



# The Helstonian

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**Fun-filled day  
of Sport at Helston  
Community College**



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## LETTER FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

This final edition of The Helstonian brings the term to a close as well as my first year at the College. From my perspective, it has been a hugely positive year and I am delighted at what we have achieved over the last 12 months. We received some overwhelmingly positive feedback from OFSTED, from the Local Authority and from our Trust's School Improvement expert. More importantly, we have received some fantastic feedback from parents and carers. In our last survey, almost 90% of you said you would recommend the College to other parents/carers. Whilst I'll never be satisfied until it is 100%, it shows we are doing something right.

Over the year we have been working hard on creating a positive culture by 'praising the positive'. By introducing a new behaviour and rewards system we have been able to award over 170,000 praise points with well over 40 students achieving the top Diamond Award. A quarter of students have achieved the Platinum Award and almost half made it to Gold.

Throughout the year there have been so many amazing events and trips to celebrate – too many to mention here, but what a lovely way to end the year with a wonderful Summer Concert, the Year 11 Prom, P16 Summer Ball, the Year 11 and Year 13 Celebration Evenings and of course, a fabulous Sports Day.

As I wrote in my letter last week and mentioned again later in this magazine, we are very excited about some changes and developments for next year. We are increasing the capacity of our pastoral team, providing individual iPads for our P16 students, increasing our emphasis on reading, holding lunch earlier and introducing an Activity Week for students in Years 7 to 9. I am also delighted to announce that there will be some improvements made to the South Site buildings over the next few months. Two more classrooms are being refurbished, the quad is getting a makeover (including the addition of outdoor shelters), and the majority of the floors and walls are being given some love and attention!

There are a few staffing changes ahead. We have recruited well for September, but this summer we say a very sad farewell to following: Mr Thornton (Cover Supervisor), Ms Whitehouse (Maths teacher), Ms Cann (Senior Administrator), Dr Allen (Science teacher), Ms Taylor (Science teacher), Ms Kitto (English teacher), and Ms Dolan (DT teacher). We wish them all the very best in their future and thank them for all that they've done during their time at the College.

May I take this opportunity to say a big thank you to parents and carers for your ongoing support and I wish you and your families a lovely summer.

Yours sincerely,

*Alex Lingard*

Headteacher

## INFORMATION & UPDATES

### **Piercings, Jewellery and PE**

As you know, students must remove all jewellery for their PE lessons. If your child is intending to have any new piercings over the summer, we politely ask that this is done early in the holidays to allow time for the jewellery to be removed ready for PE lessons at the start of term.

### **Glue Sticks**

As part of their equipment from September, please could parents and carers ensure students bring in a glue stick with them to College each day.

### **Parent-Teacher Association**

We are looking to set up a College PTA next term. The remit of the group will be decided by the group itself, but will probably involve support for college concerts and productions, organising fundraising events and helping to run a pre-loved uniform shop. If you would like to join the PTA, please complete the short form via the following link: <https://forms.office.com/e/izTRv5r4mj>

### **Parent/Carer Consent Forms for Trips 2023-24**

We have reviewed our consent process for trips. A new annual consent form for 2023-24 has been produced and can be accessed via the link below. This will need to be completed as soon as possible, preferably prior to the start of the academic year. In addition to the annual consent form, we will inform parents/carers of individual trips or fixtures and you will then need to confirm that you give permission for your child to attend that specific particular trip - this may either be via a reply slip on a letter or collected via Parent Pay, where you will be required to tick a box. Some trip leaders may use the Parent Pay facility to allow you to grant consent electronically even though the trip does not have any cost attached to it.

[PARENTAL CONSENT FORM](#)

# EXCITING CHANGES FOR SEPTEMBER

## Pastoral Support

To increase the capacity of our Pastoral Team we are returning to a structure where there will be a Head of Year for every year group in Years 7 to 11. The Heads of Year and Pastoral Support Assistants for September will therefore be:

All the Pastoral Support Assistants and all the Heads of Year, except Mr Dudley, will remain with their year group as they move up the school. Mr Dudley will remain as the permanent Head of Year 7 to support the transition from Year 6.

**Year 7 - Mr Dudley & Ms Batchelor**  
**Year 8 - Mr Lovelock & Ms Marsh**  
**Year 9 - Miss Hawkey & Ms Dyer**  
**Year 10 - Mr Richardson & Ms Cameron**  
**Year 11 - Mrs Barnes & Ms Breasley**



## iPads

In September, we are providing iPads to all teachers and to all our Post 16 students to enable us to enhance the quality of teaching and learning. Access to a variety of apps will give students and teachers the opportunity to make the most of the amazing technology that continues to develop so rapidly. We are hopeful that we will then be able to roll this out to all students across the rest of the College in the future.



## Tutor Time Reading

Reading should not be underestimated, it is such an important part of students succeeding in their education. We have therefore decided to devote a second, short tutor time in the afternoon to reading. Tutors will continue to meet with their tutor groups every morning, but will also read with the students every afternoon after lunch.

## Earlier Lunches

By changing the structure of the day slightly, lunchtimes will now be at an earlier time next year, something, I know, will be welcomed by many. Lunch will now start at 1.00pm (rather than 1.20pm) and will continue to be 40 minutes in length.



