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NEWSLETTER

27th June 2025

ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/25

Summer Term
23rd April – 18th July

UPCOMING EVENTS

27th June – Year 12 & 13 Party
4th July – Year 11 Prom
10th July- TCC Fashion Show
15th July – Awards Evening
18th July – Last day of term

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of the academic year, it's a pleasure to reflect on the energy, effort, and commitment our students and staff continue to demonstrate across so many areas of school life, and for Year 11 and 13 the examinations are now finally over!

Our athletics teams recently competed in the East County Super 8s Championships, showcasing not only their sporting talent but also their determination and teamwork. Their conduct and support for one another were superb, and we are proud of the way they represented the College. A sincere thank you to the staff who trained, supported, and officiated, your dedication makes opportunities like this possible.

We also saw continued excellence from our Year 10 students who took part in the Carnegie event, delivering a winning presentation with confidence and professionalism. The students were a credit to themselves and to the College, and their success is a reflection of the hard work and encouragement of the staff who supported them in the lead-up.

Another highlight was the Duchy College careers experience for Year 10. It was brilliant to hear of students getting hands-on with agricultural engineering, livestock, and soil sampling, many stepping well outside of their comfort zones. Their enthusiasm and



Timings of the day.

Tutor	08:45 - 09:10 (25 mins)
Lesson 1	09:10 - 10:10 (60 mins)
Lesson 2	10:10 - 11:10 (60 mins)
Break	11:10 - 11:35 (25 mins)
Lesson 3	11:35 - 12:35 (60 mins)
Lesson 4	12:35 - 13:35 (60 mins)
Lunch	13:35 - 14:10 (35mins)
Lesson 5	14:10 - 15:10 (60 mins)

REPORTING YOUR ABSENCE REMINDER

When a student doesn't arrive at College, and we haven't received any notification from the parent/carer, this is a safeguarding concern. In order to support the College, and to allow us to quickly identify any potential safeguarding concern, we ask that you contact us before **9am** on the day of absence. If your child is likely to be absent for more than one day, please inform us of their expected return date.

How can I report absence?

Email: absence@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk

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willingness to try something new was commendable.

The recent residential trip to Brixham was another great success. Students were challenged by a wide range of activities, and it was fantastic to see such strong teamwork, resilience, and mutual support throughout the weekend. With no mobile phones allowed, it was refreshing to see students playing, talking, and truly enjoying one another's company. All returned home exhausted but with a sense of achievement and plenty of memories. A huge thank you to the staff who gave up their weekend to make this experience possible.

Meanwhile, a group of students enjoyed a Maths-themed theatre trip, and our Year 13 artists showcased their work in the gallery exhibition, providing an opportunity to celebrate their creative achievements and hard work.

It has also been a pleasure to welcome families as part of our Year 6 transition process. We look forward to helping our new cohort feel part of the TCC community as they prepare for the exciting journey ahead.

Thank you to all our staff, students, and families for the continued commitment and support. I hope the final few weeks of term continue to be rewarding for everyone.

Thank you for your support.

Dr Jeremy Plumb
Headteacher



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✨ Learning Together ✨

Fortnightly Tip #3: Sleep, Screens & Spacing (the memory-friendly trio)

🏠 What is it?

Memory doesn't just happen *while* your child studies — it also happens *after*, especially during sleep. But too much screen time or last-minute cramming can get in the way.

🏠 How to Do It at Home:

Encourage good sleep habits. Teenagers need 8–10 hours a night — and memory is strengthened during deep sleep.

Limit screens before bed. Blue light delays sleep, and switching off an hour before bed helps the brain wind down.

Spread out learning. Instead of cramming before a test, help your child review topics regularly in short bursts over several days.

✅ Why It Works:

When we sleep, our brain *replays* and strengthens what we've learned — like hitting "save" on a computer.

Spacing out revision (called *spaced practice*) helps information move into long-term memory.

Too much screen time or late-night stress blocks this process.

✂️ Try This:

- Help your child set a "last screen" time before bed.
- Build in 10-minute review slots across the week, not just the night before a test.
- Use weekends for light revision of earlier topics — even 5 minutes makes a difference.

💬 "Cramming may feel productive — but it's sleep and spaced review that make learning stick."





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Farewell Year 11 – Celebrating the End of an Era

As another academic year draws to a close, we bid a fond farewell to our incredible Year 11 students, who have now completed their GCSE examinations. I (Miss Shiel) have had the pleasure of being their Head of Year for three years, and it has been a joy to see them grow and mature into fantastic young adults. After months of hard work, dedication, and resilience, they have crossed one of the most significant milestones in their academic journey by completing their GCSEs, and we couldn't be prouder.

