

# SPOTLIGHT



Issue 10  
Autumn Term 2008

Parents' Information Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

We are looking forward to the next busy few weeks of term in the build up to Christmas. Events will include our GCSE Certificate Evening when we welcome back last year's leavers to collect their certificates and to celebrate their successes. For current pupils and parents there are important opportunities to discuss and review progress. On Monday 24 November 2008, year 7 and 8 parents will be able to hear about our new OWN LEARNING work which encourages independence and resilience in our younger learners (details have been sent separately). Pupils in all year groups and their parents will be able to attend a Target Setting meeting with tutors on Tuesday 16 December 2008. Please make a note of this date in your diary and details will follow shortly.

It is my intention to write to a cross section of parents in the near future asking you for feedback on how **you** think your child is progressing at Poltair. We are always keen to receive information from you the "customers" about your child's learning experience so that we can take account of everyone's point of view in our school improvement planning process.

I wish you a happy and relaxing weekend.

*Stephen Tong*

## **IMPORTANT DATES:-**

### **Monday 24th November**

Own Learning Parents' Information Evening  
For Parents of Years 7 & 8 pupils in the Dining Hall  
6.30 – 7.30 pm

### **Thursday 27th November**

Aim Higher Roadshow – Raising Aspirations  
A taster day for Year 9 pupils about life at University

## **Trampolining Club**

Today was the last day for the morning Trampolining Club. It will restart again after the February Half Term, week commencing 23rd February 2009.

Please note that the weekly Spotlight and any archived Spotlights, together with news items, are available to view or download from the school website [www.poltairschool.co.uk](http://www.poltairschool.co.uk)

*Leanne*

YEAR 7 STUDENT  
OF THE WEEK

An excellent example of a pupil putting  
the Five P's into action.



*Maddison* &  
*Pamela*

YEAR 8 JOINT STUDENTS  
OF THE WEEK

For planning and carrying out their own  
fund raising idea for Children in Need.



*Jamie*

YEAR 9 STUDENT  
OF THE WEEK

For progress in Maths.



### School Emergency Closure Procedures

Recently the County have revised their procedures for Emergency School Closure Procedures. As a part of this the school has to publish the steps we will take if we need to close the school at short notice (as we had to do in 2005 because of snow).

#### 1. Closure BEFORE the school day starts

Announcements will be made on Radio Cornwall on a regular basis throughout the morning.

A message will be posted on the school's web site detailing the closure and planned reopening.

#### 2. Closure during the school day

Once the decision has been made and approved by County, the pupils will be moved to their tutor bases. Here they will be supervised in making phone calls to parents/carers to get permission to leave the school site if they are able to make their own way home. Permission can be given by parents for pupils to go to other relatives or friends if it is not possible for them to return home.

Pupils who travel by school bus will be guided onto buses, after permission has been sought for them to leave, and the bus will drop them at the usual drop off points. From there the pupils will make their own way home as they would on a normal day.

If the conditions do not allow the buses to run the pupils will be kept at the school until alternative arrangements can be made by their parents or carers to get them home.

If it has not been possible to contact a parent/carer the pupil will be kept at school until the parent/carer contacts the school to make arrangements for their child to return home or to another place of safety.

The school will be manned by senior staff until the last pupil has been collected.

2008  
Advice Session Date

Thursday 27th November  
5:00pm – 8:00pm

The sessions are being held at the Camborne, St Austell,  
Saltash and Newquay campuses.



Year 10 and Year 11 pupils who are considering going to College post 16 are encouraged to go and talk to college staff about their choices.

Fun, fun, fun, fun, fun, fun,  
fun and oh yeah I forgot,  
FUN!!!!!!

Peter, Falmouth

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The  
Bishop's  
Forum



Christmas Holiday Activities at Goodygrane, Halvasso, Penryn

9.30am - 4.00pm, 7 years upwards

Come and join us for some fun!  
We have Multi Activity Days  
(problem solving activities, archery, climbing,  
canoeing, and orienteering)

for only £24.00

Taking place on  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2008

Contact us for a booking form on: 01326 340912 or [debbie@bishopsforum.org](mailto:debbie@bishopsforum.org)



# ONE CORNWALL? What's That?

Have questions answered and  
give your opinions. Lunch will  
be provided.

**Mid Cornwall** Saturday 28th November  
Burrows Centre, St. Plazey 1030 - 1330

**East Cornwall** Saturday 8th December  
Liskeard Public Halls, Liskeard 1030-1330

**West Cornwall** Saturday 13th December  
Helston Youth Centre, Helston 1030-1330

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ONECORNWALL

November 2013

## One Cornwall? What's That?

Hello!

We are young people working with the One Cornwall team to make sure children and young people know about the new council that's being established in Cornwall and what it will mean to them.

We are running three days for young people 13 - 19 to come along and have their voice heard. We'll be talking about, in a fun and creative way, young people having access to services and also how young people can have a real and meaningful voice in decisions that the council and other key organisations (such as the police and health) will make that affect their lives.

If you're a young person yourself then we look forward to seeing you and if you're an adult working with young people then please let them know about these days.

The important things to know - lunch will be provided and if you have any issues in getting to the venues we can help.

If you'd like to attend or know of anyone please contact Magi Orlia Coad on 01872 324135 or [ccrelgroup@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:ccrelgroup@cornwall.gov.uk)

Best wishes,

The Organising Group

