



Saltash Community School

Summer Newsletter

2022-2023

From the Headteacher



Welcome to our Summer Newsletter 2023! As always, it is so lovely to look back over the Summer term and celebrate the rich and varied activities we've been able to offer our students. And, as always, they have made us proud.

As we start the Summer break, I would like to thank all the staff, parents, carers and students for all their hard work and support over the last year. We are sad to say farewell to staff and student leavers but are looking forward to welcoming a whole new Year 7 cohort in just a few weeks. I know you will all welcome them into TEAM Saltash.

We have some exciting developments to look forward to next year, with the reintroduction of the House System and a whole host of rewards and celebration events to recognise student successes and achievements. Mr Ward is leading this exciting initiative and will be in touch in September to outline our plans in more detail.

Until then, have a restful summer.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mrs. Ward".

Important information

Dates

Exams Result Days

Thursday 17th August – A Level

Thursday 24th August – GCSE Results

Both dates are 8.30 – 10.30am in the Main Hall

Mon 4 Sept 2023
**INSET Day - Staff
training day**
**school closed to
pupils**

Autumn Term 1
Tuesday 5 September 2023:
Years 7, 12 and 13 only

**Wednesday 6 September
2023:**
All year groups.

Form Tutor Changes

Year 8

8CEA Room 4 Miss Roden

8SJE Room 8 Mr Eaglestone (was JHH)

Year 9

9CES Corinne Shepherd Room 24 (was HEM)

Year 10

10MDT Room 29 Matt Turner (was FSL)

10KEJ Room 36 Kayleigh Jones (was EDV)



Year 7- Year 9 Celebration

Friday ...



Celebrations

Congratulations to the following students who were top for TEAM points earnt over the past fortnight! Please make sure you have collected your postcard, sweet & raffle ticket!

7ACW – Jack F, Cayden R, Eloise S, Rafi H L

7AEF- Faye N, Leighton K

7CEA- Logan G, Erin T, Noah C, Emilia G

7DJT-, Phoebe M, Ruby R, Gypsy W

7GCY- Ella D, Keira B,

7HHG- Isla T, Lucas G, Roman W

7JHH- Jackson V D, Annabel R, Elizabeth P-K

7JKP- Fleur P, Connie S, Chloe C

8CEH – Elaina S, Brody C, Kayley H

8EEP- Terry TJ H, Jaxon C, Clayton C, Rokia C

8HEM- Luana Q, Alex C, Mia J

8LXB, Isla C, Ava F, Isabel S, Bluebell D

8NCL – Daisy I, Lauren G, Katie-Jane H, Emilia T

8PMB- Alexis T, Jasper K, Maisie-Jane E

8SAS- Millie F, Gemma J, Lewis F

8SMO, Oliver S, Charlie R, Joe P, Jay Hollister

9AMR– Thomas P, Abby W, Sophie L

9EDV- Sami F, Alfie A, Grace M

9FAS- Issy H, Luke D, Bradley M

9FSL, Barnabas L, Daniel P, Lili-Mai W, Lilie F

9GEJ – Bonnie B-M, Daisy P, Emmy D

9JBW- Matthew F, Paige P, Harry W

9LAS- Dario D V, Harry R, Aaron B

9REB, Maisie T, Leon B, Ruby W

Year 10 Celebration

Friday...



Eva W – 10HYG

Connor L – 10RAH

Livvy R – 10MLF

Elizabeth D – 10RAH

Sophie P – 10HYG

Rachel H – 10INB

Archie T – 10INB

Harvey S – 10RAH

Thomas W – 10RAH

Erin S – 10HYG

Esme C – 10RAH

Will J – 10JYK

Lola M – 10HYG

Rose C – 10INB

Tilly-Mai M – 10JRR

Ethan B – 10JRR

Jessica B – 10MLF

Sporting News....



This year has been an outstanding year for girls football. I have seen such an amazing commitment throughout the year from all the girls that turn up to training, week in and week out. Rain or shine. The standard of football has been really good and I have had a tough job selecting teams for competitions. So I would like to say a massive well done to every girl who has attended this year. You are all motivated and aspirational individuals and I hope continue to see everyone next year at Football club. However, I would like to say a special well done to all the girls who competed in the following competitions. I am so proud of you all.