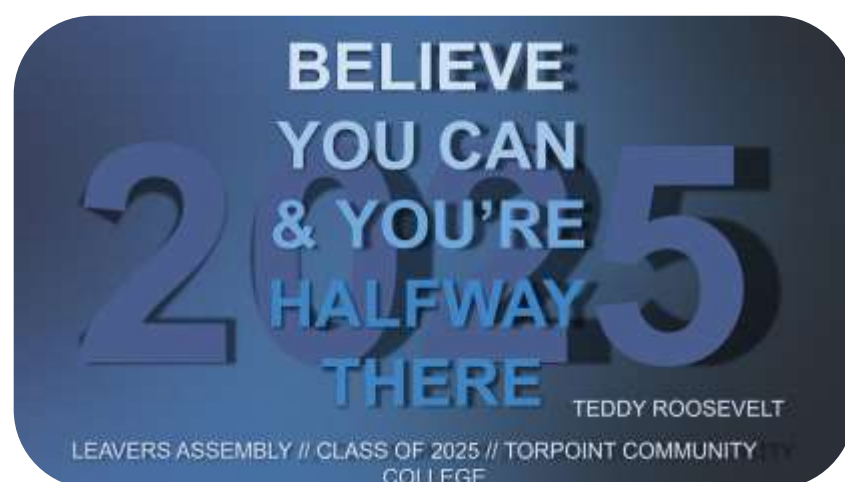
To mark this momentous occasion, the College held a heartfelt and fun Leavers' Assembly, bringing together staff and students to celebrate the achievements, growth, and memories made during their time with us. It was an emotional afternoon filled with laughter, reflection, and, of course, a few tears, as we looked back on their journey from eager Year 7s with big dreams and even bigger backpacks to the confident young people they are today.

During the assembly, we took the time to acknowledge the individual and collective successes of the year group. From academic excellence and personal progress to contributions to school life, numerous students were honoured with well-deserved certificates and prizes. Whether it was for best conduct, top kudos, class comedian, super smile, "you know they know," or any other award, each one celebrated the unique qualities, strengths, and character of our Year 11 cohort, and how they made a valuable contribution to our college community.

Speeches from Dr Plumb, their previous Heads of Year (Miss Lindup and Mr Lowe), and several of their tutors reminded us of the determination and spirit this group has shown since starting their TCC journey, particularly in the face of challenges. We shared words of encouragement, revisited funny memories, and offered advice as they look ahead to the next exciting chapter, whether that be Sixth Form, College, or apprenticeships.

To our Year 11 students: thank you for the energy, creativity, competitiveness, humour, determination, and enthusiasm you've brought to our school. We are incredibly proud of everything you've accomplished, and we can't wait to see what you go on to achieve in the future. We look forward to seeing you all at the Prom and on results day.

Go n-éirí an bóthar libh — *May the road rise to meet you.* Congratulations and good luck, you'll always be a part of our school community!





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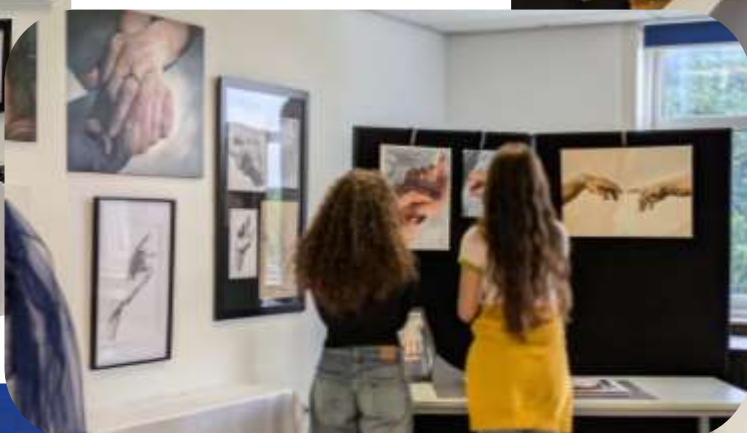
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A Level Art Student Final Exhibition Private View

On a perfect, but hot, summer's evening on Tuesday 24th June, we had the pleasure of celebrating our A Level Art students' work at the Private View of their final exhibition. Many staff, parents, family members, and friends attended the event, and all the guests were highly complimentary about the quality of the work on display.

The exhibition showcased beautiful self-portraiture, still life, landscape, and festival themes chosen by the students, alongside exam board-set themes such as *Hands*, *Architecture*, and *Tropical*. The work ranged from pencil drawings to acrylic and oil paintings, various printmaking techniques, ceramics, and fashion and textiles pieces.

