



**TORPOINT
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NEWSLETTER



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Academic Year 2017/18 Term Dates:

Inset Day - 4th September
6th Form Induction - 5th September 10am-12pm
Year 7, 10 & 12 Return to College -
6th September
All students in College - 7th September

Upcoming Events

**Exam Results: A' Level - 17th August
GCSE - 24th August**

Fashion Show - 6th July

This year's Fashion Show was a real celebration of the creative and performing arts here at TCC. The show featured textiles work from KS3, GCSE and A Level students, who modelled the garments very professionally! There were also musical items from our very own TCC Stage Band and soloists.

The second half of the show celebrated the film Moulin Rouge. This consisted of a mix of songs, drama and dancing both from our talented College troupe of 16 students and a fabulous guest appearance in the Argentine tango by Mr Pease and Susie Mackenzie. The show was rounded off by the traditional staff walk down with the male staff looking smart in their top hats and tails and the ladies in dresses from Jane Louise gowns of Liskeard.



We also had an exhibition in the entrance hall of some of our GCSE and Post 16 Art and Product Design work.

Thank you to all staff and students involved in helping and supporting this year's fashion show; you made it the success it was!

Returning to College - September

As with previous years there is a staged return for students at the start of the new Academic Year in September. Please note the following details:

Tue 5th Sep - Sixth Form Induction Day (Year 12)
10am-12pm

Wed 6th Sep - First day back for Years 7, 10 & 12

Thu 7th Sep - All students back to school.

All Year 7-11 students should bring their PE Kit on their first day back at school in case they have PE. Please ensure students arrive in their full College uniform including blazers, ties and school shoes. Look smart, think smart, be smart!

We look forward to seeing all students in September after the summer holidays. If you have any queries please email enquiries@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk

Gardens For Life

Year 8 have been working very hard in the Gardens for Life growing vegetables, with most being harvested this week. The Science Department are extremely thrilled with the amazing crop that has been produced this year. Well done year 8!



Headteacher Message

The end of another term and the end of an academic year and what a year it has been. So many events and activities from such a small secondary school!

The year ends on a high with superb events held with students and staff participation: the Fashion Show from the Creative Arts Faculty based on the Cirque du Rouge, a Rewards Evening, a Sports Day that was preceded by a week of closely matched sporting events and an action packed Activities Week.

I am sure you will join me in saying we have a great team of staff here at TCC who 'go that extra mile', who work tirelessly and who give their talents and energy to providing the most amazing range of high quality events alongside great teaching.

After over ten years in post as Headteacher the Governors, recognising the College's successes, kindly agreed to reward me with a sabbatical or period of extended leave of two terms in order to complete a research programme and I will return in the Spring Term 2018. During this time Dr Jeremy Plumb, the Deputy Headteacher at the College, will be the Acting Headteacher.

TCC is both very pleased and proud that the high standards it strives to achieve have been recognised by various external organisations. As you know, it was inspected by OfSTED in March '17 and judged as 'Good'. This is a continuation of the 'Good' grading the College received in 2012 for the quality of education it provides as well as the progress made by the young people at the school.

In the last few weeks of the Summer Term, TCC has also received external recognition of its compliance with the Department for Education's Schools Financial Value Standards (gaining the highest award possible), its provision for the emotional well-being and mental health of students via AcSeed accreditation, a Young Minds funded award and the quality of its education producing students who are outward facing citizens, a part of the

global community via the United Nations Rights Respecting Schools Level One Award.

We say good luck to Mrs Merren, Mrs Fierek and Mrs Donald who are going on maternity leave at the end of term and we say goodbye to a number of colleagues at the end of term: Mrs Fierek, Mr Kelly, Ms Morris, Mr Bray and Mrs Cowd. The last day of term will be marked also with a special event in honour of Mrs Goodman who leaves the College with almost 40 years' experience in schools. We wish them well in all their new ventures.

A letter outlining the arrangements for next term was sent out earlier this week.

Needless to say we hope your child has a great summer holiday and we look forward to seeing all our young people come back in September as well as welcoming those transferring to TCC.

Enjoy the summer break.

Mrs Hazeldine
Headteacher

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The Family Foraging Kitchen

Year 9 Food Preparation and Nutrition students have taken part in a food foraging trip with the Family Foraging Kitchen. The workshop took place on the school grounds itself, where the children safely explored basic wild edibles and participated in an outdoor cookery class, making 'Wild Study Snacks'. These included Banana & Wild Seed Slices and Sweet Potato, Dandelion & Dock Leaf Patties.

Information sheets were given to all the students on the day and the children were able to take these home to share with their parents and carers as well as providing a record of all the wild plants that they studied during the day and the recipes for the snacks that they created.

The session was designed to address where food comes from, health, nutrition, cookery skills and healthy eating. Furthermore, to raise awareness of nature deficit disorder and thus encourage children to have less screen time and spend more time outdoors learning about and respecting our natural environment.

Vix, Founder and Chief Executive of The Family Foraging Kitchen, also discussed in depth the nutrition of the plants students picked and the history surrounding them. Furthermore, she discussed exciting and tasty recipes that use these ingredients and the health benefits of each plant studied.

Of course, there was a serious aspect to the trip and Vix highlighted in detail the dangers of simply picking any flower or plant that line our hedgerow. She spent time pointing out flowers and plants that were bad for our health and stressed that students must only forage for food with a trained professional and only eat items when they are 100% sure of what it is.

A fantastic, informative day was had by all involved.

Mrs Donald



Activities Week 10-14th July 2017



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Year 11 Prom - 13th July 2017



Sports Day - 18th July 2017

Well done...Tregantle!



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