## ACTIVITY WEEK

In the last full week of the summer term next year, we will be running an Activity Week for students in Years 7 to 9 whilst Year 10 students take part in work experience. During the week, students will be off-timetable taking part in a choice of activities that will include day trips, residential trips, in-school and off-site events. We are aiming to publish the programme of activities before October half-term.





## JAZZ ORCHESTRA CONCERT



Helston School Jazz Orchestra played at Trevassack Lake on a sunny afternoon at the launch of a new music venue.



Tickets were sold out and the capacity audience were treated to solo performances by Miriam McDonagh, Leighton King, Jacob Jewell and Isabelle Goldsworthy. Funds raised will go towards next year's planned tour to Alicante.

# Young Carers in School

**Helston Community College has been given a Bronze award for their work to make sure students don't miss out on an education because they are young carers.**

The Young Carers in Schools programme helps primary and secondary schools improve outcomes for young carers and celebrates good practice through the Young Carers in Schools Award.

Headteacher: 'We're delighted to be receiving this award and will continue to do all we can to ensure our Young Carers get the support they need. I'd like to thank Ms Mugford and Ms Martin for leading on this and to staff across the College for being so supportive.'

Young Carer: One of our Year 7 Young Carers said 'I am glad that the school has got the award. It is good that people are more aware that young carers can struggle and it's great that we have the Young Carers festival trip coming up which lets us have a breather from the commitments we have'

Young Carers are responsible for emotional, practical or physical care for a parent/carer, sibling or other family member who has a physical disability, mental health issue or substance misuse issue. The 2011 Census statistics revealed that there are just over 166,000 Young Carers in England, but research reveals that this is just the tip of the iceberg. The true figure could be closer to 800,000 young carers in England, equivalent to one in 5 secondary aged school children many of whom are unrecognised and unsupported.

Research carried out by Carers Trust and The

Children's Society shows that, on average, Young Carers miss or cut short 48 school days a year and often have lower levels of self-confidence, mental wellbeing and significantly lower educational attainment at GCSE level, because of their caring role. Ofsted's Common Inspection Framework states that inspectors will look at how well schools support young carers. While some schools are doing this really well, others struggle and this causes real problems for young carers.

"To achieve their Bronze Award Helston Community College has demonstrated that it supports Young Carers in many ways, including homework clubs and drop-in sessions with a member of staff who is responsible for this vulnerable group of students. Vital information about how to identify Young Carers is made available to all College staff, and noticeboards and the College webpage let students and their families know where to go for help".





# HELSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S ECO-COMMITTEE



Students from Helston Community College's Eco-Committee attended a Climate Festival on 30 June at Heartlands in Pool, organised by RJ Working. They were given the opportunity to work with students from three other secondary schools to share good practice about the ways in which schools are working to address the climate crisis. Students attended a variety of workshops and listened to presentations that focused on sustainability and biodiversity. Our students also presented their own work to the audience, talking about rainforest habitats and the negative impact of the planned Willow Project (a controversial oil and gas drilling project in Alaska). Our students also shared a short video that outlined all the fantastic work they have been doing at the College to reduce any negative impact on the environment. Their conduct and courage on the day, as well as their continued commitment to the eco-committee and the eco-volunteer programme in College, should be celebrated. Well done to you all!



## CORNISH MINING GAMES



An enthusiastic group of Year 8 students attended King Edward Mine to participate in the annual Cornish Mining Games. Students practised mining strategies, such as, hand steeling, surveying, sawing,

mucking, mineral separation and panning. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all and we placed 3rd in the discipline of hand steeling and 2nd in surveying. Well done Helston team!

*"Pupils are kind, respectful and polite towards each other. Pupils behave well in lessons and around the school. Leaders and staff have embedded effective routines to support pupils' behaviour."*

- Ofsted 2022



# KS3 English London Trip – June 2023



On 22 & 23 June 2023, forty-five Year 9 students and five members of staff visited London where they took part in a range of English-related activities and experienced a variety of things that the City had to offer.

After a 3am departure, we made the long journey to the big City. We arrived at The Natural History Museum at 11am. Students travelled through 4.6 billion years of our planet's history – starting with volcanoes and earthquakes, leading to the story of human evolution, seeing real fossils of prehistoric animals, and concluding with a group photo underneath the world-famous 25-metre blue whale skeleton.

Next, after a brief check-in at the hotel, it was back on the coach to Leicester Square for an all-you-can-eat pizza buffet and some time to be tourists in the Lego and M&M stores before making our way to The Cambridge Theatre for a production of Matilda. The students really enjoyed the show; I even caught a few singing along to some of the tracks! After the show, it was back on the coach and time for some well-deserved rest.

The next morning, we boarded the coach again and made our way to Shakespeare's Globe. Students took part in a quick tour of the inside of the theatre,

stopping briefly to watch a group of actors rehearsing for an upcoming performance. The students really enjoyed picturing what life would have been like during Shakespeare's time and sitting where some of the wealthier members of Elizabethan society would have sat. We then visited the brand-new, walk-through exhibition space, where students were immersed in the sights, sounds, and secrets of Shakespeare's London, travelling through over 400 years of fascinating history. Students encountered specially-curated displays, and even had the chance to get ready for the stage themselves with interactive costumes and props.