Mrs Kellaway



U16 County Cup – Champions!



U12 County Cup – Runners Up



U13 Torpoint Tournament – Runners up



Sports Day News....

Thursday 13th July 2023



After disappointing weather conditions on Tuesday 11th July, we had to make the decision to postpone Sports Day until Thursday 13th July. However, it didn't dampen our spirits! the day was a huge success and enjoyed by all. These are some of highlights of the day!



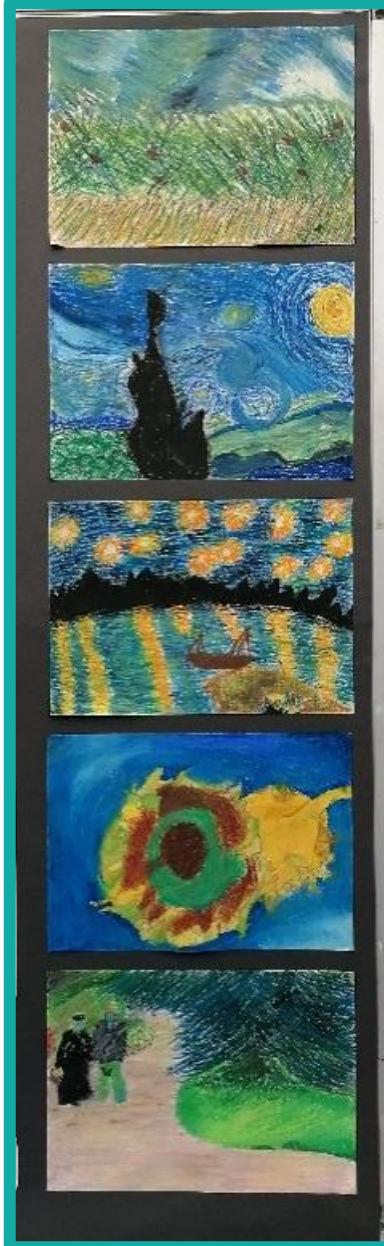
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Art & Design



Art Club Year 7 & Year 8

They have developed their skills through a variety of different mediums e.g. oil pastel drawings inspired by Van Gogh, lino print Christmas card designs, still life drawings and painting techniques.



Lily-Mai (7HHG) captured the message the Town Council wished to portray to the Saltash Community, regarding dog fouling and have chosen it to be printed on several signs to be installed around various locations within Saltash. Lily-Mai was awarded her prize by the Mayor, Mayoress and Judging Panel of her design printed on a small sign to take away and keep.

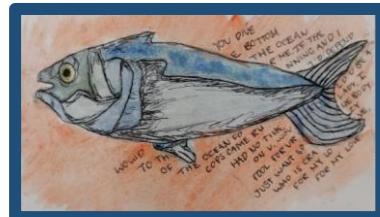
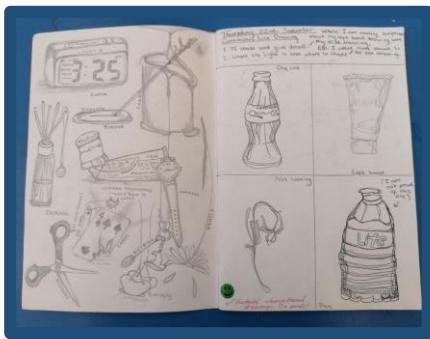
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Food paintings inspired by food illustrator Emma D.

