



**TORPOINT
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NEWSLETTER



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Academic Year 2017/18 Term Dates:

Christmas Holidays - 21 December-3 January
(return Thursday 4th January)

Half Term -12th-16th February

Inset Day - Monday 19th February
(return Tuesday 20th February)

Easter Holidays - 30th March-13th April
(return Monday 16th April)

Upcoming Events

Community Lunch (fully booked) -12th December

Year 11 Parents' Evening -12th December

Christmas Concert - 15th December
(Tickets on sale at Reception)

Christmas Jumper Day - 20th December
(£1 donation)

Ten Tors Training – Sunday 19th November

Well done to all students who completed the third Ten Tors training walk on Sunday 19th November.

The teams set off from Pork Hill Car Park and finished at Willsworthy Range Car Park. With adult support all 3 teams managed to finish ahead of time.

Study Café

The Study Café is proving to be a real hit with the Year 10 and 11 students who are coming along and using the time to work and revise.

It is in the Sixth Form Common Room every Wednesday from 3.30-5.30. Free tea, coffee and biscuits are provided!



TCC Languages Ambassadors visit to Antony School

This term the Language Ambassadors have been working hard at lunchtime to create resources to teach Spanish at Antony Primary School.

On Thursday 16th November the Language Ambassadors visited the primary school to teach Year 3 and 4. It was very successful and at the end of the lesson the Year 3s and 4s could count up to 10, say their name and how they are feeling. They asked a lot of questions and luckily the Language Ambassadors answered them all correctly! Next time the Year 3s and 4s have requested that they learn some animals in Spanish. Thank you to Antony Primary School for allowing us this opportunity!

Well done to the Language Ambassadors; you represented TCC fantastically! Buffy, Kate, Merryn, Olivia, Eliza, Louisa, Sam and Matt.



PE News

Year 12 CamTech Sport group have been learning about muscle fibres in anatomy and physiology lessons and have designed interval rowing challenges for their partners in order to overload their fast and slow twitch muscle fibres. This has also provided them with their first opportunity to test their personal training skills that will be needed in future units.





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**FRIDAY 15th
DECEMBER
7pm-9pm**

**£2
PER TICKET!
AVAILABLE
FROM
RECEPTION**

**TORPOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PRESENTS
CHRISTMAS
CONCERT**

LIVE MUSICAL PERFORMANCES, REFRESHMENTS & RAFFLE



**Don't forget
Year 11
Parents
Evening!**

Year 11 Parents Evening

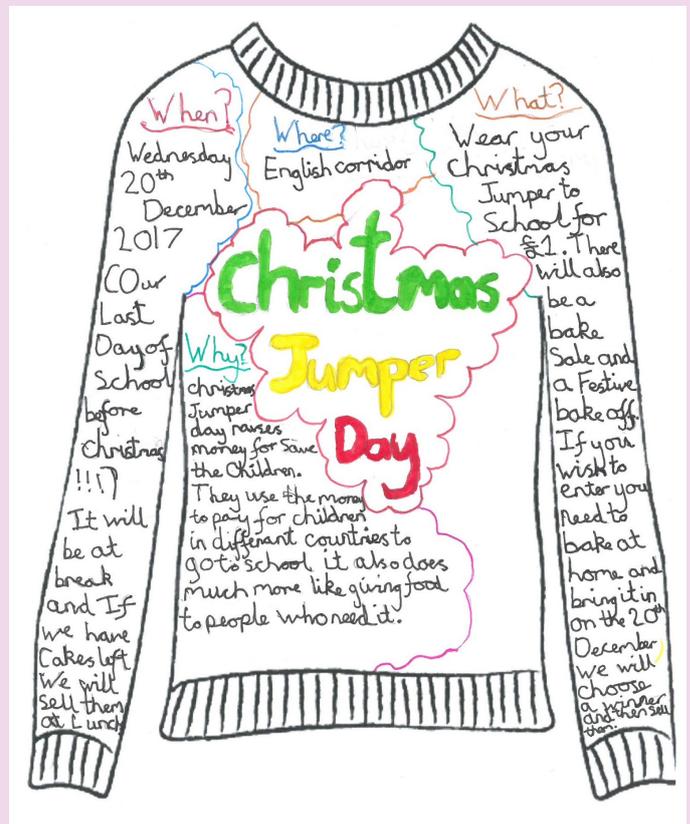
Date and Time: 4pm—6.30pm, Tuesday 12th December.
Venue: Torpoint Community College, Trevol Road, Torpoint

TOGETHER WE WILL SUCCEED!

STUDY CAFE

YEAR 10 & 11
SIXTH FORM COMMON ROOM
EVERY WEDNESDAY
3.30PM—5.30PM

- Free Tea and Coffee
- Computer Access
- Quiet Place to Work
- Space for Group Work
- Stamp for Your Intervention Passport.

When?
Wednesday
20th
December
2017

Where?
English corridor

What?
Wear your
Christmas
Jumper to
School for
£1. There
will also
be a
bake
Sale and
a Festive
bake off.
If you
wish to
enter you
need to
bake at
home and
bring it in
on the 20th
December
we will
choose
a winner
and then sell
them.

Why?
Christmas
Jumper
day raises
money for Save
the Children.
They use the money
to pay for children
in different countries to
go to school. It also does
much more like giving food
to people who need it.