The final stop of the trip was to the Harry Potter Studios in Watford. It was truly magical to see the excitement and awe on the students' faces as they walked between the authentic film sets and saw the actual costumes and props used in the films. A particular highlight was seeing the students' reactions to Gringott's bank – but I won't ruin the surprise if you are planning to visit this summer!

The students were an absolute delight and a credit to themselves and the College. Despite the long days, some unavoidable delays, and the sweltering London heat, I was so proud of their enthusiasm and positive attitude in every single aspect of the trip.

## Food and Nutrition with Parc Eglos

At the end of June Mrs Smith welcomed two classes from Parc Eglos to the Food and Nutrition Department. They had been learning about Cornish culture and all things Cornish – so why not learn to make some scones with gorgeous Cornish clotted cream? They worked brilliantly in their teams to produce a delicious batch of scones and devoured them in seconds with some jam and Cornish clotted cream – obviously, jam first! Thank you to Mrs Eddy at Parc Eglos and her amazing team of assistants who made the day possible.

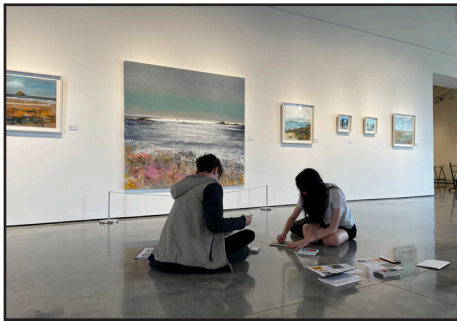




## Year 10 GCSE Fine Art Group

Mx S-J Marsden took her Year 10 GCSE Fine Art group to the award-winning green built carbon-negative Jackson Foundation Art Gallery in St Just this week. The students had a close look at the incredible work of Cornish landscape artist Kurt Jackson and spent time copying areas of their wonderful colours and textures using pastels, and

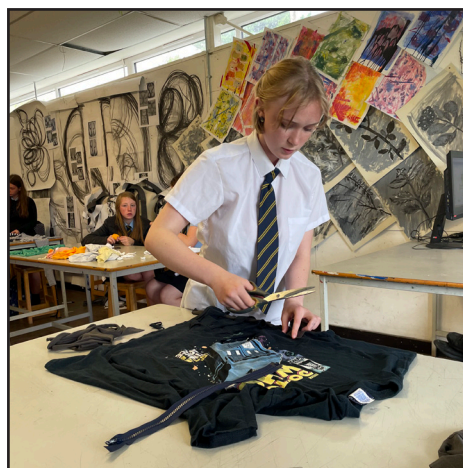
pens. All of the paintings in the current exhibition are inspired by the marvellous RNLI, who annually assist over 8,000 lives in Cornwall, and there was a moving photography exhibition upstairs charting the history and current work of the charity. The students research work will inspire the production and design of their own Jackson-inspired landscape paintings early next term.



## Fashion Upcycling Project

Students from all year groups have been given the opportunity to work on a fashion upcycling project with Claire Barker-Phillips, Course Leader, Fashion Design BA(Hons) Falmouth University. The students were given t-shirts to adapt creatively during two after school sessions and produced imaginative and original pieces. Claire said she was "really impressed with their fantastic work, and thought there were definitely some future fashion designers in the group."

## BRONZE INDUSTRIAL CADETS AWARD



Seven of our Year 9 students recently completed their Bronze Industrial Cadets Award. This involved them having to research and devise a solution to a real world problem, with one group choosing to design a building which would stand up to the challenges posed by climate change, and the other looking at ways of tackling the problems associated with fast fashion to try and reduce the amount of waste produced by our growing population. Students worked in collaboration with an industry partner from BAE Systems or Leonardo to write a report outlining the problem and their solution, before their work was assessed in an online viva.

One team also won the innovation award for the work they carried out with the judges saying "The project showcased a thorough level of research, the team clearly demonstrated a solid foundation of knowledge and understanding of the fashion industry and associated economic models. Additionally, your solution stood out as highly practical when compared to other submissions with a clear plan to implement and support the project beyond the scope of the assignment."



## Fun-filled day of Sport at Helston Community College



Helston Community College presented an action-packed day of physical activity for students in Years 7-10. Students showcased outstanding performances in a wide range of sports and physical activities, demonstrating skill, endeavour, and their outstanding leadership, teamwork and communication skills.

This year staff were supported by over 40 Post 16 students who adopted various roles including photographers, referees and track and field officials. They helped to ensure the day was student-centred and celebrated high levels of participation across all year groups. The list of activities for students to enjoy included Athletics, Football, Rounders, and Tug of War. In addition, Matt Nott from Infinity Wave, brought along skate ramps and rails to the college for students to learn how to Surfskate. This was a very exciting addition to our usual Sports Day programme of events.

Another popular feature of Helston Sports Day is the opportunity to take part in other fun activities such as Wellie Throwing, Sack, and Egg & Spoon races. The day featured so much that everybody was able to perform and fulfil their potential.

Throughout the day students competed against each other for their tutor group teams in many keenly contested events to earn points. Among many notable highlights of the day James P, a Year 9 student, broke the high jump, long jump and 200m records.

Trophies were presented to winning tutor groups for each year at the end of the day. The 2023 winners were: 7B, 8E, 9G & 10A.