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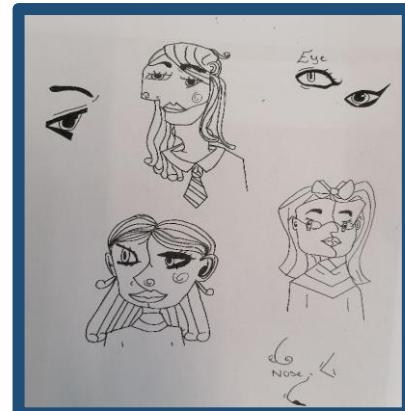
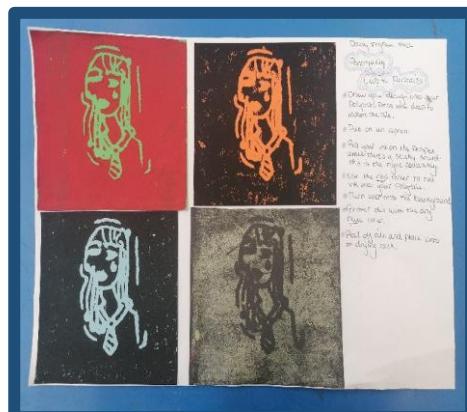


Year 7 Art: Drawing focusing on texture, tone and mark making techniques. Food paintings inspired by food illustrator Emma Dibben.



Year 8: Cubist

continuous line drawings and poly printing inspired by Picasso.

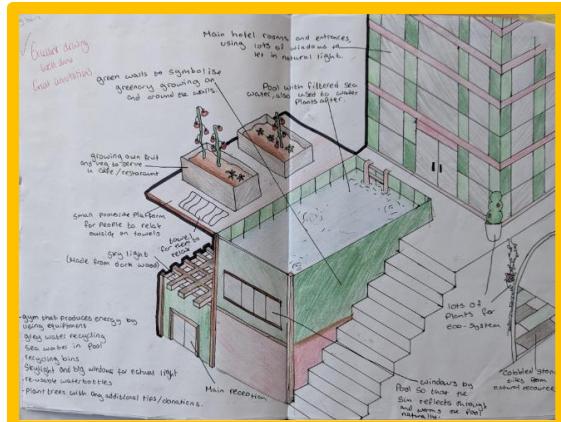
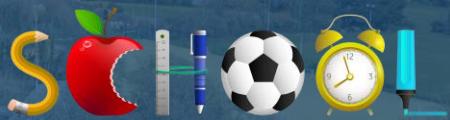


Year 9 Textiles: Block printing inspired by patterns in nature.



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Design Technology



Isometric drawing of an eco-friendly hotel completed by a Year 10 student.



One of my Year 10's took it upon themselves to create RC cantilever bridge. He provided me with a step-to-step guide on how he created it.

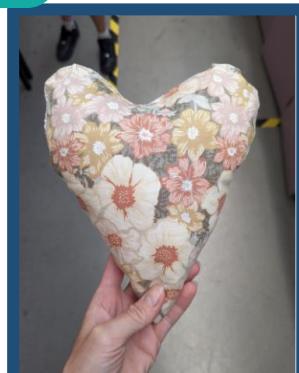


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Year 10 completed a 'Product in a Tin' project, and here are some examples of their good work.



During KS3 DT club, a wonderful group of Year 7 students have created their very own Tote Bag from scratch. One student who finished early decided to create a heart pillow as an extra task.



Classroom News

Hospitality & Catering

Royal Navy chefs came to work with Year 11 Level 1/2 Hospitality and catering students. The students thoroughly enjoyed the chefs' shared expertise and humour. The groups all produced some lovely dishes of home-made fish cakes and mini fruit pavlovas.



Classroom News

Hospitality & Catering

Food produced from our Key Stage 3 & 4 Students

Here are some impressive foods produced from our talented students here at Saltash Community School, from sweet to savoury....truly amazing results!...watch out MasterChef!



Year 6 Transition Day

On the 29th June Year 6 spent the day meeting some of their teachers. In DT Food they learnt where butter comes from and how to make it. Students enjoyed flavouring their own butter and got to try it out on freshly baked baguettes. Delicious!



