



SPOTLIGHT



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Week ending 29 November 2013

Parents' Information Newsletter



County Badminton

We have all known Charlotte Grigg has great sporting ability, representing the school at many different sports including football, netball and cricket but this year Charlotte has been playing for the Cornwall County Badminton U15 Team.

Charlotte has represented the U15 team in singles, doubles and mixed doubles already showing her versatility. On her debut Charlotte put out an impressive display but was unable to overcome a very strong Dorset Team losing 26 matches to 10 matches on the 27 October.

On the 3 November the U15 Cornwall squad played Herefordshire away, Charlotte was picked alongside Mr Watkinson's daughter. This was a close match with Charlotte and Cornwall the eventual winners at 13-7. Charlotte and her doubles partner beat Herefordshire's top ranked players to clinch the victory for Cornwall.

Last weekend Charlotte represented the U15's again against Wiltshire away.

On behalf of the Poltair PE Team well done Charlotte for this great achievement.



UPDATE

Nathan Armitage (7KH) has become the first Word Millionaire this school year. He has read 1,021,127 words. Well done Nathan. He will have his name on the 'Wall of Fame' in the library and join others on the top of the word thermometer in the Accelerated Reader room.

The second person on the list at the moment has read over 500,000 words and will hopefully soon be joining Nathan.
Mrs Hancock Librarian

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 3 December

Curriculum Enrichment Day
'NSPCC Numeracy Day'
Pearl of Africa Choir visit and concert 7pm

Monday 9 December

Year 11 Parents' Evening 3.45 - 6.15 pm

Tuesday 17 December

Cinema Rewards Trip

Friday 20 December

Celebration Assembly
Santa Run
School closes at 1.00 pm

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

Thursday 21 November - Visiting Theatre group

We were very pleased to be able to invite into school a theatre in education group, Collingwood Learning, to work with our Year 8 students on the important topic of road safety.

The actors; Rusty, Becky and Cameron worked hard to play a variety of roles and create some engaging scenes for us. After a lively and exciting drama the students were asked to direct a 'second take' of some vital scenes with a view to changing the tragic outcomes. We are sure that some very important lessons were learned.



The students said,

"It was cool."

"It really showed that if you are not careful you could be hurt."

"It made me think about being a passenger and that it can be dangerous to distract the driver."

"It was quite scary to realise how easily and quickly accidents can happen."

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Chris Simes, the manager of Collingwood Learning said, "We were delighted to come to Poltair School and work with the students on this vital topic. The students were really responsive and took on board some vital road safety messages for both pedestrians and car passengers."

**The Poppy Appeal collection
in school has raised £122.96**



**PEARL OF AFRICA
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**The Pearl of Africa
Children's Choir
Tour 2013**

*A joyful and uplifting show of songs and
dance brought to you by children from
schools and orphanages in Uganda.
Not to be missed!*

Photography - Jan Rowley

Parents' Forum

5 December 2013

Poltair School will be hosting its first Parents' Forum on 5 December at 5pm.

The purpose of the Forum is to improve Poltair School and advance the education of the pupils by providing a meeting ground for all parents and carers to share with school leaders, their current perception of the school, and how it can improve.

The first meeting will focus on 'home-school communication', what works, and how we can improve. The meeting will be in the school library at 5pm, refreshments will be provided.

If you would like more information please contact Ross Mack, Assistant Headteacher Pupils' Communities.

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Your local concert details:-

**Experience the Music and Dance of Africa at
MAIN HALL, POLTAIR SCHOOL**

Trevarthian Road, St Austell PL25 4BZ

Tuesday 3rd DECEMBER 2013 7pm - 9pm

**Entrance Free - Donations invited
Craft Stall - Refreshments available**

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