Students are already looking forward to next year's event, and thinking about how they can improve their tactics in various events to achieve their best.

The PE and Sport Faculty look forward to welcoming the students again in September and delivering a wide variety of clubs and extracurricular fixtures for them to enjoy!





# Young Carers Festival 2023



Seven of our students who have a caring responsibility outside of College recently attended the Young Carers Festival in Southampton. This is an annual event attended by 1200 young people from all over England and Wales. This is the biggest festival in the world dedicated to young carers.

The aim of the festival is for Young Carers to have fun, unwind, make new friends and try new things. Highlights of the weekend included, fairground rides, live music, outdoor movies, fireworks, laser tag and a massive outdoor disco on the Saturday night.



## Biology Challenge



In May, Year 10 Biologists competed in the Biology Challenge run by the Royal Society of Biology. This is an international competition run every year with over 44,000 students competing. The competition required students to take two, twenty five minute multiple choice papers. The aim of the competition is to both challenge and stimulate students' curiosity in the biosciences and to stretch their understanding beyond the classroom. The students were asked familiar and novel questions ranging from ecology to biotechnology.

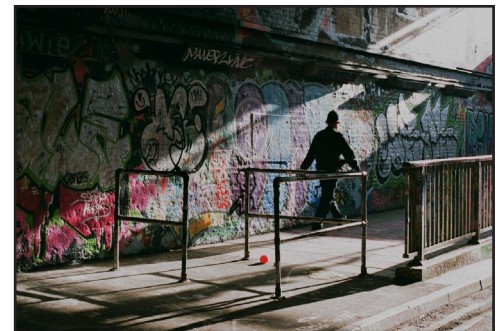
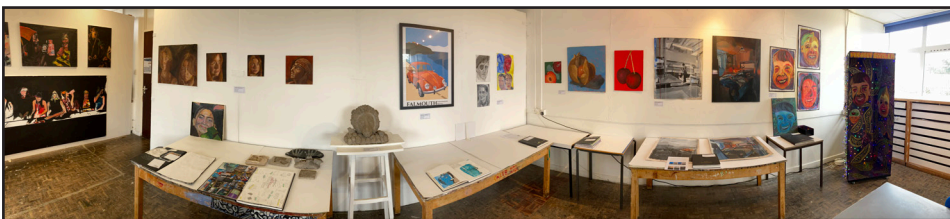
The students that took part in the competition performed really well and should be congratulated on their performance. Students were awarded with a range of awards dependent on their overall scores. Seven students from the College received the Bronze award, this accounted for only 15% of the total number of the students who took part in the competition, and one student received the Silver award which was only allocated to 10% of the total entries. Well done to all the students who participated.



# Art & Photography News



Here are some images from the A Level Art, Photography and BTEC level 3 Diploma in Art & Design moderation display, alongside some images of the Post 16 Art, Design and Photography exhibition at CAST Helston. The students exhibited some fantastic work and received a lot of praise from the public who visited the CAST show. All the creative students who have applied to university have been successful in receiving offers from a range of degree courses including; interior design, fine art, fashion, photography, visual effects and theme park management! We wish them every success.



## Rosuick Farm & Beach Clean

Members of Helston Community College's Eco-group attended a visit at Rosuick Farm on the Lizard on Friday 14 July to learn about sustainable agriculture and agroforestry. Despite the terrible weather, the visit was extremely informative and fun. The students learned about the benefits of herbal leys for both the land and for animal health; the uses of agroforestry in land management; biodiversity; meadow management and about the benefits of being in nature for human health and well-being. Students also learned about a variety of careers linked to agriculture, ecology and botany. We were treated to a farm tour on a covered trailer which provided a welcome respite from the rain! Thank you to the staff at the farm for giving us such an enjoyable and informative day. On the return journey to college we completed a beach clean at Church Cove Gunwalloe to continue our work on the marine environment and plastic pollution that we have been focusing on this term.





## Diana Award - Community Badge

We are delighted to announce that the College Anti-Bullying Team have achieved the Diana Award, Community Badge.

Please see the email below which we received from the Diana Award:

Congratulations, we are awarding you the Community Action Badge! This is a great achievement for your team and we hope you will all be very proud of your hard work.



You are being awarded the Anti-Bullying Ambassador Community Action Badge because you have shown:

1. Your commitment to supporting younger students' learning by delivering engaging anti-bullying awareness workshops at local primary schools.
2. Your dedication to supporting people in the community by creating posters to let them know that they are not alone.
3. Your creativity by collaborating with the Kindness Ambassadors to provide kindness pebbles to residents at a local care home.
4. Your commitment to sharing your anti-bullying work with others by inviting a local MP to come for a presentation and discussion with the team.
5. Your dedication to ensuring that parents/carers understand the school's ethos and approach to anti-bullying work by creating an informative leaflet.

The Anti-Bullying Team will now be working towards the Diana Award, Respect Badge. This will involve the students raising the profile of protected characteristics and challenging hate speech.

### STUDENT LEADER APPOINTMENTS

**Head of Key Stage 3:** Tamsin Marquis, Jen Fooks and Charlotte Haycock

**Head of Key Stage 4:** Amelia Harrison, Jasmin Watson, Aaliyah Minhas

**Vice President of College:** Charlotte Bibby

**President of College:** Tabitha Whitehouse

### ABSENCE – Important Notices for Parents and Carers

If your child is absent from College, please can you call the College every day of their absence before 9.15am. Please leave a message with specific detail as to why they are unable to attend. Please can we also ask you to let us know of any medical/orthodontist appointments in advance. This helps unnecessary phone calls being made.