The Art Team are incredibly proud of the stunning work this cohort has created and would like to thank everyone who attended the event. We wish our students all the very best in their future endeavours, including those pursuing higher education courses in Art and Design, such as Fine Art, Graphics, and Costume Design.





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Year 7 Careers Event – Employer Encounter: I love My Job! Friday 20th June



Students in Year 7 worked with a range of representatives from the NHS, Babcock International, Access Creative College, and artist Elaine Foster-Gandey to find out more about why they love their jobs during this exciting careers event.

The Year 7 students were brilliant, asking insightful questions and enthusiastically participating in activities, including "weaving their hopes and dreams" and designing the strongest bridge, while taking on roles such as project managers and fitters.

Students prepared for the event with their tutors and will be recording their reflections in their career booklets. Well done, Year 7!

A big thank you to the professionals who gave up their time to support this event:

Miles Hoeben (alumnus) & Similda Turay, Babcock International Group

Cara Hearn, Access Creative College

Elaine Foster-Gandey BA MA, Fine Art

Leah Brooks, University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust

If you would like to be involved in a future careers event, please contact Mrs Bray, Careers Leader at the College.

Mrs Bray
Careers Leader



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Year 10 Work Experience – 9th to 13th June 2025

Year 10 students have successfully completed their work experience placements, marking a key milestone in their early careers education. Work experience provides invaluable hands-on opportunities to develop core employability skills such as communication, teamwork, time management, and professionalism, all of which help build students' confidence and prepare them for future academic and career decisions. These placements also give students a chance to explore different industries, clarify career goals, and ease their transition into further study, training, or employment.

During the week, students worked with a wide variety of employers and organisations, including the Eden Project, Carbeile Junior School, Helen Round Textiles, Vospers at Marsh Mills, Yoke Hair Salon at Royal William Yard, University of Plymouth, Princess Yachts, Plessey Semiconductors, the National Trust, National Marine Aquarium, Falmouth University, Age UK Plymouth, and many more.

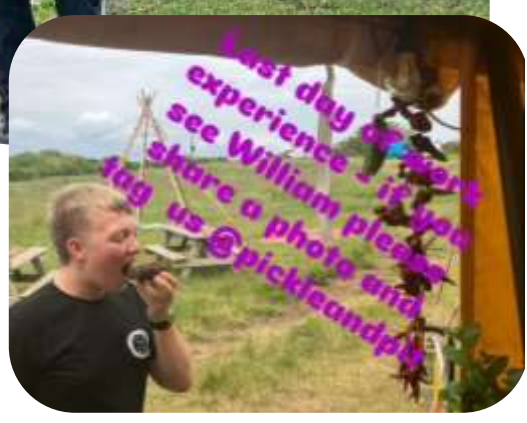
Our students made a strong impression across the board. Will contributed to social media content while working at Pickle and Pit. Ollie wowed The Cornish Pod with his pasty-folding skills and even received a job offer, although the 6 a.m. starts took their toll, as shown in the photo! George earned high praise from Timber Vaults and created a promotional video they plan to use online. Sol and Holly impressed staff at Torpoint Library, receiving glowing feedback, and even a sweet-filled thank-you tea party.

Chris was described as exceptional during his placement at Age UK, being praised for his confidence and professionalism. Kayla was complimented for her positive attitude during her time at Kingfisher's Pre-school. Florence received a commendation from Falmouth University after completing a varied and challenging placement in their Fashion and Textiles Institute, including cataloguing antique lace, conducting independent research, and assisting university interns on conservation projects. Elyse excelled with Secure Forests, participating in ranger training and conducting wildlife research that will be developed into a formal report. Archie enjoyed an exciting week at Princess Yachts, including time aboard a 74ft yacht and hands-on experience in both the construction and CAD departments.

For those unable to secure an in-person placement, Springpod provided an excellent virtual alternative, ensuring all students gained meaningful experience.

A huge thank you goes to the local businesses and organisations for hosting and supporting our students; to Annie Peach (Work Experience Coordinator), Jo Jones, Donna Douglas, and all the staff who visited students on their placements; and most importantly, to our brilliant Year 10 students for making the week such a positive and rewarding experience.

Mrs Bray
Careers Leader





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Year 10 Duchy College Experience Day

Fifty Year 10 students visited the Duchy College campus near Stoke Climsland on Monday 23rd June.

Students had the opportunity to take part in two sessions of their choice to explore the wide range of courses and qualifications available at the College. The students were excellent throughout the day and showed great enthusiasm in trying new activities.

Some of the highlights of the trip included:

Callum's massive grin when he got to ride in the Land Rover back from the farm to the college site because the tractor and trailer were full.

Sol's excitement when talking about his construction vehicle experience, his face lit up, and we think he was smiling all the way back to TCC!