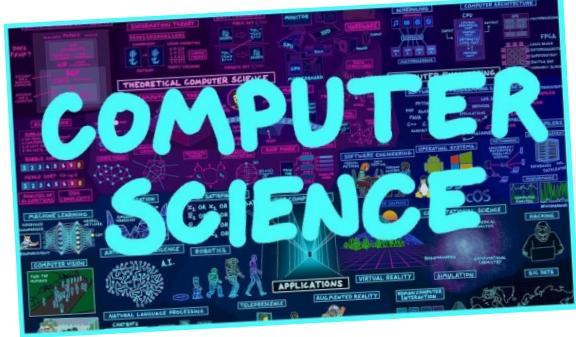
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Computer Science

Within Computer Science this year we have been a part of 2 exciting events. Firstly, every single Computer Science student took part in the Bebras Computational thinking competition. Where students had to problem solve their way through lots of different types of problems. We had 7 students who made it through to the next round, which only the top 10% nationally could be a part of! They did an amazing job giving the next stage a go, which was much more of a challenge. Massive well done to all involved in both rounds of the competition!

Secondly, we had some tutor groups within Year 8 and 9 who took part in the Mission Zero project from Raspberry Pi. Students had to write some code which was then ran on the International Space Station. Students whose code matched the criteria set by the project was ran. Students received a certificate to show exactly when and where above earth their code was run. Impressive – well done to you all!

Mrs Broad
Head of Computer Science



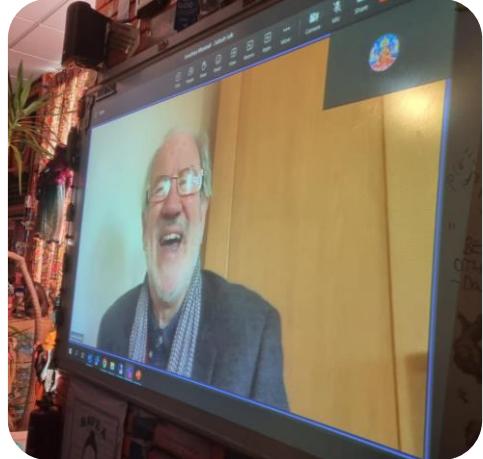
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Religious Education



TEAM RE Ramps up the Visits!

This year has seen a welcome return to visitors to the RE department following the unfortunate disruption of Covid. In January, we were joined virtually by practising Buddhist Jonathan Marshall. Jonathan was not in the UK at this time but still managed to give a presentation to two GCSE classes on the beliefs and practices of his faith. What a star!



In March, ex-student Zane Kennington came in to speak to Miss Sayer's year 11 GCSE class. Zane had scored an excellent result in their RS exam last year, so came to inspire this cohort and inspire they did.

Michelle Parkman, chaplain at Plymouth Marjon University made a visit to Miss Sayer's Year 11 class in April and added real value to the 'lived' experience of what it means to be an ordained Christian. This served as perfect timing in preparation for their GCSE exam the following month.



May saw the return of the Gideons, now known as 'Good News for Everyone'. As they had been unable to come onto site last year, Tom and Esther delivered an incredible 16 lessons with Year 7 and 8. All students were given their very own New Testament, Psalms and Proverbs, a gift that I imagine most will keep for many years.

