



SPOTLIGHT



Parents' Information Newsletter

Issue 8
Spring Term 2012

DATES FOR DIARY

Tuesday 27 March Year 9 Cornwall College Experience Day
(Parental consent forms must be returned)

Tuesday 27 – Thursday 29 March History Battlefields Trip

Friday 30 March Last day of term – school closes at 1.00 pm
(buses leave at 1.15 pm)

STOP PRESS!

BBC News School Report Day on Thursday 15 March

Year 8 G & T English pupils will be interviewed on The David White Show, BBC Radio Cornwall between 11 am and 12 noon.

Humanities House Quiz Evening results (Wednesday 29 February)

A special thank you to Miss Venn for organising this fun House Competition.

Tregrehan 1st place (250 vivos each) Stephen Fage, Michael Buchan, Owain Canniff, Maggie Vague, (Maureen Buta), Mr Mack, Mrs Gaukroger

Treverbryn 2nd place (150 vivos each) Casey Job, Courtney Tregilgas, Dani Hamilton, Sophie Hollins, Miss White, Mrs Haley

Trenance 3rd place (50 vivos each) Stacie Marks, Maria Brett, Harry Eade, Erin Licursi, Mr Richardson

Ten Tors Perranporth Sand Dune Training

Monday 20 February took the team to a different training ground for some endurance training in the sand dunes. A full 'scrutineering' kit check was followed by full team kit being hauled up and down the sand dunes. On return to the beach, participants challenged themselves with the chocolate éclair hunt in a bid to complete the 100m square using a compass. A briefing was given on using the F1 Lite Stoves and teams worked together to cook their 'boil in the bag'. As Abby and Amber said "It was a challenging and enjoyable day!"

Ten Tors 'Mini Mega Mock' Walk 5-6

(Saturday 25 - Sunday 26 February)

A tough weekend on the hill and the teams felt the burn over half way through their training programme. The 35 mile team had a particularly tough start to the weekend with strong lessons learnt regarding navigation and the position of the remainder of the team when navigating. The time at camp on Saturday was heading in the right direction and a shock to the system when rising at 4.00 am on Sunday morning! The 45 mile team had a sound performance over the weekend and next time out on the hill will be heading for a faster walking time. The weekend was a combination of all weathers and challenges – until the next time!

IMPORTANT DATES:-

Sunday 11 March Ten Tors Walk 7

Sunday 25 March Ten Tors Walk 8

Sunday 22 April Ten Tors Chagford Challenge

Miss Blackburn Outdoor Learning Co-ordinator



Using the F1 Lite stoves on Perranporth beach

Spotlight on MFL

Italian Trip 2012

Report from James Price 11JC

Wednesday: We left Penrice at 6.30 am and drove to Bristol airport and we flew in the afternoon landing at Fiumicino before taking a bus to Termini (the main train and bus station in Rome). On arrival at our hotel we dropped off our luggage and then enjoyed a meal at a small local restaurant.

Thursday: We went to a local market and shopped for food and then walked to a small cinema where we watched a short introduction to the history of Rome. We then went on to Capitoline Hill and visited some of the government buildings, and other local landmarks. We then walked to the Villa Borghese and visited the art gallery within the grounds.

Friday: We took the bus to Vatican city and we visited Piazza San Pietro (St Peter's Square) and we walked round Basilica Papale di San Pietro in Vaticano (St Peter's Basilica). We then walked down to the Castello di Angelo and crossed the Tiber river. We walked to the Piazza di Spagna and window-shopped.

Saturday: We went to a local Farmers market and bought food and local specialities before starting our return journey home.

I have been fortunate enough to be able to study GCSE Italian at Penrice for the last 2 years and I'm enjoying it very much. I plan to continue studying Italian at College.



G & T Enrichment Session open to all 'videos, quiz and food tasting'

- Wednesday 14 March with Miss Obet.
- In E4
- To confirm attendance please see Miss Venn.



TOP TEN

April O'Neil

- 1) **What exactly do you do at Poltair?** I am a new student in Year 11 and will be doing GCSEs in Spanish, Maths, English, Science and Functional Skills.
- 2) **What is your favourite meal?** I love curry.
- 3) **If you didn't work in a school what would you be?** I would love to be a forensic scientist or the Queen!
- 4) **Who is your hero?** Luther Vandross.
- 5) **Who is your favourite singer/band?** Luther Vandross (come and ask me why)!
- 6) **What is your favourite book?** I love stories by Enid Blyton.
- 7) **Name one thing that perhaps people don't know about you?** I speak fluent Spanish and I lived in Spain for four and a half years.
- 8) **What do you enjoy most about Poltair?** I enjoy the friendly atmosphere.
- 9) **What do you treasure most?** My ring from my Nanna.
- 10) **What one thing would you change in the world today?** Stop all wars.



