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HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

My mind this week slipped back to a moment in my childhood when I was holidaying in Teignmouth with my extended family. Local fishermen had put on a display of some of the unusual and quite terrifying creatures they had found from time to time in their nets, usually those from the deep ocean, in order to raise money for the RNLI. My father having gone ahead had seen this display and hid behind the trestle table with a camera to capture my reaction as I came across it which he duly did. The photo of my wide eyed and mouthed joyful horror exists to this day.

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I was reminded of this when watching the Marine Biologist, Dr Nicola Foster of the University of Plymouth talking to our Prep children as part of our Ocean Week. Even an academic of her renown was up against it with the curiosity of the Prep children, although she handled their inquisitive energy masterfully. One child asked if the scariest sea creatures were from the deep ocean; I found myself nodding inwardly. Dr Foster rightly pointed out that there were some pretty scary ones nearer the surface but didn't rule out that the Kraken could just not have been discovered yet, somewhere in the deep. There were many other highlights of Ocean Week and hopefully with our sponsored treading of water in the pool we will raise a good sum for our local RNLI.

Sitting writing this, I am looking out on our wonderful strip of ocean, Lyme Bay upon which Teignmouth sits. It is easy to look to the sea and the horizon and wonder what is beyond it, the ocean inviting us into the world. The ocean is a dangerous place as the RNLI can testify but it is also exciting and vital, playing a large part in our outward looking nation's history and even more importantly the health of the planet. It is also possible, looking through my office window, for a boy from the midlands to comprehend that 71% of the surface of our planet is water, with around 97% of that, ocean. Sir David Attenborough recently said "After almost 100 years on the planet, I now understand the most important place on Earth is not on land, but at sea."

Now we planned our Ocean Week without knowing that Sir David was going to launch what he says is one of the most important films of his career, "Ocean", as he enters his hundredth year. We didn't have a royal visit but I am glad that we had an Ocean Week and learned a little more about this amazing environment and how it is the planet's support system and our greatest asset against the many disasters of climate change. Attenborough's film is a warning but it also had a message of hope that if we allow it to, the ocean will recover quickly and benefit those on land, not just those in the water. Attenborough points out that we can make a difference, as when whale populations in many cases fell to near extinction levels but instead of letting that happen, 1986 lawmakers bowed to public pressure and banned commercial whaling worldwide. The whale population has rapidly recovered since then. Education and awareness led to that change in the past, so there is always hope for the biggest environment on the planet because more and more people are concerned about what our species is doing to the ocean.





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Looking Ahead into the Future

Year 12 Careers week

Last week, our year 12 students were able to participate in an amazing careers week ran and organised by Miss Moss. A huge and massively important week for our future year 13's; it's also the first time that Trinity have had a careers week, so a huge thank you goes out to Miss Moss for championing the career's week and giving the year 12s this exciting opportunity.

Monday saw talks from Exeter University about the UCAS application process to student finance. They also had fascinating talks about student life and career opportunities from the NHS, and hospitality leaders Glion and Les Roches.

On Tuesday the year 12s visited Marjon University for workshops ranging from journalism and sport to criminology and education. With more talks on their personal statements and UCAS they certainly aren't short on advice.

On the programme, they visited University Centre South Devon where they had masterclass talks in sport and health on the Wednesday. Following that, on the Thursday, they had a chance to start their statements and sit down and discuss their future ambitions. A chance to also slow down from the packed week they've had.

The Army recruiting office visited on the Friday to host a whole range of command tasks and team building events as well as a career in the Armed forces. This wasn't just a recruitment day however; it was to gain insight into their ethos, to gain personal development and to inspire the future generation to a wider range of careers. *(on the right are some of those command tasks and team building activities)* A huge thank you, again, to Miss Moss for all her hard work that's gone into the planning and preparation of last week.



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Tales from T2... ...A fond farewell

"History is who we are and why we are the way we are"

-David McCullough.