Angelica asking insightful questions during the Agricultural Engineering session.

Will helping to jack up the front axle of a tractor, placing the axle stand under the vehicle, and assisting with a tyre change, he really got stuck in when they asked for a volunteer.

Rosalie, Holly, and Isabella bravely petting a cow, despite being very nervous at first, in a field surrounded by Friesians! We've decided we'd quite like to be like Carbeile and have some livestock at TCC! They also helped collect and test soil samples at the end of the day, showing real interest and enthusiasm.

Can you spot Mr Entwistle driving the excavator in the photo?

Thank you to all the students and staff for making it such a great day.

Students in Year 11 can apply for courses at Duchy College during the academic year. Applications can be made directly via the Duchy College website.





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A Trip to Shakespeare's Globe – *Romeo and Juliet* with a Wild West Twist

On Friday 13th June, a group of enthusiastic Year 7, 8, and 9 students made the long journey to London to experience something truly special, a live performance of *Romeo and Juliet* at Shakespeare's Globe Theatre.

This production brought Shakespeare's classic tragedy to life with a bold Wild West twist. Students experienced the emotional highs and lows of the story, from laughter to heartbreak, in the unique setting of the open-air theatre.

The performance was thoroughly enjoyed by all, and it was a fantastic opportunity for students to connect with literature in an unforgettable way.

A huge thank you to all the students for their brilliant behaviour and enthusiasm, and to the staff who made the trip possible. It truly was an amazing day!





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Year 10 Students Win Best Presentation at Carnegie Awards Shadowing Event

A group of our talented Year 10 students recently represented the school at the Carnegie Awards Shadowing Event held at Hele's School in Plymouth. The event brought together students from several local schools, each of whom had been reading and reflecting on one of the shortlisted titles for this year's prestigious Carnegie Medal for Writing.

Our students presented on *Little Bang* by Kelly McCaughrain, a powerful and thought-provoking novel exploring themes of grief, identity, and resilience. They worked hard to prepare a creative and insightful presentation, which they delivered with confidence at the event.

Each school showcased a different shortlisted book, and the presentations were a true celebration of reading and interpretation. We are incredibly proud to share that our students were **voted winners of the Best Presentation** by their peers from the other schools taking part, a wonderful recognition of their effort, understanding, and teamwork. The day concluded with a live stream of the official Carnegie Awards ceremony, allowing students to see the real-time announcement of the winning author.

It was a fantastic experience that encouraged collaboration, critical thinking, and a love of literature. Huge congratulations to our students on their well-deserved win!





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A Magical Game Show

On Wednesday 18th June, thirteen enthusiastic students from Years 9 and 10 had the exciting opportunity to attend a Maths Inspiration show at Exeter University.

The event, led by the charismatic Ben Sparks, offered a unique and engaging exploration of mathematics beyond the classroom.

Throughout the show, students enjoyed a fascinating blend of interactive mathematical games and impressive magic tricks, all underpinned by core mathematical principles. From decoding winning strategies to uncovering the logic behind illusions, the session revealed just how powerful and beautiful maths can be when applied creatively.

The experience demonstrated the real-world relevance of school-level mathematics and left students both inspired and intrigued. It was a wonderful opportunity to see maths presented not just as a subject to study, but as a tool for discovery, problem-solving, and even a little magic.





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Bank of England talks in PSHE lessons. On Friday 13th June, we were delighted to welcome Iain Ramsey, a representative from the Bank of England.

Iain spoke to a Year 9 class followed by a Year 7 PSHE class about the role of the Bank of England, explaining key concepts such as interest rates and inflation. Students also learned about the gold reserves stored in the Bank's vaults and the measures in place to keep them secure.

Originally from Cornwall, Iain joined the Bank of England as a graduate, highlighting how a career in banking can offer excellent prospects.

A big thank you to Iain Ramsey for giving up his time to speak with our students.



Year 10 students and Parents:

Save the date: Brook, the young people's sexual health charity have been invited into TCC and will work with the year 10 Wellbeing classes during the day on 10th July to deliver some Relationships and Sex Education sessions.



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Linguist of the Month

Mollie Year 8

Mollie has worked incredibly hard all year in Spanish and always makes sure to include lots of detail in her writing.

Charlie Year 8

Charlie has been putting lots of effort into his Spanish work recently and is always trying to improve his written work, well done Charlie!



Dresses from
Bee Bee Gowns

Tickets available to
buy from the
College reception.

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TCC FASHION SHOW

Adults: £8
Cons: £6

Tickets
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TCC Fashion Show 2025!

Join us for a dazzling evening of fashion, music, and dance!

