



SPOTLIGHT

Parents' Information Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

As you know, Poltair has been enjoying further improvements since its glowing Ofsted Inspection last June and this summer we look forward to our best GCSE results ever. The new £5million building programme begins this summer and our pupils will return in September wearing the new Poltair School uniform. These are the visible signs of the new and emerging Poltair.

Now that the school is poised for the next exciting phase of school improvement, this is an appropriate time for me to hand over the reins to a new headteacher. I have been given the opportunity to take up a post in Hampshire and will therefore leave Poltair at the end of this academic year.

In the meantime, it will be 'business as usual' with the same high expectations of all in the school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in all that the school has achieved in the last three years.

Best wishes for a good Easter break, pupils return to school on Monday 16th April.

FAREWELL

Today we say goodbye to Ms Kaloudis who has taught at Poltair for a number of years. She leaves us to live in France but will also be spending time on her home island of Corfu.

Ms Kaloudis will be missed by her colleagues, friends and pupils at Poltair and I am sure you will want to join us in wishing her the very best of luck in all she does.

Mrs Warwick will be the new form tutor for 7SK and is very much looking forward to her new role.

CRICKET COACHING SESSIONS

Roche Cricket Club Youth teams' practice sessions start on Monday 2nd April, 6.00pm until approx. 7.30pm (depending on light), at the club. We are running under 11 and under 13 teams this season. If any boys or girls between the ages of eight and thirteen (or girls up to the age of fifteen) would like to come along they would be very welcome.

For more information contact Paul Trethewey on 01726 890084 or Daniel Best on 01726 821571. Admission £1.

KEY STAGE 3 SATs

Study support online:

www.samlearning.com login: **PL25PC**
password: **date of birth and initials of forename and surname**
eg 110884BB

Provides revision sheets and full exam practice – 10 hours target time

www.mymaths.co.uk login: **Poltair** password: **first**
Fun activities particularly for Year 9 but also useful for Years 7 and 8

www.amazinggrades.co.uk www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

GCSE

Study support online (as in KS3 same addresses but more resources available)

www.s-cool.co.uk
Subject based options, particularly good for revision ideas

Enter 'GCSE Revision' in Google, click 'search'. This will give you an extensive number of specific websites.

www.gcsepodcast.com (WEBSITE OF THE MONTH)

All Year 11's should aim to use Samlearning for at least 10 hours before the exam season.

Study support in school:

Revision evenings:-

KS3

Wednesdays Maths
Thursdays English

GCSE

Tuesdays Maths
Wednesdays English
Thursdays Science and Option Subjects
Fridays GCSE PE
(Discuss with subject teachers for other available evenings)

Reminder: Year 11 pupils do not leave Poltair until **30th June**. This is a statutory requirement.

**St Austell Grammar Schools
& Poltair School**
1907 ~ 2007
CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS
**Saturday 30th
June 2007**

**Grand Reunion
&
Celebration**
at
The Eden Project
6.30 ~ 11.30pm
£5 Adults • £2 Children
Under 4's Free • Family Ticket £15
(2 adults and up to 3 children)
16 years and under MUST be
accompanied by an adult

- Entertainment from school groups in the biomes
- Superb choice of food available
- Wheelchairs available

11.00am - Service at St John's Church
Led by former pupils, with members of 4 local choirs

10.00am ~ 4.00pm - Guided tours of Poltair School
with an exhibition of memorabilia

Proceeds in aid of school fund for disadvantaged children

Tickets available from 18/9/06: Centenary Committee,
Poltair School, Trewarthian Road, St Austell, PL25 4BZ
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