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NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING  
EVENTS

VIRTUAL SPORTS WEEK

13<sup>TH</sup>- 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2020

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2019/2020**

**LAST DAY OF TERM: 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY**

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

### Newsletter

The education sector has received plenty of coverage over the last few weeks as there has been increasing pressure for schools to fully reopen. Towards the end of last week, the Prime Minister stated that schools will reopen to all children after the summer holidays.

We are expecting further details on the government's thinking and the scenarios they are planning for in the next week or two. The government has also announced a £1 billion Covid-19 'catch-up' package to directly tackle the impact of lost teaching time. Again, we await further details on this in respect of how much the College will receive and how it can be spent. We are working hard to formulate plans for the start of the new Academic Year and please be assured that you will be kept up to date as these plans further develop.

I am very pleased with how the College's partial reopening for Year 10 and 12 students has gone since 15<sup>th</sup> June. It has been lovely to see both staff and students return to the College and I have been particularly impressed at both the students' attendance and the way in which they have conducted themselves. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide a similar provision for the other year groups at this time, but students continue to positively engage with the remote learning package that is in place. I hope the recent telephone conversation or email both parents and your child have received from the College has been welcomed. If you haven't received a call or email you should do so shortly so we can check that all is well.

Thank you for your continued support throughout this very difficult period. There are challenging times ahead, and formulating future plans are particularly complex with the limited information we are having to work to. However, we will do our very best to ensure the appropriate balance of teaching and learning and the safety and well-being of our College community is achieved. Please stay safe as the lockdown restrictions ease further over the coming weeks and please look out for further updates and information that will be cascaded out on the College website in the coming weeks ahead.

With my very kind regards,

Jeremy Plumb



## YEAR 6 TRANSITION

Hello everyone!

I hope you are all well.

Year 6 Transition has looked a little different this year but we wanted to make sure that our new students were provided with the same opportunities as every other year group before them. We have been working hard to create videos, worksheets and documents to help Year 6 with their transition to us at TCC. All of this fantastic work can be found on our Transition webpage (below), alternatively, you will find our information under the 'Information' tab on the main website.

<http://www.torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk/ks2-transition/>

One of the best things about transition is getting to know all of our fantastic new students and this year we have learnt lots about Year 6 through their 'All About Me' forms. We also wanted Year 6 to be able to learn about us as a College so we have made some videos for students, parents and carers to watch, including a Virtual Open Evening and a Virtual Tour of the College, these can be found on the link above.

We look forward to meeting all of our Year 6's in the new academic year and if we can help with anything Transition related before, please remember you can email us on [transition@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:transition@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk)

Have a lovely summer!

Miss Lindup



**All About Me**

Name- Miss Lindup

Job at TCC- KS2 Transition Lead, Head of House Tregonhawke

Subject I teach- Geography

Hobbies

- Netball
- Paddleboarding
- Walking/Hiking

Favourite food

Pizza!

Favourite place to visit

The Lake District

Favourite colour

Turquoise blue

Tea or coffee?

Coffee!

### TCC With Love

Don't forget to check out the latest 'TCC With Love' video which you can find via our website or on our Facebook page!





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## SWI Parent School Uniform Information

### How to purchase your uniform



### 3 things we need you to do

- 1. Order early at [swischoolwear.co.uk](http://swischoolwear.co.uk)**  
To help our total capacity for back to school and ensure you're well prepared in advance.
- 2. Don't purchase multiple sizes of the same garment**  
This is to help with our stock levels and to ensure we have enough sizes for all parents.
- 3. Sign up to our updates**  
Get all our latest information, deals and offers. [swischoolwear.co.uk/welcome](http://swischoolwear.co.uk/welcome)

### Website Ordering - [swischoolwear.co.uk](http://swischoolwear.co.uk)

We know that shopping for school uniform, sportswear and accessories can be difficult and often stressful. Now that the all-important time has come to get organised for the new school year, we want to make sure that you're prepared.

Here are our top tips to make this year's uniform shop that little bit easier!



### How we are staying Covid-19 secure

We know this time of uncertainty is having a huge impact on all our lives, and we want to let you know what we are doing to help you shop safely for your school uniform.