**Please note:** If your child is absent from College without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent/carer, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the College may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.

# The TECgirls Green Future Jam



The TECgirls Green Future Jam promised to be an exciting and engaging experience for Year 8 girls to show them specifically how technology, engineering and coding/apps can be used to make the world a better place, and it did not disappoint! The TECgirls Green Future event, hosted at The Eden Project, was for Year 8 girls from schools across Cornwall, over one hundred girls in total.

It was a very exciting day with lots planned for the students to take part in. There was an opening talk on girls in technology, where Caitlin and Suzanne shared their experiences and journeys into their very different tech jobs.



Defra then explained the role technology plays in assisting businesses they work with enhance their productivity - for example a robot travelling through a crop field and pinpointing areas that are affected by disease.

The students chose one of five environmental related issues raised by DEFRA where the gathering and sharing of data from the public could help create tools needed to make real-world positive change.

The girls spent the rest of the morning taking part in three Digital Design workshops: Coding with microbits, product design/user-centred design and product development/prototypes.



During the breaks, the girls had the chance to speak to some local tech/digital and engineering companies and lots of positive female role models were on hand to speak to the girls around the theme of 'ask me about my job.'

After lunch they had just two hours, in teams, designing and prototyping their app. Each team had to pitch to all the students and teacher, the mentors who worked alongside them and most importantly the panel of judges. The winning app being developed by the sponsoring organisation, ServiceNow.

Although neither of the Helston teams' pitches won, each of the girls took part in every element of the day with 100% effort. They demonstrated exceptional teamwork, innovation and communication. Both of Helston teams' mentors were ServiceNow executives who were full of praise. "Firstly, I'd forgotten how hilarious and brilliant 13 year old girls are. They came up with a rewards-based apps to eliminate litter, and the ingenuity was astounding (their app user was Taylor Swift-loving 'with a vegan aesthetic'", Liz Cook, Client Executive at ServiceNow.

This TECgirls Green Future Jam was sponsored by ServiceNow (find out more about them from their factsheet), DEFRA and Watson-Marlow.

You can learn more about TECgirls on their website <https://www.tecgirls.co.uk/> and can contact them with any questions at [info@tecgirls.co.uk](mailto:info@tecgirls.co.uk)



Well done to Willow, Jasmine, Sophie, Merryn, Abigail, Khara, Beatrice, Ellie, Lilia, Elsie, Ella and Holly. I was personally very proud of their attitude, conduct and achievements today. (The singing on the way home was pretty good too!)  
Mrs Hocking - Head of Technology and Enterprise Faculty





## Year 7



Jen F	7H	442
Dylan R-R	7D	438
Aimee B	7H	397
Elsie E	7E	396
Finley W-H	7E	394
Ruan W	7H	379
Liv S	7G	364
Alex H	7F	352
Tehya P	7F	349
Ashley M	7G	342
Isabelle G	7D	331
Chloe T	7E	322
Thea G	7B	320
Jasper B	7G	319
Elodie H	7G	317

## Year 8



Adam H	8G	395
Lily B	8G	381
Charlotte H	8G	360
Benjamin N	8C	357
Amelie M	8E	346
James B	8C	345
Ethan J	8A	333
Lucy R-M	8A	333
Piran I	8G	323
Jasmine K	8A	321
Poppy S	8G	315
Willow F	8A	307
Lydia S	8E	304
Anya E	8D	302
Temera-Jane O	8D	300

## Year 9



George W	9J	386
Elsie R	9B	336
Max D	9C	333
Jessica M	9B	330
Evelyn B	9C	329
Harley E	9J	327
Samuel H	9H	318
Riley T	9D	315
Emily M	9C	312
Elias B	9G	306
Gabe S	9J	301
Alfie C	9D	299
Miriam M	9B	291
Willow V	9E	284
Florence S	9D	282

## Year 10



Imogen S	10B	339
Phoebe J	10D	322
Annie H	10E	255
Ruby P	10E	244
Emily P	10D	243
Luke P	10F	243
Chloe C	10D	238
Hollie-Mai H	10E	233
Jack W	10A	230
Alisha S	10A	228
Tom M	10B	224
Amelia H	10B	219
Charlie D	10A	218
Amina B	10F	216
Zac G	10A	211

## Year 12



Charlie S	P3	83
Tabby W	P5	67
Emily S	P8	61
Megan R	P8	57
Callum A	P8	53
Millie B	P8	50
Ronan T	P8	42
Charlotte B	P3	41
Zara T	P3	41
Katie C	P9	32

*Well Done!*



# STUDENT OF THE MONTH

## Year 7

**Aimee B**



Nominated by MS Lealand for her amazing attitude to all aspects of school, always ready to learn and up for a challenge. She has great attendance and is one of our amazing Diamond Award Winners.

# July '23

## Year 10

**Emily P**

Emily was nominated for her consistent hard work and positive smiling attitude every lesson by Ms Mullins. Many staff agree that Emily has been a star all year.



