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## Academic Year 2017/18 Term Dates:

**Bank Holiday** - Monday 7th May

**Half Term** - 28th May - 1st June  
(return Monday 4th June)

## Upcoming Events

Memorial Mile - 4th May

Macbeth - 9th and 10th May

## Easter Egg Book Hunt

TCC students have recently taken part in a book related Easter Egg Hunt.

Pictures of ten book covers were hidden around the College, without their titles, and students needed to work out what the books were to be entered into a prize draw. All students who entered were rewarded with a small Easter Egg, and the lucky winner of the bucket of Easter goodies was Katie in Year 7 who answered all the questions correctly.

Well done to everyone who took part.



## Success in UK Maths Competition.

Fifteen of our top mathematicians in Years 9,10 and 11 volunteered to take part in the UK Intermediate Maths Challenge .

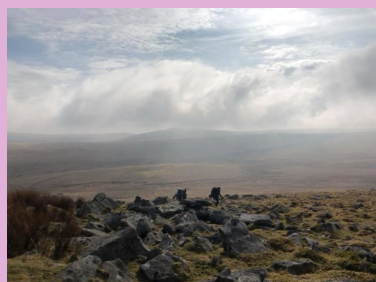
This is a national competition with the best mathematicians from all over the UK taking part. The paper is designed to challenge the most able students and get them to think about the maths skills that they need to use.



The College had some great results. Evan of Year 11 achieved a Bronze award, Best in Year 11 and Best in School. Genna of Year 11 also received a Bronze award. Jack of Year 10 was Best in Year and Kate of Year 9 also received a bronze awards and was Best in Year.

## Ten Tors training – 24th & 25th March

There were a few sore shoulders and feet after the first two day expedition by students. On both days the teams set off from the Y-Junction near Okehampton army camp in thick mist; however, this cleared on Sunday and everyone enjoyed hours of warm sunshine. There were still some snow drifts around from the previous week and adults took the opportunity to entertain the walkers with Easter snow bunnies.



Apart from a few errors, all those that started on Saturday finished on Sunday near the Warren House Inn. A massive well done to all the students; a great achievement. A big thank you also needs to go to all the adult volunteers who were out there supporting them over the weekend.

The next walk is the mock weekend – 27th to 29th April.

## Bake Sale

Thank you to all staff who generously donated to the Stand Up to Cancer Bake Sale. We raised £47.



## Unclaimed Certificates

Have you collected your examination certificates from Torpoint Community College yet? If not please do so before **1st May 2018** when compliance with the GDPR Data Protection Regulations along with JCQ regulations mean that any certificates over 2 years old will be destroyed. All future requests for achievement information will need to go direct to the Examination Boards (AQA, Pearson, OCR, WJEC) details of which you will be able to locate on their websites including their fee for this service. Please be aware that the College currently charges ex-students a £30 search fee in cash or cheque to collect unclaimed certificates which were achieved over 2 years ago. This service will terminate on the **30th April 2018**.

## Message from TCC Marketing

Do you have any good news stories you would like to share? We would love to hear from you so we can share them, if appropriate, with the wider College community.

Please e-mail the details to:-

[TCCMarketing@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:TCCMarketing@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk)

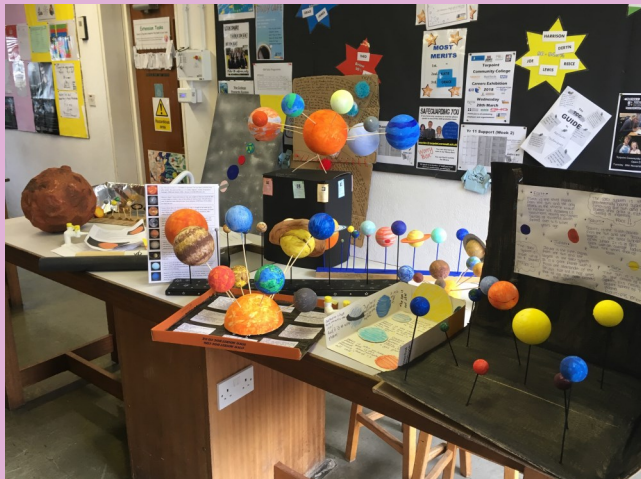


## Science News

Year 8 Science students in Mrs Bray's class were set a homework project to make a model of the Solar System or produce a report about the history of space exploration.

