

# Weekly Bulletin

February 2019: Edition 2



**Next Drop-In Session: 25th February** 

12:45pm in the School Library

## Young Carers Awareness Day 31.01.19

Some of our Young Carers hosted a quiz during last Thursday's lunch break to raise awareness among the Poltair community.

Lots of students participated and learned a little more about what being a Young Carer is all about.

Well done to them!



#### Calendar Dates



#### February 11th

Years 7&8 Parents with Tutors Evening

#### February 14th

Year 10 - St Austell College Taster Day

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Year 7&8 Parents with Tutors Evening

#### February 15th/16th

Art/Photography London Trip

February 18th - 22nd Half Term



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Mr Adams will be hosting...
A Question of Sport

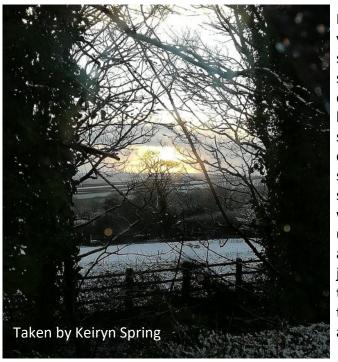


Thursday 28th Feb 6pm - 7pm

Every family that enters **must** have a member of staff on their team. Any questions please see Mr Adams or email: <a href="mailto:ladams@poltair.Cornwall.sch.uk">ladams@poltair.Cornwall.sch.uk</a>

Entry slips to be returned to Mr Adams in the PE office by Friday 15th February

### Snow Day Disruption



Last Friday we found ourselves in a very similar situation to last year. Adverse weather conditions caused us (and numerous schools across the South West) to have to close our doors to staff and pupils for the day (Friday 1st February). On the previous day, as the school bell rang to signal the end of school, the rain had turned quickly to snow! As always, here at Poltair School the safety of our students was our primary concern. All after school clubs/revision classes were quickly cancelled to ensure all students were off the site and en-route home as swiftly and safely as possible, with staff communicating with parents/carers where necessary. For many students and staff alike, this unexpected change in weather made journeys home difficult and in some cases, near impossible! These tales of difficult journeys included school buses having long delays in reaching their destinations and our staff making every attempt to contact the relevant bus companies to establish what was happening in an endeavour to keep parents informed where possible.

Cornwall Council School Transport, and the bus companies contracted by them to deliver this service, worked hard to get pupils home in these difficult conditions. In some cases this was not possible.

We communicate with both School Transport and the bus companies to support their management of transport in difficult situations. However, it is worth being aware that in the aftermath of days like these, any queries or concerns around the delivery of the service should be directed to Cornwall Council School Transport in the first instance.





One success story that you may like to know:

One of our students found herself stranded at school. This particular student usually travels home, to the Bodmin area, by taxi.

Two of our members of staff selflessly embarked on a 4 hour round trip in a 4X4 to get that student home safely.

A big well done and thank you to them!

Thank you to all Poltair students and staff for managing the events with good spirits and resilience.