



The Cornwall Independent School

Friday 5th December 2025

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Christmas Lunch

Christmas arrived in school this week with decorations around school and our Christmas lunch on Wednesday. We were especially lucky this year that Mrs Burrows returned and volunteered to help us. A special thank you to Miss Jones and Mrs Burrows who decorated the Hall beautifully and made lunch a special occasion for all pupils and teachers. I would also like to thank Julie and all her staff at Penpol for preparing our Christmas lunch and all the team here who helped to ensure the lunch went so smoothly.

Christmas Decoration Raffle

Raffle tickets for the Christmas decorations, which are displayed in the hallway outside the office, are on sale in the office for 50p or £2 for a strip of 5. Thank you to everyone who has been busy making decorations- your contributions are much appreciated. All proceeds will go to The Save the Children Christmas Jumper Appeal. The raffle will be drawn at 2pm on the last day of term.

Staff Absence

Mrs Thomas will be absent next week and for a couple of weeks in January for a planned operation. We send our best wishes for a speedy recovery and look forward to having her back in school very soon. Mrs de Labat will be covering secondary English lessons in Mrs Thomas' absence.

Christmas Plays

Thank you to all parents who have provided items for costumes and for learning lines with your children. We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone at our Christmas performances next week and sharing the joy of Christmas with you all. Mr Reynolds has agreed to allow parking at Paradise Park for parents who are attending performances. Parking is available from 1.30pm and 5.30pm on Tuesday 9th December. Parents can take their children straight home after the afternoon performance. We would like them to return to school between 5.40 and 5.50pm to allow them time to get into costume before the 6.00pm performance.

Christmas Jumper Day

We will be showing our support for Save the Children by wearing Christmas Jumpers on Friday 12th December at a cost of £1. The jumper should replace the school jumper and all pupils should wear school uniform as there will be no PE on the last day of term.

Clubs/Seahorses

There are no clubs next week with the exception of separate Sciences for Year 11 after school on Monday. Seahorses will take place on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday but not on Tuesday due to this year's Christmas Play.

School Council

We held this term's School Council meeting this week with some good ideas shared by School Council reps.

Special Awards

Star of the week

Reception & Year 1 – Olivia

For great swimming today.

Year 2 & 3 – Charlotte

For perseverance in Maths even when she found the topic challenging.

Year 4 & 5 – Zachary

For great acting in the play and being polite and helpful in class.

Year 6 – Gia

For great Maths this week.

House Points

Pendeen 616

Godrevy 570

Trevose 559

Secondary Celebrations

English – Jessica (Year 8)

For her well researched homework on “Penny Dreadful.”

Maths –Coby (Year 10)

For maintaining good focus and working hard on simultaneous equations.

Science – Gareth and Betty (Years 8 and 7)

For being enthusiastic and inquisitive science clubbers this term.

History - Lylie (Year 9)

For excellent progress this term.

Art – Sonny (Year 10)

For excellent reflecting on his work and using this to improve.

Computer Science– William (Year 8)

For showing focus and creativity in producing an impressive vector graphics illustration of a Land Rover character that looked truly professional.

French – Maddie (Year 9)

For challenging herself and always working to a high standard.

PE- Will (Year 7)

For being a wonderful team player in our swimming team challenges today.

Carol Singing

Pupils from Years 2 – 6 will be visiting The Downes and The Beeches Care Homes next week to sing carols to the residents which I know will provide great joy in this festive season. Please could any remaining consent forms be returned to school by Monday 8th December to enable all pupils to participate.

End of Term

Term finishes at 2pm on Friday 12th December. We hope you will join us for our raffle and some Christmas Carols in the playground at this time.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend taking a well deserved rest or preparing for Christmas.

Best Wishes

Miss Adams

SPACE

Please see the attached leaflet from the Mental Health team who are running courses to Support Parents And Children Emotionally. These courses will take place in 2026 and are especially focused on children aged from 5-11.

Netball

This week’s Netball League match was postponed. It has been rescheduled for next Wednesday 10th December and Miss Chapman has sent updated letters to those students who will be taking part.

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