The work that was handed in was fantastic with some glorious models that can now be put on display.

Well done to students in 82A Science!



## Schools Hate Crime and Holocaust Memorial Competition

Year 8 students took part in the Schools Hate Crime and Holocaust Memorial Competition 2018. This annual competition is organised by Devon and Cornwall Police and 12 of our students won prizes for art, poetry or written work based around fighting Hate Crime and/or remembering the Holocaust.

On Thursday 22nd March they travelled to Truro Cathedral to be presented with their certificates and gift vouchers from PC Turner-Moore and PC Gameson. They also signed a slate which will form part of the new Truro Cathedral roof. On arrival at the Cathedral there was surprise to see sniffer dogs, police and security men everywhere. The students did at first think it was all for them along with the large crowd that had started to build outside the Cathedral. However, the students discovered that they were not the only visitors to Truro that day. Their visit coincided with a Royal visit by HRH Prince Charles. The students were very excited to get a chance to see him, and that Prince Charles saw all of their work which was on display inside the Cathedral. According to PC Turner-Moore, Prince Charles was very impressed – which gives our students the Royal seal of approval!



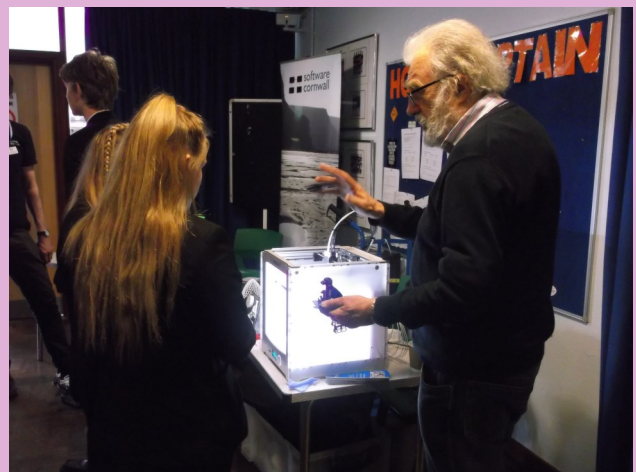


## TCC Careers Exhibition 2018

Many thanks to all the employers and organisations that supported the College's Careers Exhibition on 28<sup>th</sup> March. There were a huge variety of different stands including big employers such as Sainsbury's, NHS and CITB, information about the Services including the RAF, Royal Navy and the Royal Marines Band, apprenticeship providers such as GHQ training, Accacia Training and the Skills Group, stands featuring new tech such as a 3D printer, 3D Kernow Printing and coding with Cornwall Software, university stands from the University of Exeter and University of Plymouth, the National Citizen Service, Volunteer Cornwall, 'Moor than meets the eye' – a stand all about Archaeology by Emma Stockley, Mashfords Boat Building yard and UK Docks Marine Services.

We were delighted to welcome back former students, Laura Lofting, a solicitor at Gill Akaster in Plymouth and James Franklin representing BT. Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service also attended along with the star attraction, the fire engine!

A huge thank you also goes out to all the students who made the event so worthwhile by asking interesting questions and having conversations about all the different career opportunities available. If you would like to support our Careers Exhibition next year, please contact Mrs Davina Bray via the College's main reception.





## Headteacher's Message

The Year 11 students have been prepared well by the team of expert staff at Torpoint Community College for their examinations: both teachers and support staff. The students have been embracing their revision for the many new style GCSE examinations and we wish them the very best for their exams.