**Charity Zumba Party on Tuesday 13 March
7.30 to 8.30 pm in the Main Hall**

Zumba is a Latin-inspired dance fitness class, using international music, rhythms and dances, for example Salsa, Merengue, Calypso, Cha Cha and many more. It is a cardio workout so you will need to wear fitness clothing and appropriate shoes.

The session will cost £4 (cash) per person, please just turn up on the night. If you have any questions then do not hesitate to contact Clare (Zumba Instructor) on 07739 468142

All the money raised from the event will be donated to 'Bosom Buddies UK' Breast Cancer Charity. So "Join the Party" and have some fun whilst supporting this charity.



Duchy Ballet

Thursday 22 to Saturday 24 March 2012
present Giselle and Jubilation at the Hall for Cornwall.

Jules Perrot's spectacular ballet, Giselle was first produced in 1841, it remains one of the most popular and romantic ballets ever performed. Young, beautiful Giselle is transported to another world where she dances until dawn in order to save her beloved Albrecht.

Duchy Ballet is also celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with a new and evocative series of dances performed to the glorious songs and melodies from the early 1950s with some surprises along the way!

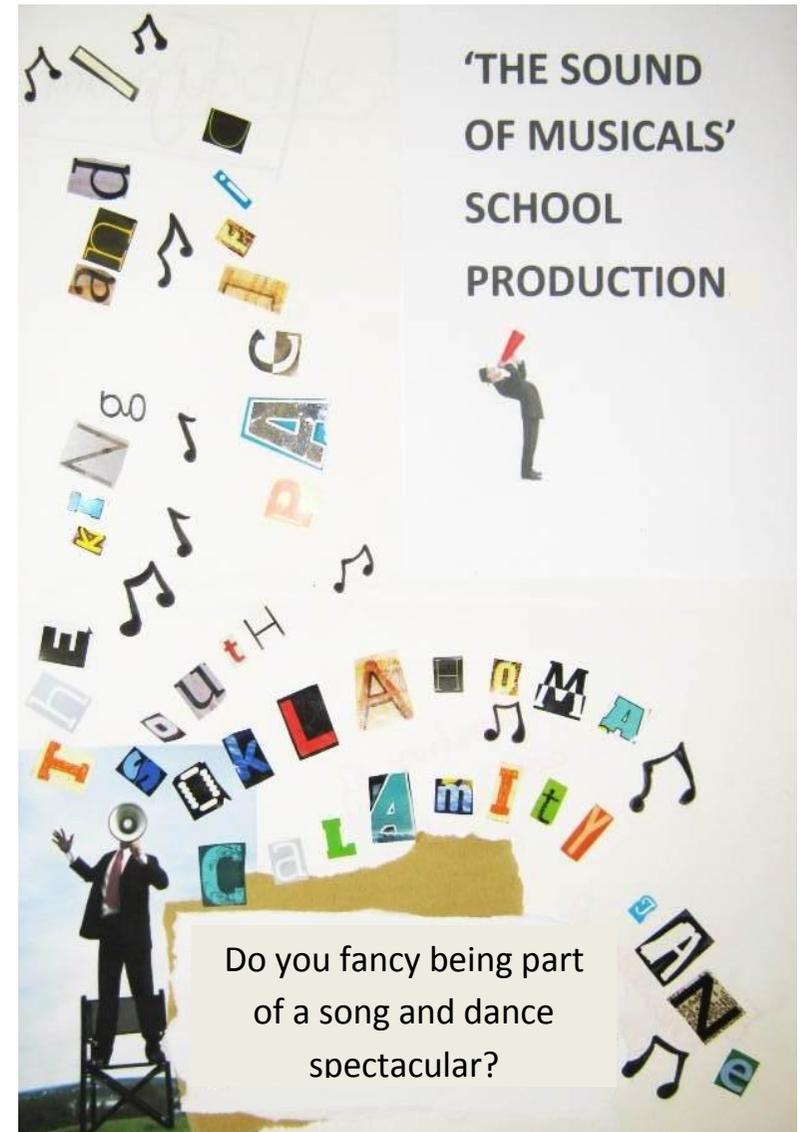
Combining professional artists with young Cornish talent, the Company returns with another spectacular series of performances. With a full cast of outstanding dancers, a beautiful musical score and dazzling costume design, this is sure to be an evening of romance and splendour.

Tickets are available now from the Hall for Cornwall:-

- £15, £17.50
- Children £13.50
- Family Pack £55

GOOD LUCK

to Laura Cutlan a Year 8 pupil who is dancing in the production!



**If so, please attend the meeting on
Tuesday 13 March at first break in T11.**

**The production is open to all students in
Years 7, 8, 9 and 10**

