



**TORPOINT
COMMUNITY
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NEWSLETTER



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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Last week we arranged for Rich Cottell to come into College and as well as entertaining students with his music, he spoke sensitively about the topic of cyber bullying. Close in age to many of the students Rich experienced first-hand the complex world of online life: gaming and social media. He reminded students about the positives as well as the risks involved. Feedback from students and staff was positive and I know we all wish him well as he moves through the music industry. His website, to look for further details and to see him mention his visit to the College, can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PyKG5KNjH90>

I know that there are many students revising for exams at the moment so my best wishes to them. The unseasonably good weather is, I realise, a distraction at times but I am clear they will keep their resolve and concentration.

Best wishes

Mrs Hazeldine

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

1st May – Richard Feast Memorial Mile

12th May – Year 10 Parents' Evening

9th & 10th June – Year 6 Open Mornings

Academic Year 2014/15 Term Dates

Summer Term 13th April – 17th July
(Half term 25th-29th May)

**CORNWALL'S
ARMED FORCES DAY**
armedforcesday.org.uk

Saturday 20th June 2015
at Thanckes Park (the Lawn), Torpoint

MORNING

- 11am Veterans Parade

AFTERNOON

- Demonstrations
- Marching Bands
- Static Displays

EVENING

- Live Bands
- Entertainment
- 10pm Fireworks Display

for further details

www.cornwallarmedforcesday.co.uk
www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk

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TEXTILES TRIP TO LONDON

London's where I was brought up. It's where my heart is and where I get my inspiration."

- Alexander McQueen, January 2000

The first and largest retrospective of the late designer's work to be presented in Europe, Alexander McQueen: Savage Beauty showcases McQueen's visionary body of work. Spanning his 1992 MA graduate collection to his unfinished A/W 2010 collection, McQueen's designs are presented with the dramatic staging and sense of spectacle synonymous with his runway shows.

The original version of Alexander McQueen: Savage Beauty at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York in 2011 was organised by the Costume Institute and became one of the museum's top 10 most visited exhibitions.

On Friday 27th March the Year 13 Textiles students, Mrs Clare and I visited the Savage Beauty, Alexander McQueen exhibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. It proved to be a most inspirational and breath-taking experience provided by a dramatic, almost theatrical presentation of his work. Following the tour of the exhibition we looked in the V&A shop before heading for some more fashion fixes at London's Oxford Street! The students were mature and really enjoyed the day, their behaviour and attitude to some very challenging design ideas was excellent.

Miss Bell – Faculty leader Art and Design Technology



Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Qualifying Expedition

Well done to the students who completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh qualifying expedition. Eight students and one past student completed their two day expedition around the Polperro and Looe area on the first weekend of the Easter holidays. The weather conditions were misty, wet and windy, which meant they had to alter their route on the Sunday to avoid the coastal path due to the strong gusts of wind.

There were smiles all round after the walkers were debriefed by their assessors and met by parents at the end of Sunday. Thank you to Mrs Trotter, Mr Jenkins, Mrs Porter and Nicola Porter for their support during the expedition. All that remains is for the students to do their presentation to complete their awards.

Team A – James Fortt, Matthew Jenkins, Ben Craddock, Nate White

Team B – Will Millner, Will Lombard, Sam Wainwright, Lisa Smyth, Lucy Hallard.



Healthy Schools Week

Torpoint Community College will be taking part in Healthy Schools Week from Monday 11th- Friday 15th May in conjunction with Global Food Revolution Day with the support of Debbie Thorpe, Volunteer Super Food Revolution Ambassador.

During the weeks leading up to the event, and including the week of the 11th-15th May, there will be a massive focus on healthy lifestyles; through diet, exercise and general wellbeing. This will be delivered by the PE department during their normal lessons as well as DT Food, where there will be a huge focus on eating for health. Furthermore, there will be a nutritionist in assembly to talk to the students about healthy eating and active lifestyles, as well as a range of different tutor activities. TCC is in the process of organising for local chefs to come into to do cooking demonstrations; as well as this we are in organising sponsorship for a "dish of the day" in the College canteen using a local and seasonal ingredient. On Friday 15th May Year 7 DT students will be taking part in "Jamie Oliver's Food revolution cook off" which will hopefully not only be fun, but also show students that healthy eating isn't boring and doesn't take ages either!!