Along with the examination season there have been a great number of other activities that students have embraced. These include training for Ten Tors, rehearsing for the forthcoming Macbeth production, Open Evening preparation which this year is on Thursday 7th June and contributing to the superb art gallery exhibition.


At the end of February the College was assessed for the Quality Mark Assessment for Holocaust in Education. Mrs Charlotte Lane is leading in this area and the assessor was very complementary about the excellent work conducted at the College. Mrs Lane has been invited to the 'Empowering Young People to Change the World' conference at Royal Wotton Bassett Academy on 27-28 April to be formally awarded with the UCL Quality Mark at the Gala and Awards Dinner. In March the College hosted the "Holocaust Survivor" event that teaching and support staff, governors and staff from other schools attended. This was interesting, thought provoking and a powerful deep learning event.

I am looking forward to The Richard Feast Memorial Mile on Friday 4th May; fingers crossed that the weather is dry. Don't forget to wear pink and bring your donation which will be given to a local charity.

Jeremy Plumb  
Acting Headteacher


## Headteacher's Award - April 2018


**HEAD TEACHER'S  
AWARD**  
April 2018

**TORPOINT  
COMMUNITY  
COLLEGE**  
*Inspiring Outstanding Learners*

**Aaliyah Mahoney**  
Year 8

Aaliyah was awarded the Head Teacher's award for April due to her consistent excellent effort within lessons and particularly her personal strengths which enable her to excel in Ethics, Aaliyah's Ethics teacher has said "Aaliyah has a great empathy for others and an ability to put herself into others shoes. She has a great understanding of different world beliefs and she really values human rights and has excellent knowledge of these from The Universal Declaration of Human Rights".






Aaliyah attended a 'Year 8 Anti-Hate Crime' activity session led by Devon and Cornwall police and listened to the real life stories of individuals who had suffered hate crimes. Following on from the workshop, Aaliyah produced a stunning poster which demonstrated the different aspects of Hate Crime. Using images, colour and words, she produced a powerful visual statement on her beliefs. Her work was submitted to the Police who put it on display in the Police Hub in Bodmin. Members of the public and Police Officers voted on which pieces of art were the most impressive from a range of entries from schools across the county. Aaliyah's work was voted as one of the best pieces of art and she was invited to Truro Cathedral to be awarded with a certificate and gift voucher to recognise her excellent effort. Aaliyah was invited to sign a slate which will form part of the new Cathedral roof and as an extra bonus, she got to see HRH Prince Charles who was visiting Truro that day. Although Aaliyah did not get to meet him, Prince Charles did see her work and was very impressed by it.

Aaliyah's teachers have told us how she is always a very happy, kind, generous and bubbly student. She is always willing to help or go that extra mile. She has good listening skills and is never distracted by others or easily influenced. She always has a pleasant and courteous nature and is always polite and helpful. She is a reliable, cheerful and friendly student whose teachers agree is a pleasure to teach. She is always well equipped, being prepared for any task set and has excellent organisational skills. Aaliyah is also always punctual and has an excellent attendance record. Her conduct in College has been exemplary.

Aaliyah's tutor states that "Aaliyah is naturally kind, conscientious and looks to bring out the best in others. She has a warm and sunny disposition and is a pleasure to have in the tutor group. She puts others first, goes out of her way to help and shows real resilience and determination to do her best."



## Year 10 Easter Holiday Residential at Exeter University

Well done to the eligible students who applied and participated in the Exeter University Residential programme that took place over the Easter holidays.

Four brave Year 10 students attended this year; Elle May Gamble, Spencer Shepherd, Maddie Wilson and Ellie Colton, venturing out of their comfort zones to experience academic workshops and the amazing facilities on offer at university.

All four students are now part of the Exeter Scholars programme which aims to support them and provide information and mentoring to assist with future applications to university.

