



**TORPOINT
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COLLEGE**

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NEWSLETTER



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Academic Year 2018/19 Term Dates:

Last day of term - Tuesday 23rd July
Staff INSET—4th September
6th Form Induction - 5th September
Years 7, 10 & 12 Return - 6th September
All Year groups return - 9th September

Upcoming Events

Year 7, 10 & 12 Photos - 10th September

Sixth Form Summer Ball

On Friday 5th July a 'Summer Ball' leavers party was held at the Old Rowing Club in Torpoint for our Year 13's. Students enjoyed a BBQ on the terrace and dancing.



This was an occasion for fond farewells before they go off to university, work or travel abroad. They have been a fantastic bunch and we would like to wish them well in this exciting next chapter of their lives.

Wimbledon Trip

A group of 9 students had an early start to make the trip to Wimbledon to see play on Day 8 on Court 2. The sun shone and we had a good journey to get to the court for the start of play.

First match was the women's number 1 seed Ashleigh Barty against Alison Riske followed by Karolina Muchova against Karolina Pliskova. Both were a great display of competitive tennis with both matches going to 3 sets. We had great seats only 5 rows from courtside, just behind the umpire. The day finished off with Kei Nishikori against Mikhail Kukushkin.



The students were an absolute pleasure to have on the trip and a big thank you to Mr Maestri and Mrs Johnson for sharing the driving. Fingers crossed we're successful in the School's Ballot for tickets again next year!

Awards Evening 2018-19

On Tuesday 2nd July the College had great pleasure in holding its annual Awards Evening. This was a lovely opportunity to recognise the incredible achievements of so many of our students over the course of the year.

This was the biggest Awards Evening to date with 22 different awards presented to 77 students. The hall was packed with families and friends to see the students receive their trophies from Mr Doogan, who kindly returned to the College for the evening.

The Awards recognise a range of achievements including progress, effort, improvement and resilience (both academically and outside the classroom). This year also saw the introduction of The Phil Shingler Award for Creativity following the sad and untimely loss of Mr Shingler who was a College governor.



The presentation of the award to Year 13 student, Finley-Mae Stainfield by Phil's widow, Sally Bates, was a fitting conclusion to a memorable evening.

A full list of awards and winners can be found on the College website.

Badminton

TCC students have been enjoying extra Badminton sessions in the Sports Hall on Mondays after College thanks to volunteers Chris Still and Mike Weeks.

Chris and Mike are looking forward to welcoming more students in September when the sessions will continue on a Tuesday after College. They also hope that as the students progress they will want to join Torpoint Badminton Club on a Wednesday evening at the Sports Hall.

Any student who wishes to continue playing or join them to play on a Tuesday needs to collect a new letter and consent form from Mrs Hodgetts in the Library. This needs to be completed and returned to her before attending the club.

The first session will be on Tuesday 17th September.



The Medical Room at TCC

Please can all students be aware that they must not carry medication with them in College. If they complete a Medications Form, available from reception, we will hold medication for them and dispense as appropriate. **(New Year 7 Parents** – please can you make us aware of any medical needs your child might have.)

Finally if you are not well and need to be sent home, this can only be arranged via the Medical Room. Please do not phone home without having gone to the Medical Room first.

Fashion Show 2019

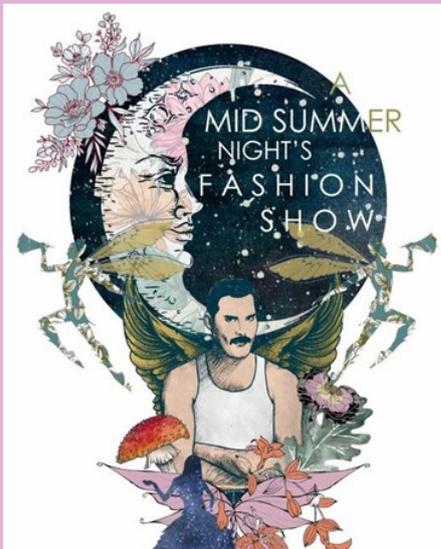
On Thursday 4th July, Torpoint Community College hosted 'A Midsummer Night's Fashion Show'.

Students had the chance to take to the catwalk modelling their amazing textiles work which they have made over this Academic Year. There was also an exhibition in the College foyer showcasing the excellent art work made by Key Stage 4 and 5 Art and Design Technology students.

The show also comprised of two stunning dances, one a tribute to the band Queen where our student dance troupe wore Freddie style jackets, the other dance was an elegantly performed fairy ballet which was part of our 'Midsummer Night's dream finale'.

Staff members strutted their stuff on the catwalk in beautiful dresses borrowed from Jane Louise of Liskeard. We also had former students returning to perform a rocking medley of Queen songs!

Thank you to everyone involved in making the show an amazing night.



Year 11 Prom 2019!



