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NEWSLETTER



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Academic Year 2016/17 Term Dates:

Christmas 19th December-2nd January
(College reopens Tuesday 3rd January)

UPCOMING EVENTS

29 November—Year 10 Parents' Evening
6 December—Year 11 Parents' Evening
9 December—Year 12 GCSE Breakfast

North Cornwall Book Festival

Before half term a group of students were taken to St Endennis Church for the North Cornwall Book Festival by Mrs Bertram and Mrs Hodgetts.

It was the first time that TCC had attended the festival but all of the students found it to be very engaging and thought provoking. Our students worked with local author Liz Kessler who told students about where she gets her inspiration for her books and how she bases her stories and characters on her own life experiences and the people she meets.

The students also worked with graphic novelist Simon Grennan who took the students on an exciting adventure of story writing with no words.

We are hoping that TCC will now be able to attend the festival as an annual event.



Muffi Days

Thank you to everyone who took part in today's MUFTI day that helped raise funds for Children in Need, a very worthy cause.

On Friday 16th December there will be a Christmas Jumper Day when students can wear their festive knits for a £1 donation to Save The Children. It is unusual to hold two non uniform days so closely together, as well as our 'wear red' and poppy day for The Royal British Legion on 11th November, but we believe our students are mature enough to understand the reasons for doing so. We appreciate your support with our fundraising efforts.

College Gas Main Update

Thank you to everyone for their support and patience over the last couple of weeks whilst the College has had to deal with a major mains gas issue. With numerous trenches and inspection pits dug, new gas lines fitted and the whole system tested we are finally fully operational again. The **main kitchen will be up and running as per normal from Monday 21 November** so there will be no requirement for students to bring packed lunches to school.

We appreciate the inconvenience a school closure can cause, and the additional complication of no hot meals when we are open, and are therefore very grateful for everyone's support throughout this time.

Food Technology and Catering

Chicken baked in spices and yogurt

4 chicken breasts
4 tbsp of mild curry paste
500g of Greek yogurt
50g of raisins

1. Place chicken in an oven proof dish.
2. In a separate dish mix curry paste, yogurt and raisins together.
3. Pour over the chicken and cover in tin foil.
4. Place in a preheated (180oc/ gas mark 5) oven for 30 mins
5. Remove tin foil and stir. Place back in the oven for 20 mins.
6. Ensure all meat is thorough cooked and the juices run clear and there is no pink remaining.
7. Serve with kale and puréed cauliflower (see below).

Puréed cauliflower

1. Boil one cauliflower until soft.
2. Drain and place immediately into a food processor with 15g butter and salt and pepper.
3. Blitz until smooth.

'The Wind in the Willows' Theatre Trip

On Monday 17th October Years 10 to 13 Drama students went to see the Premier of the new musical 'The Wind in the Willows' at the Theatre Royal, Plymouth before it hit the West-end.

This was a great spectacle production with elaborate set, costume and technical effects with lots for the students to write about for their Drama examination work! Having said this a great evening of enjoyment and laughter was had by all. As always our students were impeccably behaved and positive ambassadors for the College.

Thanks to Miss Read, Mrs Luing, Mrs Bell and Mrs Barker for giving up their evening to support this trip.

PE and Numeracy Intervention

Mr Doogan and Mrs Batty are running a joint PE and numeracy intervention class with 7ab M4. They are playing the game of 'Smite', so having fun playing a competitive game whilst looking at strategy to beat their opponents! The students have done really well setting out and organising the teams and games themselves and then taking it in turns to keep the score.



We are looking forward to setting up a class competition for a championship place next term!

Carbeile Maths Challenge

A group of Year 10 TCC students recently went back to primary school to assist in a Maths challenge activity with Year 6 students from Carbeile Junior School.

The activity was organised by Mr Doogan, and involved the students having to decipher various coded clues to try and work out a "mystery number". Good teamwork was required, as well as good code-cracking and numerical skills! The Carbeile students worked in four large groups and with the help of the Year 10 students from TCC, were able to meet the challenge and discover what the "mystery number" was. It was an excellent afternoon with all the students collaborating splendidly to come out with the correct solution.

Mr Doogan said "It was fantastic to see all the Carbeile students engaged in the activity and working so well in teams. My Year 10 students were also a credit to the College, assisting the Year 6s and helping the event to run very smoothly.

A big thank you also needs to go to Mrs Sales, the Deputy Head at Carbeile Junior School, for helping to organise the event and making it a great success.



Medication in College

Please note that medication, including Paracetamol, should not be carried by students in the College. Paracetamol is a high risk medication that can cause long term damage if taken incorrectly. It should never be shared amongst students.

Any medication should be accompanied by a consent form which has been signed by a parent/carer and taken to the College's Medical Room from where it will be dispensed.

The medicine forms can be found on the College website or collected from the College's main reception.

Thank you.

Blood Brothers Theatre Trip

No less than 71 Year 11 students have recently travelled to Weymouth to see a performance of Blood Brothers before its West End debut.

Year 11 are studying the Willy Russell play for their GCSE English and Drama exams so seeing the characters come to life on stage was a great way of consolidating their learning and understanding.

The students all found it a great experience, despite the long journey!

Netball Results

Well done to the girls who played netball against Liskeard this week. Fantastic results.

Year 7 won 32-0

Year 8 won 6-5

Year 9 won 13-4

Year 10 won 9-8

Message from TCC Marketing

Do you have any good news stories you would like to share with the College?

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

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