During assemblies students will be invited to complete the Food Revolution petition which can be found here <http://www.foodrevolutionday.com/> Although we are still finalising events, which will be shared with students once they have been confirmed, there will be a competition running until 8th May for students to take part in.

KS3: A Healthy Dessert Using Fruit or Vegetables. Design a healthy dessert using any fruits or vegetables.

KS4: The Foodbank Challenge: Design a Healthy Main Course (meat, fish or vegetarian) using ingredients you might receive from a foodbank.

Students are asked to either email a copy of the recipe method to Mrs Donald Donald.f@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk along with a list of ingredients, a photo of the finished dish as well as their name and DOB, or they can simply hand in their recipe to her in room 16.

The competition is running between now and Summer 2015, with **the closing date entries on Friday 8th May 2015.**

Winners will be notified by Monday 1st June 2015 and the Celebration Lunch (where the winning dishes will be cooked and served) will take place in June 2015. Their final dish will also be made into an online cooking book.

Mrs Fiona Donald

Visit by Rich Cottell

On Monday 13th April Rich Cottell visited the College to talk to students in special assemblies about keeping safe on the internet and issues around cyber bullying. Rich is also a successful songwriter and musician and entertained students (and staff) by singing 3 songs and playing his guitar. Rich sang "Thinking Out Loud by Ed Sheeran), a fantastic song that he wrote himself "Whisk Away the Working Day" and then invited some students to sing along with him to "Uptown Funk". Rich stayed for the whole College day and joined students in the canteen for lunch, giving his autograph and thoroughly enjoyed being around the students.

The day was a HUGE success and there were a lot of happy smiling students!

There was a serious message to Rich's talks – a close family member of his was a victim of bullying and cyber bullying for 3 years, so because of the trauma he knows this can cause those who are victims of such a terrible crime, he now educates young people and points out all the dangers, and positive side, to the internet and gaming devices. Rich is very professional and extremely proficient at getting this message across, being young himself (23), he knows how to relate to young people by using his musical talents.

If you would like to visit Rich Cottell's YouTube site, here is the website- <https://www.youtube.com/user/RichCottellMusic>



Proper Cornish Pasties!

Year 9 Food Technology students took part in a "crimp off" today, led by Proper Cornish Pasties who are based in Bodmin. The students who are all following a Scheme of Learning focused around "Cornish Foods" are learning all about traditional Cornish produce, with a heavy emphasis on fresh, local and seasonal ingredients and cooking recipes that showcase these to their best.

Proper Cornish Pasties, who pride themselves not only on using locally sourced ingredients but also hand crimping all of their pasties, (an astonishing three pasties per minute), came into college today and demonstrated how to fill, close and crimp a pasty to perfection. The students then had an opportunity to practise their skills before taking part in a "crimp off". The final pasties were then judged by Proper Cornish Pasties and a prize was awarded for the fastest and neatest crimped pasty within the allocated time of two minutes.

The students will now develop their crimping skills as well as their imagination as they are required to design and make a new flavour pasty that will be judged in two weeks time again by Proper Cornish Pasties.



HMS RALEIGH VISIT

Wow, what a visit! HMS RALEIGH excelled themselves yet again!

Students and accompanying staff were given the opportunity to visit the Fire School and were very fortunate to be given the chance to put out fires using both fire extinguishers and hoses. The instructors were excellent and all students realised the importance of listening to the instructions that were given to them for their safety. All students behaved with the utmost politeness and respect and were both a credit to the College and themselves.

The Base Warrant Officer and the Training Warrant Officer spoke to the students at the end of the demonstration and stressed how important it was to get good exam grades and that life would be easier and offer more opportunities for them in the future with good qualifications. They said that the Royal Navy expects their staff to work hard and give 100% to everything they do and that once in the Navy, there was still a requirement to sit exams to further their career.

This was an excellent visit and the College is very grateful to HMS Raleigh for hosting it, and offering students an experience they will remember for a very long time.

Lynn Trotter