**Christmas
Jumper
Day**

Our
Last
Day of
School
before
Christmas
!!!
It will
be at
break
and if
we have
Cakes left
we will
sell them
at lunch

A day in the life of a Cornwall Council employee

On Tuesday 21st November James Matthews and I went to New County Hall in Truro for Takeover day.

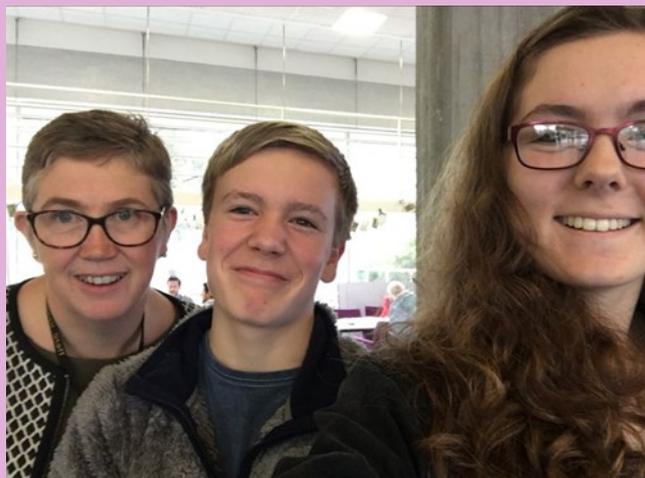
We started our day with a 1 and a half hour car journey to Truro, where we were then taken off to the Communication sector of the building to work with a lady named Beverley Hill. We then took over the Cornwall Council twitter account and uploaded photos throughout the day. We got retweets and mentions from Radio Cornwall, Pirate FM and Big Lottery.

Once we had done that, we went for lunch with the Headstart communications lead, Kate Pordage and some other people who helped organise the event. After lunch, Beverly gave us a guided tour of the entire building, even the bunker where all emergency control happens. As we walked through the building, we bumped into Tim Osborne, Head of school effectiveness, Kate Kennally, the CEO of Cornwall Council, and many more people who we spoke to. On passing, we went into the Council Chambers whilst it was in session and heard them debate whether or not to borrow £6 million from the government!

To finish the day, James, Beverly and I went to the Long gallery inside the building and answered some of Beverly's questions about information collection and who young people are influenced by. We concluded by answering the question "If young people could change one thing the council did, what would it be?" – to which we gave some hopefully useful answers – such as more money for small schools - that Beverly and her team can use in the future.

Overall, James and I had a very interesting day at New County Hall that has definitely given us some options for the future. I look forward to the next takeover day at Cornwall Council in the New Year.

Amy Pearton



Kate Kennally, James and Amy



Richard Head, James and Amy



James and Amy answering
Beverly's questions.

Hate Crime Awareness

Local policeman, PC Turner Moore, recently arranged a Hate Crime workshop for students in Year 8. The workshop explained what hate crime is, its effect on people's lives, what constitutes a Hate Crime offence and how to report it.

The students heard from guest speakers who had been victims of Hate Crime. The workshop also explored the stories of refugees. This helped to develop an understanding of the experience they may have had that has led them to become a refugee.

Year 8 students commented that they felt the workshop was really useful as these sorts of crimes have such awful effects on people and are increasing and there are so many refugees in the world at the moment.

Following the workshop students will have the opportunity to enter a Holocaust Memorial Day competition to be judged in January at Truro Cathedral and will complete their entries in their Ethics lessons. Last year, our Year 8's won a prize in this competition, so come on Year 8 and good luck for some more winning entries this year!

Christmas Jumper Day

On Wednesday 20th December TCC will be holding its annual Christmas Jumper Day. For a donation of £1, to Save the Children, students will be allowed to wear a Christmas jumper.

The jumper must be Christmas themed (not just a favourite jumper!) and must be worn with school trousers/skirt and shoes. There will also be 'The Great Festive Bake Off' where students (and staff) are encouraged to bring their festive bakes to the library on the morning of the 20th for judging, before being sold at break and lunchtime to raise more funds for Save the Children.

Don't forget some money to buy a cake!

A Level Class of 2017!

Celebration on Wednesday 20th December at 2.20pm in the Sixth Form Common Room.

We are very proud that our A Level students have done so well and all our students played a very important role in this success.

To celebrate we would like to invite you to return one last time to celebrate and share your success and also deliver your A Level certificates. This is a great opportunity to catch up with old friends. It has become a tradition for us to meet up on the last day of term for several years now and any ex sixth formers are very welcome to join us as well.

Please could you indicate that you are coming by contacting the College either by phone or email so that we can arrange catering. On the afternoon, please come directly to the Sixth Form where you will need to sign in. We are really looking forward to seeing you all again and finding out what you have been up to!

Ten Tors training – Sunday 3rd December

Festive hats, mince pies and chocolates were all visible on the Ten Tors Christmas training walk, but where they were going was not always easy to see. The walkers left Holming Beam in damp, misty conditions however the visibility had improved by the time they finished at Postbridge.

A big thank you once again to the all the adult volunteers who support the students whilst on the moors. The next walk is on Sunday 7th January 2018, with a meeting for students being held on Thursday 4th January at lunchtime in Room 14.

A reminder for those purchasing a sleeping bag - it needs to be 'comfort 0'.