This week marked the end of the learning journey for Samuel, Zach and Matthew as they sat their final A Level History paper- 'The Cold War in Europe 1941-1995' During their time at school they have been great ambassadors for the subject, with a combined total of 20 years of study in T2 and the online 'Temporary T2'. It has been both a pleasure and privilege to have taught them, and we wish them all the very best in their future learning.

In the words of Frank Sinatra " The best is yet to come..."

Mrs E.



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Sporting at Trinity

Trinity 9 - 4 St John's

A thrilling game that saw Mason Wesley score a hat-trick. Trinity burst out of the blocks going ahead early on. Mason lead the line providing Trinity with the first goal. The goals didn't stop and by half time the score was 8-2. Going into the second half it was St John's who were on top, they made their pressure count by adding 2 goals and only conceding 1.

Luscombe House took the victory over Ugbrooke and Powderham Houses at the Junior interhouse swimming gala. Luscombe swimmers totalled a whopping 66 points for the house. A great effort by all swimmers and a massive pat on the back for those who gave the event their all. True Trinity spirit!





Dates for your diaries...

- June 14th - Devon Schools Athletics, Josh Smith to represent and race
- June 18th - Senior Fishing competition vs TCS
- June 17th - Year 10 Parents evening
- June 19th - Sports day (*time to bring the heat*)
- June 19th - Year 12 Parents evening
- June 20th - U12 Stover bowl. 7-a-side Softball and hardball
- June 25th - Art showcase
- June 26th - Leaver's Ball at the Humber Barn

Where We Stand Before Sports Day...

After a gruelling year of interhouse rivalries, we're finally rounding the corner to the big one; Sports day! On the 19th we'll finally tally up the points and crown the winners of this years House competition. A final swell of energy and an indomitable spirit will be needed to push each house over the finish line in what can only be described as a close battle for 1st place so far.

So what are the results so far...?

1st - Luscombe - 36 Points

2nd - Ugbrooke - 34 Points

3rd - Powderham - 22 Points

A close competition between 1st and 2nd But who will take home the victory?





HOUSE POINTS UPDATE

1st – Luscombe – 5161 Points

2nd – Powderham – 5047 Points

3rd – Ugbrooke – 4885 Points

Student Leaderboard

1st – Shakira May - 291 points

2nd – Alice Lovett - 244 points

3rd – Jayden Kirungi - 236 points

4th – Libbet Marshall - 222 points

5th – Lana Magill - 219 points

Top Housepoint Earners this Week

1st – Blake Hawkins - 11 points

1st – Lowenna Lewis - 11 points

1st – Noah Smith - 11 points

Tied 1st place this week...

‘The beautiful thing about learning, is that no one can take it away from you’

Editor’s QotW

This week, we take our QOTW from the world of blues music; more specifically B.B. King. But why? I’ve always had a skewed understanding of the word ‘Learning’ and for me, this quote helps to break down the dense meaning of ‘learning’. Learning is so vast and different from one person to the next. One student may want to learn about art and another may want to learn about a trade. They’re so different from each other, but because learning is so unique and personal, no one can take it away from you. I feel ‘Learning’ has this connotation with schools, colleges and universities, and it does, rightly so; but for me this quote breaks down those boundaries because no one can take it from you. They can give you the ability to learn, but they can never take it away. So, keep learning no matter what it is. Explore the journey of learning, as I’m still doing.