## Year 8

**Harley W**

Not only has Harley attended well and achieved lots of praise points he is an absolutely, delightful young man and a pleasure to teach.  
Nominated by Mrs Bloor

## Post 16

**Tabby W**



Tabby has been nominated by Dr Ryan for her ideas to improve the student experience at Post 16, whilst maintaining her focus on her academic work. Tabby has impressed so much she has been voted as next year's Student President.

## Year 9

**Jasmin W**

Jasmin has been nominated by Mr van der Lem for being an active participant in the life of the college and a polite, intelligent and kind student. What more could we ask for?





# STUDENT OF THE MONTH

## Nominations

### YEAR 7

Ashley	M	7	Effort in PE lessons and commitment to extra-curricular.	S Murray-Adams
Neve	C	7	Showing fantastic effort and commitment to PE in lessons and in extra curricular clubs.	V Pryor
Tommy	H	7	Excellent focus and determination in Food lessons. Great listening skills and always positive!	C Smith
Elodie	h	7	Working hard to keep on top of things since she had a bit of absence.	S Morbey
Harry	l	7	For working very hard in French and trying lots of strategies for learning.	S Morbey
Liv	S	7	For always being enthusiastic and fully engaged in lessons.	E Martin
Florence	S	7	For increased contributions in lessons and always working hard in Spanish.	E Martin
Jacob	S	7	For fabulous contributions in Spanish lessons and amazing enthusiasm.	E Martin
George	G	7	For always aiming high in his work and always being polite and kind.	E Martin
Liam	N	7	For his positive outlook to learning and his wonderful attitude in maths.	H Westaway
Millie	H	7	For her consistent hard-work and positive attitude in maths.	H Westaway
Kenie	M	7	For being an absolute joy to teach in maths - well done for working so hard!	H Westaway
Jen	F	7	For always putting a smile on my face, be it her hard work, impeccable behaviour or just her sparkling personality.	C Lealand
Thea	G	7	Always ready to learn, always trying her hardest, beautiful manners, a pleasure to have in the classroom.	C Lealand
Liv	S	7	The effort she puts into each science lesson is outstanding!	S Mullins
Jacob	S	7	The kindness and helpfulness he displays every lesson. He is always smiling!	S Mullins
Jen	F	7	For outstanding effort in English all year and recently being published in a short story anthology.	L Jordan

### YEAR 8

Tyler	P	8	Always being so polite to reception staff.	A Cann
Blossom	N S	8	For her consistently positive attitude and support of other students.	M Spink
Ellie	D	8	For her positivity in PE.	S Murray-Adams
Isaac	A	8	Brilliant commitment to his DT work, always being SO kind and polite to others and for being an all round star.	C Smith
Poppy	S	8	For being a good citizen and working so hard in English.	M Ross-Macdonald
Stanley	F	8	Working hard to gain level 5 in 2D Design! An incredible achievement!	K Dolan
Libby	W	8	For working hard in Spanish since she has returned to the classroom.	S Morbey
Maya	R	8	Continued hard work in Spanish - a quiet determination!	E Martin
Felix	P	8	For always being positive and polite.	E Martin
James	B	8	For his consistent hard-work and determination in maths - what a fantastic role model!	H Westaway
Kateryna	K	8	For her dedication and commitment to maths - she always works at maximum effort!	H Westaway
Megan	M	8	For her commitment to Science all year, she has worked diligently and has been an absolute pleasure!	M Taylor
Maddie	B	8	For being a brilliant role model in Science all year, working solidly and engaging in all aspects of the lessons.	M Taylor
Isaac	A	8	Consistent hard work and enthusiasm for geography.	C White
Ellie	D	8	For showing a much more focused and conscientious approach to her studies, and for overall improved behaviour and attitude to learning.	E Hawkey
Joe	C	8	For being an absolute delight to teach!	E Hawkey
Wear	L	8	For trying her hardest in every lesson and having the confidence to ask for help to improve.	E Bragg
Archer	L	8	For her dedication and commitment in PE and extra curricular clubs.	E Bragg



# STUDENT OF THE MONTH

## Nominations

### YEAR 9

Chloe	S	9	For her positive energy in PE.	S Murray-Adams
Aisling	G	9	Working hard in her PE lessons.	S Murray-Adams
Rose	W	9	For bringing her ingredients and always supporting others in food lessons.	C Smith
Jessica	M	9	Always striving to do her best in French.	S Morbey
George	W	9	Always trying his hardest in Spanish.	SMorbey
Finlay	F	9	For developing an amazing Spanish accent.	SMorbey
Miriam	M	9	For always getting involved and an amazing performance at the 6th form presentation evening.	E Martin
Florence	S	9	Amazing progress in Spanish and great contributions in class.	E Martin
Jacob	T	9	For being an absolute delight every morning during tutor time.	H Westaway
Alfie	C	9	For being a fantastic role model and an absolute pleasure to have in tutor time everyday.	H Westaway
Lexie	L	9	Her hard working attitude in her science lessons with Miss T and Mrs M.	S Mullins
Chester	W	9	Super answering of questions in science lessons.	S Mullins
Dominic	F	9	Hard work and focus he displays each lesson - such a brilliant attitude.	S Mullins
Meah	H	9	For demonstrating a consistently hard-working and mature attitude towards her studies throughout Year 9.	E Hawkey