Literacy Workshops

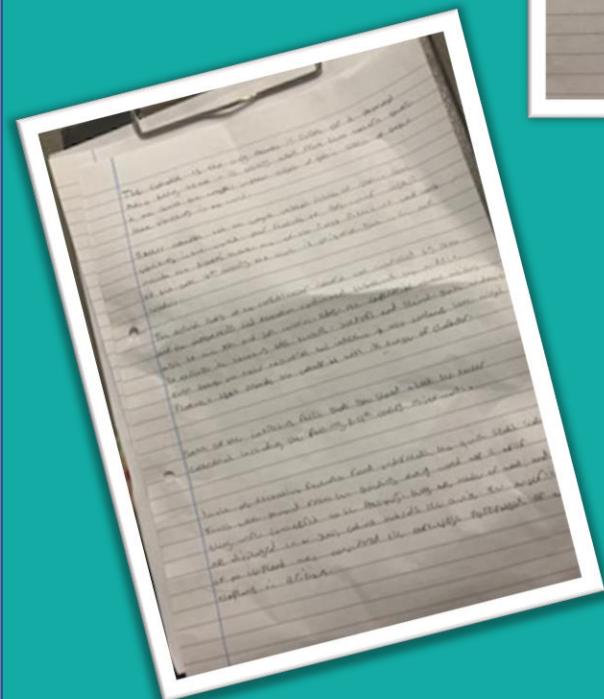
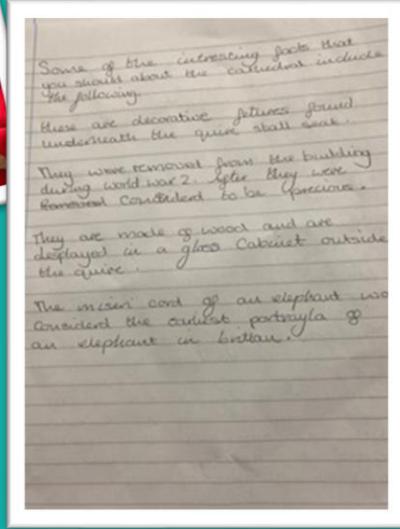
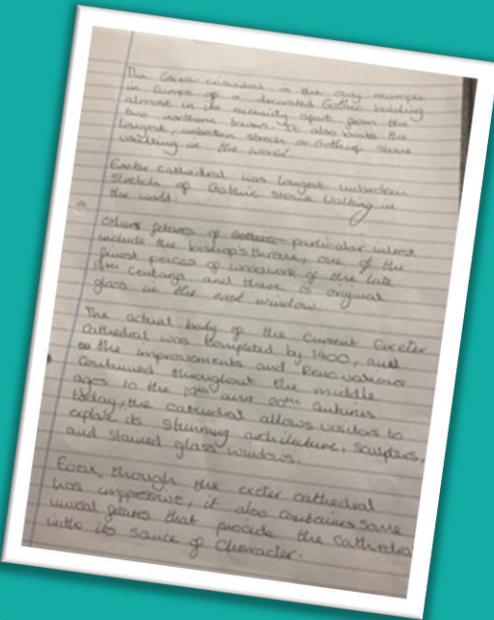
Plymouth University

It was awesome to be able to take our four tutor groups to Plymouth University to take part in the literacy workshops, students had the opportunity to take the lead on writing an illustrating the book Cub's adventure, which is a book that is aimed at younger students, allowing our students to construct the text and sketch the illustrations. The students really enjoyed the opportunities to learn about how a book is written by the author of the published book The Cub and worked together in teams demonstrating their problem solving, creative and communication skills. All students and staff thoroughly enjoyed their experience and the opportunity to be part of creating a story using their literacy skills and developing new ones. We look forward to taking our other Year 7 tutor groups in the new year, as well as many other Careers and learning opportunities.



Literacy Workshops

Plymouth University



ARB Highlights 2022/2023



We have had a packed year here in the ARB with lots of great learning and new experiences for our students, all of it in our newly refurbished building. We have been steadily developing the outdoor space as well and the students have worked hard to set up our allotment and grow our first crop of vegetables. Here are just a few of the highlights of our year in the ARB:

This year we have made swimming lessons a key part of our curriculum and students have enjoyed one week of lessons each half term at Saltash Leisure centre. It has been wonderful to see the progress they have made. Some students who had almost no confidence in the water during our first session are now competent swimmers who enjoy being in the water.



ARB Highlights 2022/2023



Just before the Christmas holiday a group of students had the opportunity to attend a production at Stiltskin's Soapbox Children's Theatre in Plymouth. They saw "The Christmas mouse" in a big marquee outside the theatre in Devonport part and a great time was had by all.

There have been a number of trips this year to a whole range of different places. One of these was a trip to Launceston Castle for the students in the ELC History group. They explored the medieval ruins and learned about how and why the castle was built there back in the 11th century. A few brave students even climbed to the top of the keep!



ARB Highlights 2022/2023

In the penultimate week of term we took part in the school sports day. This can be a challenging environment for our students, as it is crowded and noisy. The ARB students did brilliantly, however, with all students participating and supporting throughout the day.

Staff were really impressed by the positivity and bravery of the students, many of whom competed in events they had not tried before alongside students from the mainstream school.