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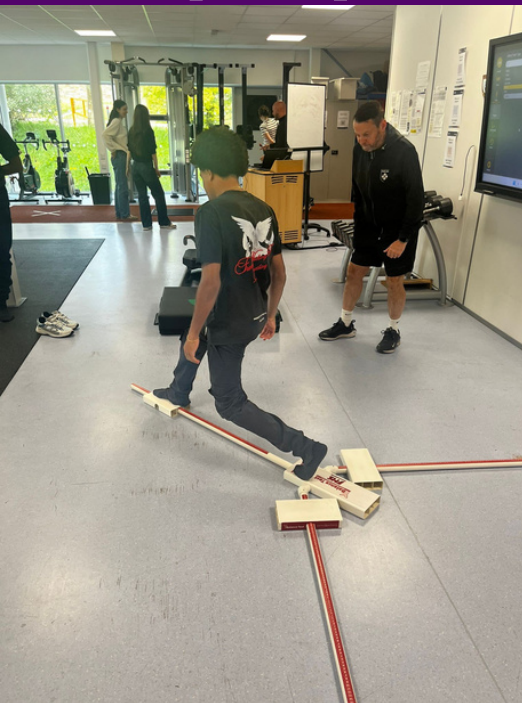
13th of June Commendations

- Celia Bennett
- Nova Jeffery
- Willow Jeffery
- Libbet Marshall
- Shakira May
- Felix Balfour-Paul
- Alice Lovett
- Gemma Newton
- Matthew Norrish-Jones
- Elliot Starr
- Boe Taylor
- George Tucker
- Oliver Cafaro

Headmaster's Commendations

- Nova Jeffery
- Willow Jeffery
- Matthew Norrish-Jones

Keep up all the hard work...



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ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY... THE 13TH OF JUNE

In 1373 the world's oldest treaty still in existence signed:
The Anglo Portuguese Treaty...

In 1381 the rebels entered London during the Peasants'
Revolt...

In 1837 the first Mormons left the USA for England...

In 1922 the longest recorded attack of hiccups began
and lasted 68 years!...

In 1942 the first V-2 rocket was launched...

In 1964 a world record for the marathon was set for 2
hours 13 minutes and 55 seconds...

In 1980 the UN Security Council called for Nelson
Mandela to be released...

In 1989 the 16th James Bond film "Licence to Kill"
premiered in London...

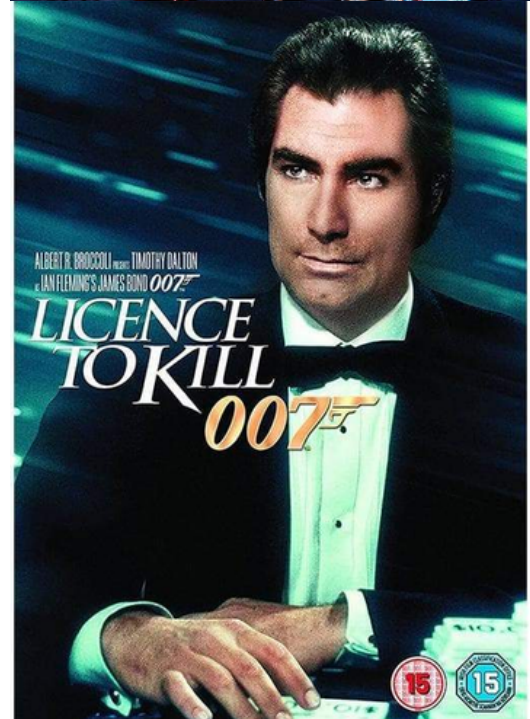
In 2000 the first ever inter-Korean Summit took place
between leaders of North and South Korea...

In 2007 to celebrate Frida Kahlo's birth in 1907 the first
large scale exhibition of her work was held in Mexico...

In 2008 Coldplay released the iconic "Viva last Vida"...

In 2021 the G7 Summit ended in Cornwall and
President Biden had tea with Queen Elizabeth...