Tickets are selling well, but there are still some available from the College reception.

Don't miss your chance to cheer on TCC's talented students, and see the TCC staff like you've never seen them before!

Thursday, 10th July



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E-Safety



Wellbeing in the Online World

There are lots of positives to being online for children, from staying in touch with friends to learning about the world.

There are some challenges, too, and the online world can be tricky for children to navigate. For some it can become overwhelming trying to keep up with friends, and the pressure can mount.

Noticing how your child is affected by being online is the first step in helping them manage their wellbeing.



Tips for managing wellbeing online

Have regular conversations with your child

Give children the chance to talk about what they're experiencing online, what apps and sites they use and who they're talking to.

Talking regularly, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed and mean that when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you.

Remind them that it isn't just you that they can talk to – another trusted adult or a Childline counsellor might be easier sometimes.

Take breaks

Our devices are designed to keep us coming back. Features like infinite scrolling, app notifications, auto play and rewards for playing games every day are all persuasive designs to increase our use.

Mobile and wearable tech such as phones and smart watches can make us feel like we're always online and it can help everyone to take a break sometimes, to help switch off from online pressures.

You can use the settings on individual apps, or in the device settings, to silence notifications for a period of time.

You can also use the 'do not disturb' mode available on most devices to mute calls and notifications, to help avoid distractions.

Use wellbeing settings and apps

These sites and apps are specifically designed to help children with their online wellbeing:

BBC Own it which gives advice as they chat to their friends online.

Headspace for Kids is an app to teach children the basics of mindfulness in a fun way. It's aimed at 3-12 year olds, with different content for the different age groups. Free for Headspace subscribers, limited access for non-subscribers.

JoyPoP is an app designed to help users find their inner resilience to deal with the highs and lows in their day to day lives. By rating mood for the day, users are directed to complete different activities to help switch to positive emotions. App costs £6.99.

You can also find out what apps your child uses the most and have a look to see if there are wellbeing guides which explain their settings to help support children's wellbeing.



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Starts Friday 20th June 6-7pm @ YMCA Torpoint Sports Hall (Every 2 weeks)

**Participate in Sports & Activities including:
Football – Badminton – Basketball – Dodgeball –**



- or just relax and chill out with friends listening to your favourite music!

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Cornwall MHST's
next round of
parent/carer
workshops will be
running in
September 2025.

Mental Health Support Team

Topics will include:

- **Behaviour**

Strategies for fostering positive behaviour and communication at home.

- **Worry**

Includes practical strategies for helping children manage their worries.

- **Resilience**

Discuss the meaning of resilience, ways to build it, and when young people should seek help.

- **Sleep**

Sleep hygiene and routines, along with practical strategies for assisting children.



Please note: children must be in reception to year 7



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**New locations added
for summer!!**



**Don't forget to sign up to the
Mental Health Support Team free
Wild Wellbeing sessions being held over the
Summer holidays at various locations**



Open to parents/carers and their *school aged** children
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Summer at Tamar Bridge

FREE VIRTUAL REALITY TOURS: FOR AGES 10+
Drop In Sessions
10am-12pm: Friday 25th July, 8th August and 22nd August
1pm-3pm: Tuesday 29th July, 12th August and 26th August

PUBLIC ANCHORAGE TOUR: FOR AGES 11+
10am-11:30am: BOOKING REQUIRED
Tuesday, 29th July Monday, 11th August Tuesday, 19th August

FREE CRAFT WORKSHOPS WITH PLYMOUTH SCRAPSTORE
11AM - 3PM: ALL AGES - Drop In Sessions
Wednesday, 23rd July Thursday, 14th August Wednesday, 27th August


HISTORIAN FOR A DAY: 11-15 YEARS
10AM - 3PM: Wednesday 6th August - BOOKING REQUIRED
Learn about the history of the Tamar & Royal Albert Bridges
Discover historical artifacts not yet seen by members of the public

FILM SUMMER SCHOOL WITH FOTONOW: 12-18 YEARS
10AM - 3PM: Wednesday 13th-Friday 15th August - BOOKING REQUIRED

PHOTOGRAPHY SUMMER SCHOOL WITH FOTONOW: 10 - 14 YEARS
10AM - 3PM: Wednesday 27th-Friday 29th August - BOOKING REQUIRED

ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE TOUR: 16-18 YEAR OLDS
9:30am-12:30pm: Wednesday 20th August - BOOKING REQUIRED
Guided under the bridge anchorage tour with our expert engineers
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Fotonow - Creative Media Summer Schools

Film Focus for 12-18 year olds
13th-15th August

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27th-29th August

Three day programmes support young people to develop their skills in
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Wednesday, 20th August 2025: 9:30am-12:30pm



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Our guided tour Under the Tamar Bridge and to its Anchorage is led by
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NEW Summer Activity for 11-15 year olds HISTORIAN FOR A DAY

Wednesday, 6th August 2025: 10am-3pm



- Learn about the history of the Tamar and Royal Albert Bridges.
- Discover historical artifacts not yet shared with the public.
- Research and Design your own displays

Book your space here 



www.bridgingthetamar.org.uk
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Homework Support Available for all Students at TCC!