### YEAR 10

Johnson	L	9	For demonstrating a mature attitude and being so polite and kind in every lesson.	E Bragg
Kitty	H	10	For being a good citizen and working hard across the board no matter the challenge.	C Price
George	A	10	For showing great commitment and dedication to the subject and for always thinking of his next steps - keep up the brilliant work.	C Smith
James	Y	10	Outstanding effort in geography and great contributions to class discussions.	L Allsey
Reuben	G	10	An incredible month of continued excellent effort with a motivated attitude. All the best for Year 11!	K Dolan
Gracie	R	10	For being an outstanding member of Helston College. Gracie puts so much effort in to everything she does.	C Price
Annie	H	10	For an excellent attempt at her first GCSE style speaking assessment.	S Morbey
Ruby	P	10	For her dedication and commitment to keep trying in her Physics lessons even when she finds it difficult.	S Mullins
Jacob	S	10	For a fantastic attitude to learning in geography; all work completed on time and to a high standard.	J Bryce
Maya	S	10	For the effort that she puts into every geography lesson and her kindness to other classmates.	J Bryce
Amber	B	10	For her great assessment results, her positive attitude and her overall hard work during this last half term.	C O'Hare

### POST 16

Jess	H	12	Outstanding effort, drive and determination in psychology.	D Dudley
Ryan	G	12	Having an absolutely brilliant attitude to learning and boundless enthusiasm.	N Bispham
Kade	B	12	Enthusiasm and support across the wider school community including sports day and transition day events.	K Ryan
Sam	T	12	For his effort and research in developing his geography NEA.	K Ryan
Alia	B	12	For her positivity throughout the year particularly in geology lessons and the Post 16 centre.	K Ryan



### KS3 News

As we head towards the end of term and look forward to the summer holidays we finish with the theme of celebrating our achievements throughout the year.

I hope you have received your child's end of year report and it made pleasing reading with teachers giving you a summary of subject specific strengths and areas for further development.

In assemblies and tutorial we have started looking at preparing our Year 8 and Year 9 students for work experience in the future remembering the mantra that if you love your job you will never work a day in your life which I subscribe to and I am lucky to have achieved (sometimes!) We have discussed the importance of students finding their passion and what makes their heart beat quicker. Whether this is dancing or writing short stories, solving equations or drawing; whatever this may be we know this will help everyone learn and engage better. We look forward to students having the opportunities of doing more of what they love and discovering what they love to do.



It has been a busy term with the completion of the public examinations, a fantastic Sports Day, summer balls and various trips and visits including Newquay Zoo, Pendennis Castle and The Eden Project. In addition we say congratulations to the Year 11s and 13s and hope the Year 10 and 12 students did their very best on work experience. We also welcome Year 5 and 6 students who have been in sampling life at our College and who are preparing to start their journey at Helston Community College.

We have held end of year celebration assemblies and awards evenings, saying thank you and rewarding the students that have played a significant role within the College by achieving outstanding outcomes whether in behaviour, effort, progress, attainment, impact or leadership.

I hope everyone finished the year with a feeling of fulfilment, achievement and pride with the knowledge that we can build on these foundations ready for another exciting and enjoyable ride in the next academic year.

I hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable summer and we look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

**Terry Richardson**  
*Director of Key Stage 3*

### KS4 News

As always, this time of the year is a series of goodbyes and 'last of's'. The Year 11 were absolute superstars with their attitude to the exams, revision and keeping calm. A few weeks ago we had the last exams, can hear a sigh of relief from those Year 11 parents/carers. They had their final revision lessons, their final assembly and goodbyes to friends and teachers. The Summer Ball at Falmouth was spectacular featuring some beautiful dresses and smart suits. Students were all looking well beyond their age, so grown up. Lots of final photos and excitement as to what lies ahead.

For the Year 10 students they were able to see their peers model excellent behaviour and attitude to their exams. They started their mocks and rose to the occasion, working hard and attempting to do their best. There will be a parent's/carers' evening soon when we get back so you can discuss with teachers how they have done and what they need to do next. I would like to wish you all a very calm, fun and relaxing break. It will be a busy one next year but the staff at the College are ready to lead them through to the exam season. I will be staying with the year group and look forward to supporting them. Well done Key Stage 4 have a great summer.

**Siobhan Barnes**  
*Director of Key Stage 4.*



### 'Au Revoir' to our Tree in the Quad

Sadly, the tree in the quad (we think it is a linden tree) is in its 'end of life' stage. The roots are also blocking the drains, so need removing. After speaking with the tree surgeon, we are hopeful the tree can be saved, but will need pollarding to allow it to regenerate over time. However, it won't look as lovely as it currently does for a while.



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Exam Results Days and P16 Enrolment

All KS4 and KS5 results can be collected from the Post 16 Centre. Any results not collected will be posted home to the student's residential address held on the College records. If it has been agreed for the student's results to be emailed, these will be sent out as close to 9.00am as possible on the appropriate results day.

