



TORPOINT
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NEWSLETTER



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Academic Year 2016/17 Term Dates:

Half Term - 29th May-2nd June

Last day of term - 21st July

Upcoming Events

Year 13 Leavers Breakfast 26th May

Year 7 Parents Evening 20th June

Year 8 Parents Evening 27th June

'Pupils ambitious to succeed' - TCC graded Good in recent Ofsted Inspection

In a recent inspection, Ofsted judged the quality of education at Torpoint Community College as continuing to be 'good'. The inspectors praised teachers, leaders, support staff and governors pointing out their dedication and determination to support students in achieving high standards.

Inspectors recognised that staff know students well and provide a high standard of care and support, and praised the safety, welfare and all-round development of students acknowledging how this attention to detail prepares the students well for the next steps in their lives.

The inspection team recognised that there is a very positive learning environment at the College and students throughout the school, including the Sixth Form, make good progress. They also found that at all times, including during break times, lunch times and lesson changeovers, students' behaviour was excellent as was their attendance to College.

Inspectors found that students were proud of the College and have confidence in their teachers. Students in the Sixth Form spoke highly of the quality of teaching and support they received from their teachers and inspectors commented that the Sixth Form remains the natural choice for most Year 11 students.



The Inspection Team recognised that students were ambitious to succeed and worked well with each other. Praise, in particular, was given to the assessment system used in lessons across the College. The inspectors praised how teachers dedicated time in lessons for students to reflect on their learning and how to improve their work.

Mrs Andrea Hazeldine, said 'The College is delighted with the outcome from the recent Ofsted visit and will continue to strive to sustain and improve the high standards already achieved. I would like to extend a special thanks for the support of parents and the community who recognise the importance of working together for the benefit of students.'

To read the full report please go to <http://www.torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Torpoint-Community-College-10025125-PDF-Final.pdf>



Gwithti Beach Clean

The TCC Gwithti volunteers joined the Torpoint & Rame Lions Volunteers to collect plastic 'treasure' from Tregantle Beach.



The treasure will now be washed and turned into stunning visual displays with the help of Louise and Mary from the Lions.

Good Luck to Ten Tors Teams

We would like to wish the best of luck to our Ten Tors Teams this weekend.

Under the careful guidance and direction of Mrs Porter and her amazing team, students are well prepared for this difficult challenge and we have every confidence they will have a very successful weekend.

We look forward to following the teams on www.tentors.org.uk.

Rotterdam Marathon

Congratulations and a massive well done to TCC Maths teacher Mr Doogan who has recently completed the Rotterdam Marathon in 4 hours and 8 minutes.

Mr Doogan has raised over £600 for Children's Hospice South West.



Fidget Spinners

Please note that 'fidget spinners' (stress relieving toys) should not be brought to school unless it has been agreed with the SENCO or Student Support Centre Manager.

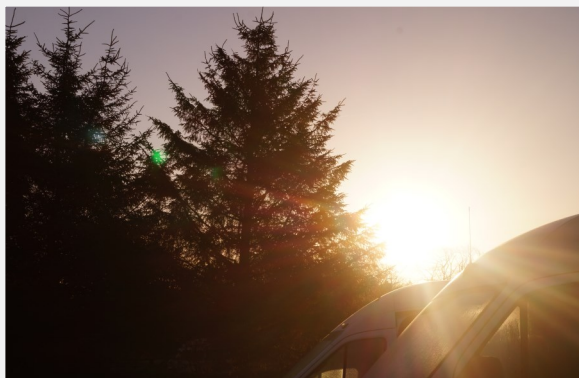
We would be grateful for parent / carer support with this matter. Thank you.



Mock Ten Tors

The conditions were almost perfect for the Mock Ten Tors training last weekend.

The students left the College on Friday evening and camped near Okehampton, ready to start at 7am on Saturday. They walked down the east side of Dartmoor and camped in Princetown, then set off early on Sunday, from Two Bridges, to walk up the west side of the moor finishing at Shortacombe - with the reward of some well-deserved cake!



Well done to all those who took part and a big thank you to all the adult helpers.

Unfortunately not all those who completed the expedition could be selected for the Ten Tors Challenge, but they should be congratulated on their achievements and Mrs Porter is very proud of them.

Health and Wellbeing Day 2017

TCC has recently held its second annual Health and Wellbeing Day for Key Stage 3 students to promote healthy eating, healthy minds and healthy bodies.

This year's event was attended by Torpoint Town Mayor, Councillor John Crago, and was supported by many speakers including our canteen manager and catering department who showed students how to make healthy food and snacks.

There were also representatives from Cornwall Council, Cornwall Healthy Weight, Livewire, Kooth, Cornwall Partnership NHS Trust, Headstart Kernow, YMCA, Cornwall Sports Partnership, Pentreath, Brook, Young People Cornwall and Sainsburys who provided a free late breakfast.

Our BTEC Sport students at the College also showcased their work with demonstrations, practical challenges and consultations.

This was an excellent day and our sincere thanks goes to all those who supported it.



Sixth Form Trip To Cardiff University

A number of Sixth Form students have recently visited Cardiff University to see what courses they have on offer.

The students toured the site and had a look at the surrounding area to see if it is somewhere they would like to attend university when they finish their A Levels.



Gwithti Volunteer Daffodil Pickers for Torpoint and Rame Lions

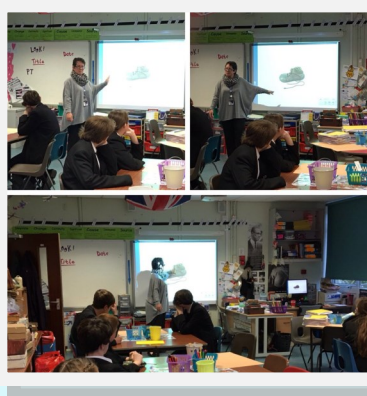


TCC Teacher to visit Poland

TCC History teacher, Charlotte Lane, is to visit sites of the Nazi genocide in Poland this month as part of a select group chosen to pioneer the way the Holocaust is taught in England's secondary schools.

As a University College London Beacon School, Torpoint Community College will support a network of at least five further local schools, sharing the UCL's innovative approaches to enhance the way they teach and learn about the Holocaust. To read the full story please see the College website.

<http://www.torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk/local-teacher-to-visit-former-nazi-death-camp-to-develop-inspirational-ways-to-teach-about-the-holocaust/>



Feasty Mile - Fundraising Fun Run

On Friday 28th April TCC held it's annual Feasty Mile Fun Run. This year we are raising funds for Children's Hospice South West. Well done to all those who took part and entered into the spirit of the day by wearing pink! A total of £300 was raised.