All in all, a really successful year for students in the ARB. We are all looking forward to what next year will bring, along with the new students who are joining us in September.

Performing Arts

Highlights...



What a year 2022-2023 has been for Performing Arts! We kicked off with the Band Slam Live Sessions in October, led by the Year 10 GCSE Music group (both backstage and on stage). This included band and solo performances from GCSE and A Level music students. Tom H was a bit of dark horse and ended with a standing ovation after his performance of Piano Man by Billy Joel, on the Piano and Harmonica. We then moved straight on to rehearsals for the Carol Service which took place in St Stephen's Church on Wednesday 14th December. The whole of Year 7 had been learning songs to perform, which they did beautifully. There were readings, such as the Bible excerpt ready by Our Head Boy, Jake O; solo performances from Peta B in Year 10 and ensembles such as Carol of the Bells from the Year 7 Keyboard Club. We also had a fun interactive Sermon by the wonderful Rev. Michelle Parkman. This is one of our favourite events of the year and really got us in the mood for Christmas!

In February we had our whole School Musical, Into the Woods, directed by our Head of Performing Arts, Mrs Emily Venner. The students were incredible, performing across 3 evenings plus a matinee in for our special Year 6 guests from the local Primary schools. We had outstanding performances from all of the cast, with our Witch, Breanna stealing the show with the Witches Rap and our Baker, Jamey E making the audience laugh with his comic timing. Nub Sound were on technical support with fantastic provision of sound and lighting supported by our students.



Performing Arts

Highlights...



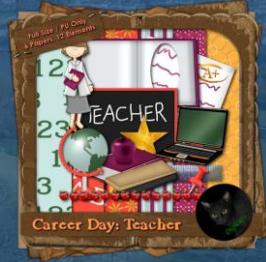
In March, we were honoured to receive the Mayor's award for the Best Performance during the Civic Service for the school's production of Matilda Jr (July 2022).



We ended the year on a high with a wonderful Summer Showcase event, celebrating the hard work of the students in Dance, Drama and Music across the year. Dom G, in Year 10, compered the whole event with his wit and charm! The evening was a lovely way to end the term with performances from the Theatre Royal Drama hubs, the Dance Hubs, the Musical Theatre Groups and various bands and soloists from across the year groups. It was also wonderful to welcome back some of our alumni Performing Arts students for Mrs Venner's farewell. Thank you to everyone that has supported the Performing Arts Department over the years.



Early Career Teachers 2022/2023



We are really proud to recognise the success of our ECT's (Early Career Teachers) in completing their 2-year Induction period at Saltash Community School. Well done to Alice Crowe-Wright (Geography), Alice Frances (Performing Arts), Chloe Arscott (Performing Arts), Jack Perry (PE), Jacob Whitnell (English), Joseph Hartley (Geography), Hannah Graham (Maths) and Ian Blackford (Science) who have all contributed immensely to the ethos and TEAM values of our school community. We are also delighted to celebrate the achievements of Alice Crowe-Wright and Jack Perry who were awarded certificates of excellence from the Pearson Teaching Awards in the category of 'Outstanding new Teacher'.



Work Experience Information

Work Experience 2023 is taking place this week with 223 placements secured by students across Year 10 and 12. Students are enjoying the challenge and the main objective is to give each student a good experience of an adult work environment. It will enable the students to put the knowledge and skills they have learnt in PD into practice in real workplace situations.

Placements have been secured with large work placement employers such as Devon and Cornwall Police, Royal Navy, Babcock's, Waitrose and Princess Yachts as well as lots of our wonderful local businesses that have offered students the opportunity to experience the working environment. These include high street retail working with customers, dog groomers assisting in grooming and engaging with customers, veterinary practise observing consultations, hair salons, care sector, cyber security , The Core assisting with quilting club, Architects assisting in designing a life guard hut, making bath bombs at Scents and Scensibility and many more.

We are very proud of our students achievements this week, with wonderful feedback of how our students confidence is growing as their week progresses with lots of new skills learnt such as communication, listening, speaking, team work and problem solving.