Happy Friday the 13th!..... (*dun, dun, duuuun...*)



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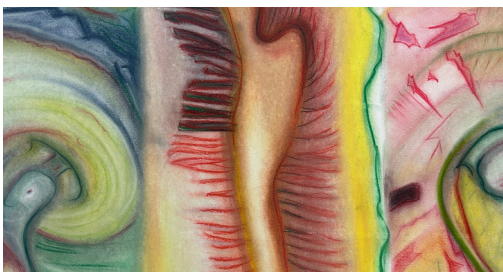
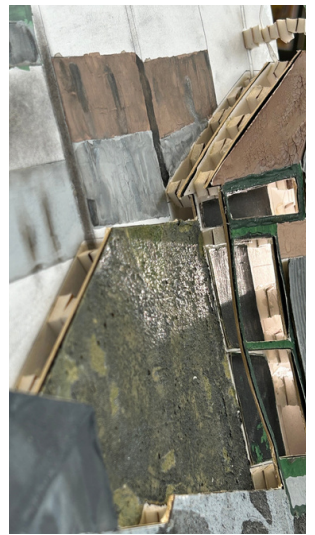


ART AND DESIGN

SUMMER SHOW

25TH JUNE
5-7pm

**A SHOWCASE OF YEAR 11 AND
YEAR 13 GCSE AND A-LEVEL
WORK IN ART STUDIO**
ALL PARENTS, STUDENTS AND
ALL STAFF ARE INVITED



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Club website: <https://teigncanoe.org.uk/>

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escape and a much-needed screen break!**

...succeed

**Research has shown that reading for pleasure
helps to improve life-chances**



...connect

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reach goals, whether in school or at home**

...help others

**Reading and raising money to buy books
for children in hospital feels great!**



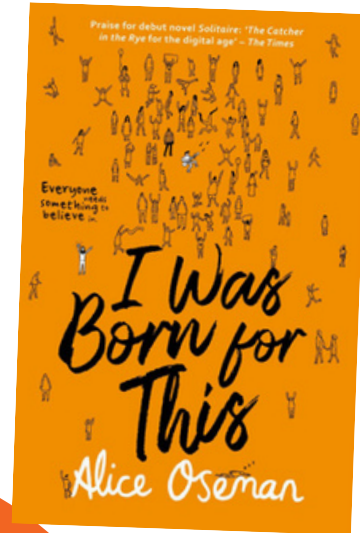
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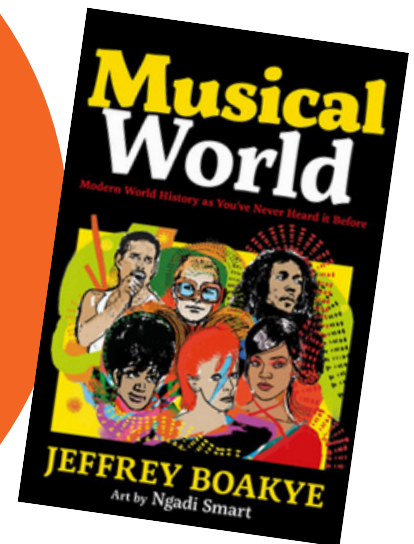
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Nicola Collison

PG Dip in Play Therapy & Credited Counsellor (NCPS)

Talking and Creative therapy

IT'S OKAY TO ASK FOR HELP

I will have a room set up in school so children and young people can choose, with my guidance, how they want to use the sessions.

Hi there, my name is Nicola Collison. I am a qualified counsellor accredited by the NCPS (National Counselling and Psychotherapy Society) and have a Post-Graduate Diploma in Play Therapy. Before that, I was a Primary School Teacher for over 20 years.



No thought or feeling is ever too small or insignificant to explore

“Young people’s lives are so busy and full of pressures that they are having to deal with daily. The need for a safe space where they can be themselves and learn to understand feelings that arise has become ever more important.”

I have worked with children and young people with a variety of needs. Amongst these are bereavement, anxiety, self-esteem, gender, trichotillomania, addictive tendencies, self-harm, eating difficulties, emotional and behavioural difficulties, children with A.D.H.D. and autism. I work primarily in a person-centred way, but depending on how the person I am working with wants to progress, we can dip into different ways of working together either creative or Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT). This will very much allow them to lead the session and me to be there to listen- we can explore together.

Please do get in touch: nccounselling7@gmail.com

Careers education learning journey (11 - 18)

