purchases. Talk about finances regularly and openly.

KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS

Parents and educators should be vigilant for signs of gambling harm among young people. Look for changes in their behaviour such as increased secrecy, unexplained money issues, mood swings or withdrawal from their usual activities. Open conversations about gambling risks and maintain a supportive, non-judgemental environment. Try to familiarise yourself with resources and helplines for assistance and guidance.

GET FURTHER SUPPORT

Support and treatment for young people is available via the Young People's Support Service at GamCare, who can be contacted at 0808 8020 133. A link to their website has also been included in the sources of this guide, along with links to several other support networks. Your GP and local NHS gambling clinic are also available if you require additional advice. Don't hesitate to reach out for help if you're concerned about a child's gambling behaviour or their financial situation.

Meet Our Expert

Ygam's mission is to prevent children and young people from experiencing gaming and gambling harms through awareness raising, education, and research. The charity was established in 2014 as a result of the lived experience of their founders.

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The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: https://nationalcollege.com/guides/gambling









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TUESDAY THURSDAY

DUKE OF EDINBURGH YEAR 9 NHO/JNB/CTA

> ROUNDERS ALL YEARS NIN/RDO

CYCLING ALL YEARS NHO (WEEK A ONLY)

TRAMPOLINING KS3 SBT CRICKET ALL YEARS JNB/NMU

TENNIS ALL YEARS CTA

BADMINTON ALL YEARS ABE

TABLE TENNIS ALL YEARS SHU

Please ensure you bring the correct equipment to participate.









11th June 2024 For immediate release



Devon based OnlyMums & Dads with the support of Devon County Council funds a new FREE resource for separating parents in Devon

With the support of a Devon County Council community grant, the Devon-based not-for-profit organisation OnlyMums & Dads will be providing free on-line support for separating parents in Devon.

Parents living in Devon will be able to access fortnightly webinars where any problems or concerns can be discussed.

Co- Director of OnlyMums & Dads Rebecca Giraud told us "It is estimated that there are approximately 2.3 million separated families in Great Britain, including 3.6 million in those separated families. Divorce and separation brings with it numerous issues such as loneliness, difficulties over child arrangements and finances, housing...the list goes on. For many, knowing where to turn to for help, is confusing and unclear."

The webinars are being held on alternate Wednesday evenings at 7pm. **The first meeting is scheduled for June 19th.** The aim of these webinars is to offer support, friendship and direction, not legal advice.

COST OF LIVING **Cost of living** Help and guidance Are you worried about the rising cost of energy bills,

food and transport?

You are not alone, the cost of living crisis is affecting many of us.

You may want help accessing grants and debt advice, support getting all the money you are entitled to, or simply want to know more about the government's recent support measures. West Devon Borough Council want to reach out to residents to make sure you are aware of support available

Household Support Fund

This will be available from April 2023 to provide short-term financial support to help meet the needs of those struggling to afford food, energy, water bills and other related essentials.

Applications can be made online.

In addition, our partners will issue food vouchers to families of children who receive free school meals so they can buy food through the school holidays. Keep an eye on our website for

www.westdevon.gov.uk/household-support-fund

An online support directory has been created to provide information on a wide range of support available from within the Council and our external partners.

tdevon.gov.uk/support-directory

If you need any more information from the Council, ther reach out to us through our 'Contact Us' page which will direct you to the information you are looking for.

v.westdevon.gov.uk/contact-us

Free School Meals

Many people are not aware their children qualify for a free school meal. Check using this website – you do not need to tell the school yourself.

www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/ school-information/school-meals

Your child will receive a nutritious two course meal each day.

School holidays can put increased pressure on finances but there are ways in which you can be supported through subsidised or free holiday clubs.

www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/family-support/haf-programme/information-for-parents

Healthy Start Card

If you are 10 weeks pregnant or more, have a child under four years old, or you or your family get certain benefits, you may be able to qualify for a Healthy Start card. The card has money on it to be used in shops to buy:

- plain liquid cow's milk;
 fresh, frozen, and tinned fruit and vegetables;
- fresh, dried, and tinned pulses; and
- infant formula milk based on cow's milk

You can also get free vitami

See online to find out more and for ways to apply. www.healthystart.nhs.uk/how-to-apply

Food Support

The cost of living crisis has made it much more difficult for many people to afford food. If this is something you are experiencing, the Council have collated a list of food hubs on their website.

evon.gov.uk/foodbanks

There is also support for your animals -

www.rspca.org.uk/adviceandwelfare/costofliving/ foodbank



Energy





Home



Wellbeing

Tavistock food hu

An Affordable Food Club

Feeling the pinch? Why not join our food club and save up to 60% on supermarket prices. Only £5 donation per bag!

Wednesdays 11.30am to 12.30pm at The King's, Pixon Lane or Saturdays at The Red & Black Club, Crowndale Road 11am to 12pm email info@feedingdevon.org.uk





a new concrete skatepark to be built in Tavistock.

We want to start conversations to build a picture of the community's outlook for future facilities. Quality skateparks support vibrant, healthy communities. These dynamic spaces can be used for skateboarding, BMXing, scooter riding and rollerblading for riders young and old.

Our goal is to replace the current skatepark with a modern park that's quieter, safer, and more welcoming for all. To make it happen we need the support of our community - show you'd like a new skatepark by scanning the QR code and filling out our short survey.

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