We're excited to share that homework support sessions are available for all TCC students! Whether your child needs a little extra help, a quiet place to work, or guidance from a teacher, we've got it covered. These supportive sessions are a great opportunity to stay on top of assignments and build confidence.

When:

• **Monday & Wednesday** – After school in room 1 from 3:10-4:10

• **Tuesday** – Lunchtime in room 17

 **Good news for bus riders!** Students who usually take the bus home can use their existing bus passes on a later bus after attending an after-school session.

These sessions are led by our dedicated teachers, ready to support students with any subject. Encourage your child to take advantage of this fantastic resource!



HOMEWORK CLUB

Monday

After College 15:10-16:10
Room 1

Tuesday

Lunchtime
Room 17

Wednesday

After College 15:10-16:10
Room 1





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PE Extra- Curricular Clubs Summer Term 2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	Athletics – Front Field HMI BOYS Rounders Club Front Field BRO	CamNat Sport Club (CHP) Girls Volleyball Front Field HMI Softball – All Years Backfield TWY	Athletics – Front Field HMI	CamNat Intervention CHP Room 5, HMI Room 1 Year 7&8 Dodgeball Gymnasium TWY Boys Volleyball – Back Field BRO	CamNat Intervention (CHP) Room 5 CNAT Revision Y11 Room 1 HMI
After-school	Year 9,10,11 Tennis Hard Play Area, AFA Cricket, All Years Front Field BRO/CHP	Girls Rounders, All Years Back Field CHP/BRO Years 9,10,11 Basketball YMCA, AFA	Boys Cricket Front Field BRO Year 7&8 Tennis Hard Courts NLU	Athletics – Front Field HMI Year 7&8 Basketball YMCA, NLU Golf, AFA Sign Up Only – come and see Mr Farmer.	



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PLAY LOCAL, PLAY FOR FUN, *play all year*

Book Online!

Pay and Play - £6 per hour
Annual Family Membership - £35

Thanckes Park Tennis Courts
admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/TorpointTownCouncil>





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TCC is now a local donation point for the Torpoint foodbank along with Sainsbury's and the Co-op.

The donation point in the College's main reception.

Please help us support local families by dropping items in when you are passing or need to clear out your cupboards. They are always happy for any donations, but they are always looking for:

Tinned vegetables, fruit and meat

Long life milk and baby milk

Products with a long shelf life or use by date

Deodorants and shampoos etc for men and women

Nappies

Cat and dog food.



LISKEARD & LOOE FOODBANK

**HELPING LOCAL
PEOPLE IN CRISIS**



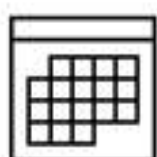
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Effective communication between parents and school staff is vital to ensure your child receives the best possible support and education. This guide outlines the appropriate channels for different types of enquiries and sets clear expectations to help foster respectful and productive interactions.

Who to Contact for Different Types of Inquiries:



General Day-to-Day Inquiries

For routine questions or concerns about your child's school life, please contact your child's **Tutor** in the first instance. They are best placed to address most day-to-day matters and provide the necessary support.



Higher-Level Concerns

If your concern is more significant or goes beyond everyday issues, you should contact your child's **Head of Year**. They can address broader issues relating to your child's academic progress, behaviour, or well-being.



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Concerns

For specific concerns related to your child's additional learning needs or their SEND provision, please contact the **SENDCo** (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator). *Please note: The SENDCo should only be contacted for higher-level concerns regarding your child's support needs. For more general issues, we kindly ask that you contact your child's Tutor first. This ensures concerns are handled efficiently and by the right staff member.*



Curriculum-Related Concerns or Major Issues

For concerns about the school curriculum, significant school-wide matters, or if you wish to make a formal complaint, please contact a member of the **College Leadership Team (CLT)**. They are equipped to address higher-level issues and ensure that school policies are followed appropriately.



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Response Times:



Our staff work hard to support all students and families, often managing a high volume of inquiries. Therefore, please allow up to **2 working days** for a response to any email or phone inquiry. If you consider your inquiry to be urgent, please communicate via email or through the College receptionist the nature of your contact so that the relevant person can determine if an immediate response is required. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Respectful Communication:



We are committed to fostering a respectful and positive environment for students, staff, and families. We ask that all communication with school staff remains polite and constructive.