#### KS4 Results:

Year 11 - Thursday 24 August 9.00am - 11.00am

Year 10 - Thursday 24 August 10.00am - 11.00am

#### KS5 Results:

Year 13 - Thursday 17 August - 9.00am - 11.00am

Year 12 - Thursday 17 August - 10.00am - 11.00am

#### P16 Enrolment

This year, students can confirm their Post 16 course choices on Thursday 24 August from 10.00am - 3.30pm and Friday 25 August from 9.00am - 3.00pm in the Post 16 Centre

#### Save the Dates

We will be holding some important parent evenings at the start of term and hope to see all parents in attendance. Please save the dates as follows:

12 September - Year 8 Parents' Information Evening, 5.00pm - 6.00pm

13 September - Year 9 Parents' Information Evening, 5.00pm - 6.00pm

14 September - Year 10 GCSE Success Evening, time tbc

20 September - Year 11 Parent-Teacher Consultation Evening, 4.30pm - 7.00pm

18 September - P16 Parent-Information Evening, 4.30pm - 7pm

18 October - Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening, 5.00pm

#### Start of the New Academic Year

The new term starts with two INSET Days (4th & 5th September) and then a staggered return for students as follows:

Wednesday 6th September - Year 7, Year 10 & Year 12 return (8.45am start)

Thursday 7th September - all other students return (8.45am start)



## KS5 News

As we approach the end of term, it has been a time of farewells and celebrations, as we have marked the end of the Year 13s' time in Post-16 with some lovely events. With the exams finished, the year group came into College for their leavers' day, returning their books, and having a farewell assembly. The same day, we held the more formal Celebration Evening, which commemorated their many achievements with speeches, the award of subject prizes and cups, and the presentation of the students' records of achievement. It was a splendid occasion, the South Site Hall full of parents/carers and students, and many stayed on afterwards for some nostalgic conversations.



The following week saw the wonderful Post 16 Ball at Falmouth Hotel, a beautiful sea-front venue, where we were very well looked after by their staff. There was a brilliant atmosphere as the students ate very well, danced enthusiastically, and clearly enjoyed themselves. It was great to see so much friendly interaction between the Year 12 and 13 students, as well as with the teachers who went along. A real highlight was the wonderful music provided by the students themselves, a reduced version of our superb Jazz Band, and the dance floor was packed! The event was a real testament to our Sixth Form, and the positive relationships amongst the students and the staff. Special thanks to Katie Davies who put a huge amount of time and effort into organising the event, and to Leighton King who played a key role in organising the music. Great dance contributions from Mrs Renyard, Mrs Spink, and the extraordinary body-popping of Mr Bloor!

And with the departure of Year 13, Year 12 students have been stepping up to the plate by taking on more responsibility, supporting the wider College community with important events and activities. Many of them volunteered to support the Year 6 transition days, which were large and complex events to organise. Mr Richardson was full of praise for the work and support given by the students. Sports Day also saw many Year 12s helping to organise events, supporting the staff and younger students. Mr Woolcock, who masterminded the day, was also full of gratitude for the way our students got involved. To thank those that helped, he kindly arranged a sports afternoon for the students, with rounders and tug of war, some food and music, a fun and pleasant occasion. So it is great to see Post -16 students giving up their time to support the whole College community, helping staff, and acting as role models to the younger members of the College.

So as we end another academic year, with the Year 12s moving on to their work experience week, and looking forward to their summer break, I would like to thank all of the staff and students involved with Post-16 for all the work they have put in this year and their contributions to what is a vital and vibrant part of our College. Thanks also to the parents/carers who do so much to support their sons and daughters in the challenging two years of Sixth Form education. Have a lovely summer.

**Danny Gillman**  
Director of Key Stage 5.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>July</b>	21st	Break-up for Summer!
<b>August</b>	17th	Y13 A Level Results Day 9-11am Y12 Results: 10-11am
	24th	Y11 GCSE Results Day 9-11am Y10 Results: 10-11am
	24th	P16 Enrolment 10am-3.30pm
	25th	P16 Enrolment 10am-3pm
<b>September</b>	4th	Inset Day College closed to students
	5th	Inset Day College closed to students
	6th	Years 7, 10 & 12 (8.45am) Back to School!
	7th	All Years (8.45am) BacSchool!
	12th	Year 8 Parents' Evening, 5-6pm
	13th	Year 9 Parents' Evening, 5-6pm
	14th	Y10 GCSE & BTEC Success Evening
	18th	P16 Parents' Evening
	20th	Year 11 Parent-Teacher Consultation Evening, 4-7pm
<b>October</b>	18th	Year 7 Meet the Tutor
	20th	Break-up for Half Term
	30th	Back to School!
<b>November</b>	24th	Inset Day College closed to students
<b>December</b>	19th	Break-up for Christmas
<b>January</b>	4th & 5th	Inset Day College closed to students
<b>February</b>	9th	Break-up for Half Term
	19th	Back to School!
<b>March</b>	28th	Break-up for Easter
<b>April</b>	15th	Back to School
<b>May</b>	6th	Bank Holiday
	8th	Flora Day - School Closed
	24th	Break-up for Half Term
<b>June</b>	3rd	Back to School
<b>July</b>	23rd	Break-up for Summer!
	24th	Inset Day College closed

**2023-24 Term Dates**  
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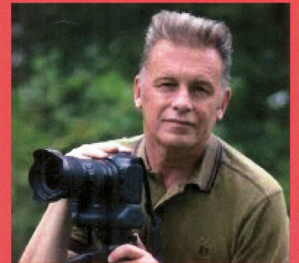
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