Year 7

TEAM Week 2023



What a week it has been for Year 7 enjoying their first ever Saltash TEAM week having the opportunity to develop each of our school values. Students have enjoyed two amazing trips, challenging themselves to a mini hike on Dartmoor to develop tenacity and experience the great outdoors learning about the natural world around them. As well as a fun filled trip to Crealy, with the emphasis on fun and enjoyment, it was wonderful to see the excitement of students spending a day having fun with their friends, challenging themselves to new experiences and enjoyment.

The week has also been an opportunity for students to gain problem solving, communication, teamwork and many other key life skills by taking part in an entrepreneurial activity designing theme parks. Using their ideas from their visit to Crealy to inspire them to come up with their own designs. We also wanted to explore and understand our value of empathy, Shelter the homeless charity came into work with our young people to raise awareness of the plight of the homeless and how many people experience this. Trying to expel any stereotypes and encouraging students to come up with ideas of how they can make a difference by coming up with fundraising campaigns that we aim to explore in the next school year.

The week ended with students getting the opportunity to be creative with the History department and let off some steam taking part in tutor group sporting activities. As always our students embraced the opportunities given to them and conducted themselves well for guest speakers and out and about on all school trip. They developed and demonstrated our school values throughout the week and hopefully had a positive end to Year 7.

Year 8

TEAM Week 2023



Year 8 have taken part in their second TEAM week at Saltash and have taken part in a range of activities in and out of school, the week started for them in school developing their empathy skills by understanding the crucial work that charities play in our society. They then were able to use their entrepreneurial skills to come up with fund raising ideas for their chosen charity. It was a pleasure to look at all of the amazing ideas and the presentations on display, all students got involved but we were particularly impressed with 8SMO who as a whole class produced amazing thought provoking work.

Our two day trips this year were to Woodlands and Plymouth University, we were incredibly proud of how our students behaved and represented our school at Woodlands and it was amazing to see the happy faces showing how much fun they had. Plymouth University put on a brilliant carousel of activities for our students including a visit to the apple store, robotics, first aid, forensics and a tour of the University, the variety was enjoyed by all and certainly gave students the opportunity to learn about University life.

Wednesday was our wellbeing day, students rotated around seed planting, kindness crafting, sporting fun and the inflatables. We also had a Careers activity with local employers to develop students confidence skills in talking to employers discovering what jobs the employers did, playing real life guess who and discovering the skills they use in their jobs. The week ended with students getting the opportunity to learn about Bio-Diversity in the Geography department and experience culture from around the world in the Language department. Students embraced the week and represented our school really well, which was a fab way to end Year 8



Year 9

TEAM Week 2023



Well done to the intrepid and the bold who have undertaken residential trips to Sennen Cove and Manor House. Well done to the creative and courageous who have undertaken our Great Week of Trips. Well done to the amazing mindful and motivated who undertook our creative on-site programme. A truly successful week for all, who have pushed their own boundaries, tried something new, found they could do something they didn't think they could do, and who have laughed and learned beyond the classroom.

Our Great Week of trips has taken us to Camel Creek (where the coolest of the dudes rode the tea cups without parallel, where the Magic Dragon rollercoaster was more dramatic than its roar and where the water flume was quite simply... WET!!). We were welcomed by a family of meerkats (yes, they really do stand up like that, but they don't seem to sell leading monetary products), enjoyed rollercoasters and zero-gravity, slides and sing-along-songs, but the greatest draw of all was the water flume. The entrance warning said "you will get wet": well how wet could they have meant??.... oh dear. VERY.

We have enjoyed a sun-filled day of picnicking and playing in the gracious grounds of Mount Edgcumbe Country Park. Orange sorbet and elegant treats from the Orangery Café, team games, dappled shade and views of cows. What a change of pace!

The Plymouth Faith Trail has been eye-opening and enlightening. Our young people are an absolute credit to both themselves and our school. I nearly burst with pride at the respect that they showed.