We have followed government guidance to ensure we are COVID-19 secure allowing you to shop online safely.

- 1.** All of our operations have had a professional Covid-19 secure risk assessment completed
- 2.** All returning garments are quarantined and steamed 72 hours before processing back into stock
- 3.** We are carrying out hourly cleaning of high touch areas
- 4.** We are undertaking daily deep cleaning throughout our business.

Dear Parents/carers

Our uniform supplier wanted to reassure all of our parents/carers and share some updates on the safety measures in place for the safe production and delivery of our uniform.

Please note they have advised they are confident that all orders placed before the cut off of the 3<sup>rd</sup> August will be delivered in plenty of time before the start of term. However, it is possible that a very small number of orders placed during June and July may take longer than their normal 3-5 working days.

We look forward to seeing our students return in full uniform in September for more face to face teaching. We will keep updating you if changes are required in line with the most up to date government announcement.

Please email [enquiries@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk) should you have any questions.



### What's so important about the number 749?

To us it is the most important number in the world because it represents every single member of our Torpoint Community College family: 644 students + 105 staff who should all be in school together. Even though we have to keep our distance for the time being, we can still work together to raise some money for some wonderful organisations that are working hard to keep us all safe and well.

We are delighted to announce the total amount raised from our 749 fundraiser is an amazing **£931.55**.

Well done to all those who took part and a huge thank you to those who donated money. Proceeds will be going to local charity CHAT (Community Health Around Torpoint) and to the NHS.





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# SPORTS NEWS

## Cornwall Virtual School Games

Well done to all those students that took part in the Cornwall Virtual School Games last week. There were a range of events that all students could take part in and it was pleasing to hear from students about the events that they had completed via Show My Homework. At the time of writing this article, the organisers of the Games have not confirmed how many students took part or where they came in respect to the rest of the other schools. We will update this in the next newsletter.

**CORNWALL  
VIRTUAL  
SCHOOL  
GAMES 2020**

## TCC Virtual Sports Week

Monday 13th July sees the start of the first ever TCC Virtual Sports Week. All members of Torpoint Community College are able to take part and will earn points just for giving each event a go!

Each day, there will be three events published on both Show My Homework and the college Facebook page that features TCC staff past and present challenging our current students to a variety of physical challenges that they can complete at home. Students then click on each challenge to find out what they have to do. To enter each event students, parents, carers and staff just need to record their attempt stating their name and which house they are representing and then send the video to [SportsWeek@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:SportsWeek@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk). Each house will gain 5 points for each participant. The top 3 students for each gender for each year will receive 50 points for 1st, 30 points for 2nd and 15 points for 3rd place finishes.

Good luck to everyone and stay tuned to Show My Homework and Facebook for updates throughout the week!

## Girls Football @TCC

This year has seen the set up and development of football for girls at TCC. The dedication and enthusiasm of the girls that have taken part has been great.

It started with a Football Festival run by Plymouth Argyle. Every girl in years 7-10 took part in football skills, drills and small sided games. From this the Plymouth Argyle coaches identified students who showed promise and these girls were handed a letter to attend development sessions over in Plymouth, which many of them have done.

At school the football festival generated enough interest to set up a lunchtime club, which developed into an after a school club so that we could have more time to practice and play the skills that the girls were keen to improve.

Early on in the year we took two U13 teams up to The Hub at Manadon where the girls took part in a very wet and cold tournament. The grit and determination these girls showed was admirable.

We then regularly took an U13 and an U15 team to Callington where there was a development tournament. Due to the great numbers we had to training, the girls had to play in rotation, taking turns and making it fair. I was really impressed with the maturity that was shown when making these decisions.

The girls were such a joy to watch. Each match that they played their skills, communication and setting up goal scoring opportunities really improved. They would spend time in between games discussing how to improve their game play and who would be best in each position against different opponents.

It is such a shame that we could not attend the next tournament for both teams at The Hub due to the Covid-19 situation. However, moving forward I am excited for the future of football for girls at TCC and cannot wait to get back on the pitch and fingers crossed entering the county cup for the opportunity to play more matches!