Activities Week 15th-19th July 2019



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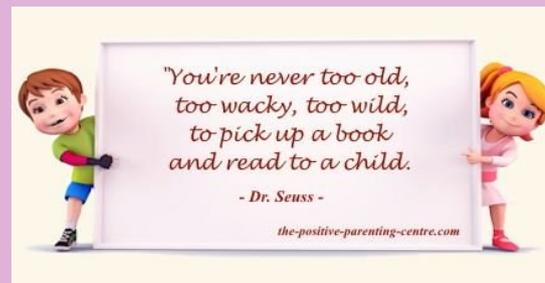
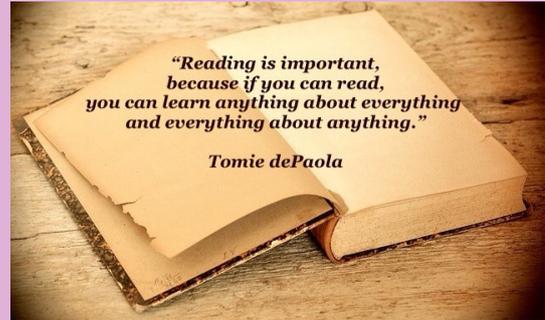
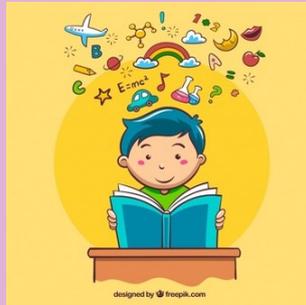
Phoebe Callow
Joshua Robertson
Erin Shiel
Isaac Littleford
Quinn O'Neill
Ross Watkins



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Madeline Nevatt
Newlyn Hall
Molly West
Holly Thomson
Ben Grieve
Katherine Bews
Jack Medlin
Stanley Potter
Maggie Sanders
Maizie Drabble
Harry Feeley
Herb Bishop
Megan Humphreys
Elena Davis
Ellie-May Hutchings
Sian Humphreys
Paige Whittaker



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Lottie Blackett
Molly West
Kaytie Oxley
Lewis Perry
Mia Wilcock
Lily May Cox
Lucie McCann
Alfie Hand
Dwainlee Bamford

Most Books Read

Megan Humphreys
Chloe Radley
QiQi Ye
Erlanda Piorate

Getting support during school holidays:

Did you know that our 'worries' email is checked regularly by the Safeguarding Team during holiday periods? This is a confidential email that you can use to contact us at any time during the holiday period as well as during term time. Our website also signposts some useful specialist support agencies if you need any support during times when the College is closed.

You can get in touch via:

worries@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk

or you can find the details of support agencies in the pastoral section of our website.

The TCC Safeguarding Team would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a relaxing and peaceful Summer holiday .

Headteacher's Message

This has been another very busy year, evidenced by the overflowing College newsletters that have been published over the last 12 months, reminding us all of the vast and diverse number of activities, events and achievements of our students, staff and community that have taken place here at Torpoint Community College.

Last week our Year 10 had the opportunity to take part in work experience, providing a vital part of their careers and employability training. The feedback from employers was impressive and many of the students have been offered part time employment and future employment—well done to you all.

The Fashion Show was another brilliant event to showcase the excellent work of the students. Outfits were again stunning as students showed off their work in temperatures that rose to around 30 degrees Celsius on the evening.

The Awards Evening also took place recently where the outstanding hard work and achievements of many of our students was recognised. This is one of the highlights of the year to see the large number of students that have risen to the challenge of achieving above and beyond others.

We also hosted our Year 6 Transition Day and Evening and look forward to welcoming just under 150 new Year 7 students in September.

Our Year 11 and 13 students celebrated the end of their examinations with proms at the Orangery at Mount Edgcumbe and the Torpoint Rowing Club respectively. These events are always fantastic with our students looking very smart. We look forward to celebrating with our Year 11 and 13 students again in August when they collect their examination results – but for now enjoy the summer holidays!

Sports Day was an excellent community event and our continued sunny weather helped to ensure this event was enjoyed by all students and staff. This year Sports Day was won by Polhawn House. Well done to

all participants and thank you to the PE staff for the smooth running of this event.

Activities Week was a huge success again this year with a diverse number of activities and events both on the College site, off site locally and abroad, including trips to Spain and the Isles of Scilly. The photographs in this newsletter provide only a taste of the number of activities that took place. The feedback we have received from a range of activity providers has been outstanding with regard to the excellent behaviour of students, their politeness and ability to give everything a go! I had the pleasure of sailing with a small group of Year 7 and 8 students who were able to achieve a Level 1 certificate in recognition of their aquatic skills.

I would like to draw your attention to a letter that has been distributed to students and can also be seen on the College's Facebook page and website. It provides further information with regard to "Getting prepared for the new Academic Year 2019-2020".

As the term comes to an end we say farewell to one member of staff. Ms Jen Childs leaves the College after 11 years of service. Jen started at the College as a newly qualified teacher and now leaves to take up additional responsibility at Saltash.net. We thank Jen for all that she has contributed to the College and for her support and wish her every success and happiness in her new role!

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the families of all our students for their support throughout this Academic Year—it really is appreciated.

I wish you a restful, enjoyable and safe summer break.

With my very kind regards.

Dr Jeremy Plumb
Headteacher