If a parent speaks rudely or behaves aggressively toward a member of staff, the staff member has the right to end the interaction immediately. In such cases, the conversation/ meeting will be rescheduled for a later date. We value respectful communication, and our staff should not be subjected to shouting or abuse under any circumstances.

If you would like to meet a member of staff, please email them or contact reception to book an appointment. Due to an array of commitments, staff might not be able to meet without an appointment.

worries@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk

Students and parents are asked to use our worries email address for any safeguarding concerns.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

We value your partnership in your child's education.

<https://www.torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk/contact-us/>





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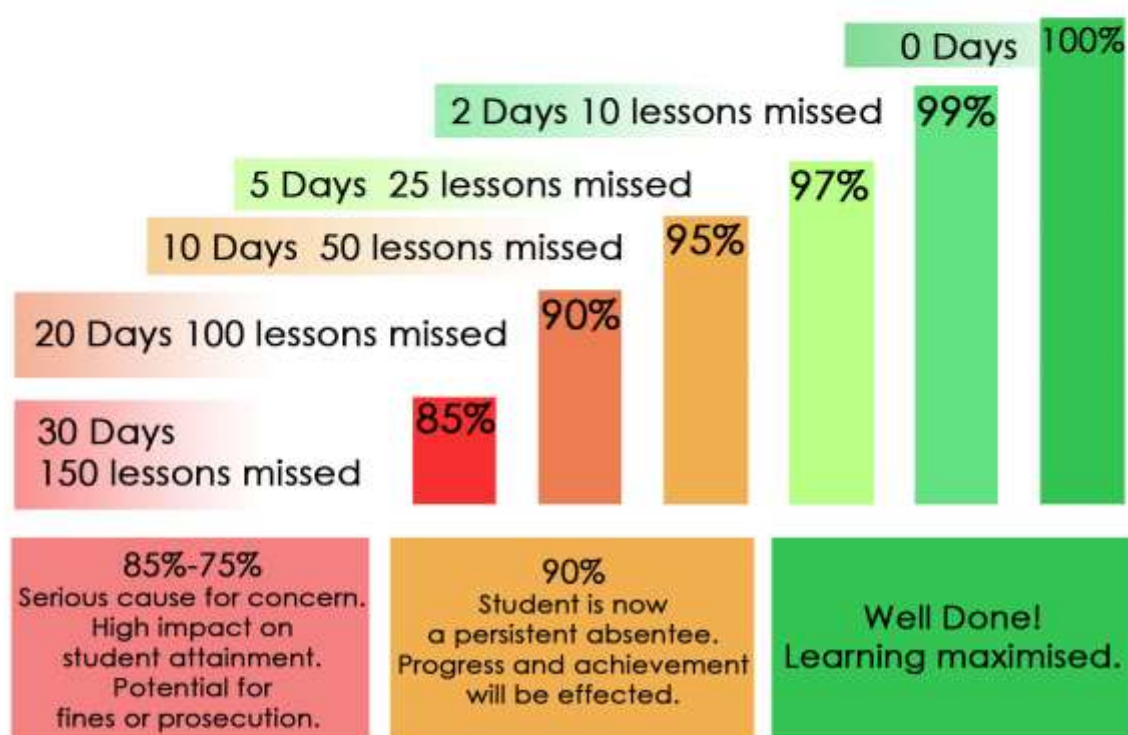


EVERYDAY COUNTS

*Why is attendance important
for my child's education?*

**Good attendance
means:**

Being in school at least **95%+** of the time.



Attendance- Information about Penalty Notices

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.



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BREAKFAST CLUB

8-8.30AM

EVERY MORNING!