Well done girls, you were an absolute pleasure to work with and I look forward to seeing you all again soon! Mrs Batty



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# SPORTS NEWS continued...

## Boys School Football - Season 19/20

Before the Coronavirus pandemic curtailed the season, the boys at Torpoint were having a fantastic season. All year groups attended lunchtime training sessions regularly through all weathers and were richly rewarded with some brilliant results.

Year 7 - New to secondary school football and a jump up to bigger pitches, the year 7 students started the season with a national cup game against local rivals, Looe Academy. Despite playing well with some encouraging individual performances they sadly went on to lose 4-2. Despite this setback the boys still attended training sessions in good numbers with the focus of a good county cup run. Facing Callington in the 1st round was not an easy challenge, made more difficult by Callington scoring 2 early goals. However, the boys did not give up and played their hearts out to score 2 goals in reply to send the game to extra time and penalties. Here the boys kept their nerve to win 5-4 to progress to a rematch at home to Looe, the team that beat us just 2 months earlier! This was a different TCC Year 7 team though. An inspired performance of hard work, teamwork and no shortage of skill saw the boys triumphant this time 4-1. The boys were awaiting results from other fixtures to see who they would face in the quarter finals and we will see what happens to this competition when we return in September. A great squad of players who work hard for each other and I look forward to seeing how the boys develop further in the new academic year.

Year 8 - After a year 7 where there was little engagement, Year 8 boys came back with a new enthusiasm and endeavour to be successful in school football. The national cup journey started with a 4-2 victory at Looe Academy. This seemed to give the boys the confidence that they can beat anyone. This proved to be the case with the long trip to Clanfield Acadmy in Exeter. Despite facing the challenge of playing on a 3G surface, the boys were fantastic in beating the home team 6-1. This lead to a rare home match at home to Holsworthy Academy. After starting nervously, TCC found themselves training 3-1 at half time. However, the boys fought back well to take the game into extra time with the score 4-4. Two goals were shared in extra time sending the match to penalties. TCC held their nerve winning the shootout 4-3. This meant we then had the long trip to Millfield Prep School. A leading independent school that has produced a huge amount of on national and international sportspeople. Despite their best efforts, the boys were beaten 9-1 but gave it everything they had. Sadly, their county cup run was not as successful. Despite being the better team for large parts of the game, they lost at the first attempt away at Launceston. A fantastic season and achievement in getting to the last 8 of a national competition and I hope we can go even further next season.

Year 10 - Mirroring other year groups, our year 10 team were also drawn against Looe Academy in the 1st round of the national cup. Against a Looe team that has won the previous two county competitions, the boys found it tough eventually going on to lose 8-2. Despite this setback, the boys persisted in the efforts in training knowing a county cup run was possible with the quality we have in the squad. The 1st game of the county competition saw a 2nd round match away at Brannel on their new 3G pitch. This did not put the boys of their stride and the boys put in a great effort to win 8-1. This led to a rematch against the current county champions, Looe Academy. Despite their record and the score in the previous fixture the boys put in a performance of heart, hard work, skill and teamwork which resulted in beating the two-time county champions 3-2. At the time of lockdown, the year 10's were waiting to see who they would play in the next round.

As you can see, the boys have done brilliantly this year. Responded with exactly the right attitude to any setbacks and have learned the value of hard work and teamwork. I must also say how well led each team has been captained this year by each captain and vice-captain whether this be on the pitch as role models for their peers or off the pitch with encouraging the boys to keep attending training and getting them consent forms for each match. I look forward to seeing how all the boys move forward next year.

## Argyle Community Trust - Summer Volunteering Opportunity

There will be an opportunity to make up for the absence of a work experience this summer by providing volunteering hours of their time to work with Argyle Community Trust and assist the local community with projects post-lockdown. At the minute, there are few details about how the scheme will work, and how students can get involved but when more information is forthcoming, this will be published on Show My Homework and the College Facebook page.

## SPOTLIGHT ON 'ART HOME LEARNING'.

In this issue we are celebrating the wonderful work that art students have created whilst learning from home. Well done to all art students who are continuing being creative whilst home learning.