We have also, however, enjoyed a day of personal challenge too. Some opted for a day of physical challenge and military-style acumen, some opted for a day of creativity beyond the classroom with fabulous creations ranging from dresses that look like art work, to art work that looks like nature itself Year 9 have found their route and have excelled.

Today is THE CREALY DAY!!! Never has so many rides been looked forward to be so many for so long! However I still need to see Mr Jones on a ride....

Well done Year 9 and a well-deserved TEAM week. Thank you all for such a great year this year. You have worked hard and been the best versions of yourselves you could possibly be: I am so proud of you all.

Have a restful and safe summer. I look forward to seeing you all for the start of our exciting learning journey in Year 10.

Mrs M

Year 9 TEAM Week 2023



Student Leadership

Student Council & MAT Council



The student council and MAT council at Saltash have been working hard all year to try and ensure our student voices is heard. We have together tried to add to the positive ethos of the school and have hosted events to raise money for charity.

One thing we sorted was wearing something red for comic relief as well as a sports challenge where we managed to raise £1600 for charity. Our students have attended many MAT meetings throughout the year where our school in particular have raised some really important issues in our community; this is from our environment to the cost of living crisis. They have represented our school brilliantly and are great ambassadors, not only for our school but for our community.

Four of our students were nominated for student leadership across the MAT for their amazing services to our school as well as exemplifying the qualities that make a great leader: Charlie V, Elena B, Maddy B and Jayden E. Our own Jayden E won which is absolutely fantastic! These students really are a credit to our school.

Next year we hope to have a bigger uptake to our student council and are hoping to continue raising our young students aspirations and giving them the opportunity to show good leadership.

Mr Barnes.



Community Information

Dear All,



The Core – Youth & Community Centre – Youth Activities 2023

We would like to promote all the youth activities we offer at The Core, Youth & Community Centre in Saltash. The QR code below will take parents and students straight to our website where they will find all the information they need or click on the website link <http://www.thecoresaltash.co.uk>

We would like to ensure that our community knows what is on offer as we have a packed programme for children and young people.

We will be having a taster evening on Wednesday 31st August for New Year 7s from 6.30-8.30pm so they can see what we do and how you can book to join our Junior Youth Club which is for Year 7 and Year 8 and runs every Thursday at this time. It is a £1 entry and all are welcome.

So, why don't you put the 31st August in your diary and come along and see what is on offer.

Looking forward to seeing you all

Many thanks

Charlotte Carpenter - Youth Work Co-ordinator

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The Core



Community Information

Saltash success at the World Pilot Gig Championships

Several of our current and ex-pupils competed in the 32nd World Pilot Gig Championships at the Isles of Scilly this May. All rowing for Cardon Gig Club, they took on 120 other crews and showed great tenacity and motivation in good conditions, apart from a little sea fog! The open men's and women's competitions take place over two days, with the longer St. Agnes to St. Mary's harbour race on the Saturday afternoon and the first of three shorter Nut Rock to harbour races that evening. All boats compete in the St. Agnes race for high positions in the first of the two 12-boat heats that follow. Boats finishing in the top two of the heats go up to the group above for the next race, and the bottom two are relegated to the group below. On Sunday, there is the final heat, followed by the finals, which are also from Nut Rock. And so, whoever wins the A final becomes world champions. This year's Saltash Community School roll of honour is as follows:

- Kieran S guested in Penryn Rowing Club's Dew of the Sea, which reached the H final and came in 87th.
- Connor S, Billy D and Freddy D rowed in Amazon, reaching the D final and coming in 38th overall.
- Sophie C rowed in Amazon, which reached the D final and came in 37th overall.
- Libby H rowed in Ann Glanville, which reached the B final and came 14th overall.
- Ryan B, Ryan M and Tom H rowed in An Dhowrlann (The Waterside), reaching the A final and coming in 9th overall.
- Not that recent a pupil, but Josie M rowed in An Dhowrlann, reached the A final and finished 3rd overall.

Preparation for the world championships begins in October and is a demanding process, so many congratulations to all. Good luck next year!

If you want to try gig rowing, Caradon have a juniors evening every Tuesday from 5.30-7pm, meeting at Saltash Sailing Club.