COME TO THE
**STUDENT SUPPORT
CENTRE**

-BREAKFAST INCLUDES-

TOAST

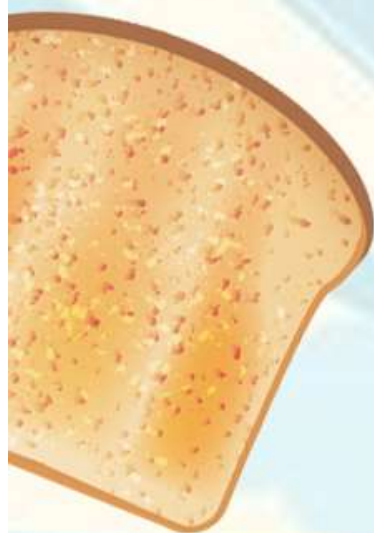
CEREAL

SNACK BARS

FRUIT

FREE OF CHARGE

ANY DONATIONS
WELCOME





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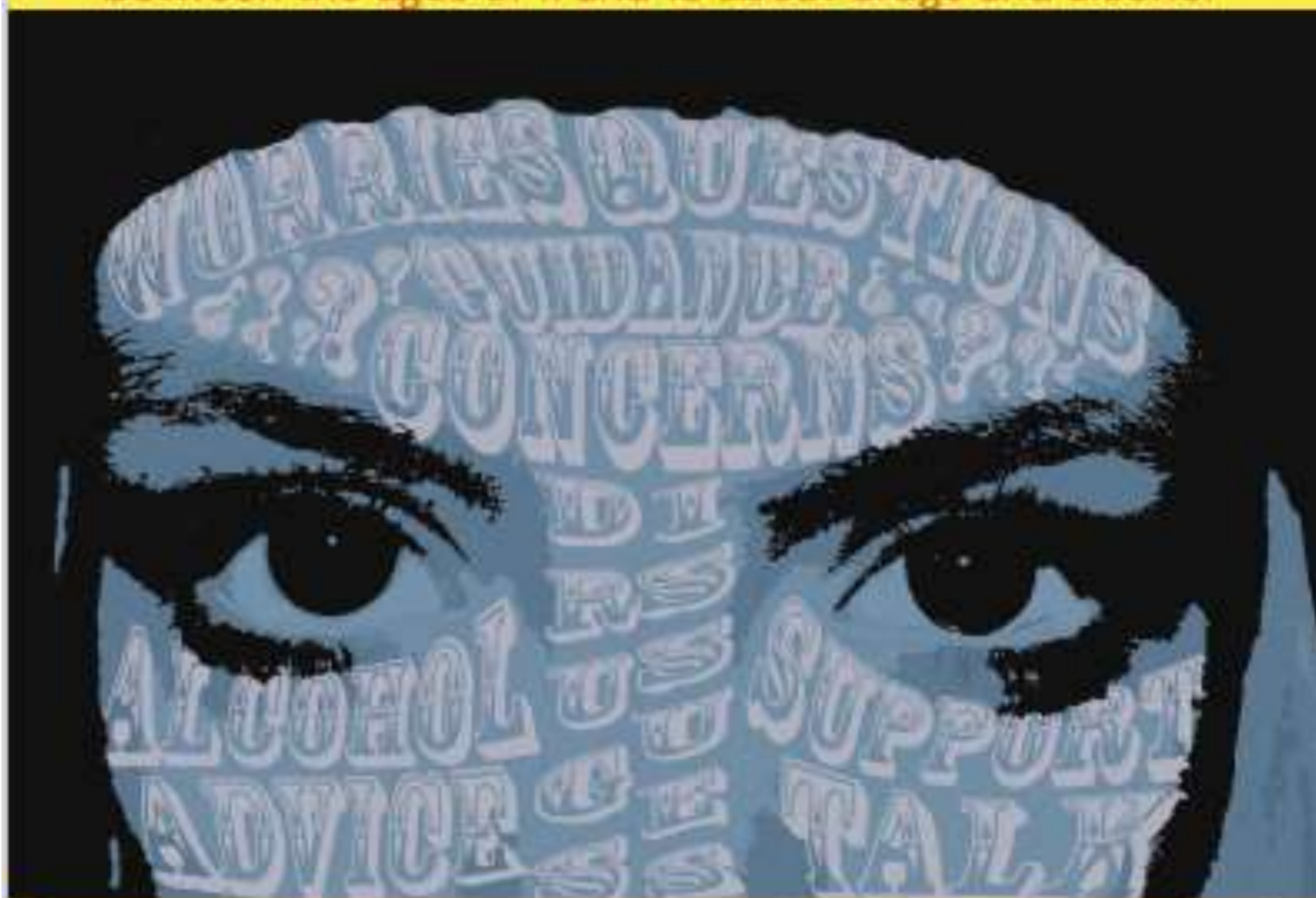
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with you**

**YZUP (Wise Up) is the Young Person's
Drug and Alcohol Service in Cornwall**

We offer support, information and advice to young people
between the ages of 11 and 18 about drugs and alcohol



Whether it's a chat on the phone or long term support you're
after, YZUP can offer you professional support every
weekday from 9am till 5pm

01872 300816

Call our confidential helpline to speak to a worker.

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SAFEGUARDING YOU

worries@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk

Our main
priority is that
students feel
safe and
happy.

Email any worries to the above
email address OR
leave a note in our

worry box.

You can find it outside the
library.

Dr Plumb



*If you have any concerns or
worries, please speak to
one of the child protection team.*

Or speak to a member
of staff you trust and feel
comfortable
with.

Mrs Lear



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