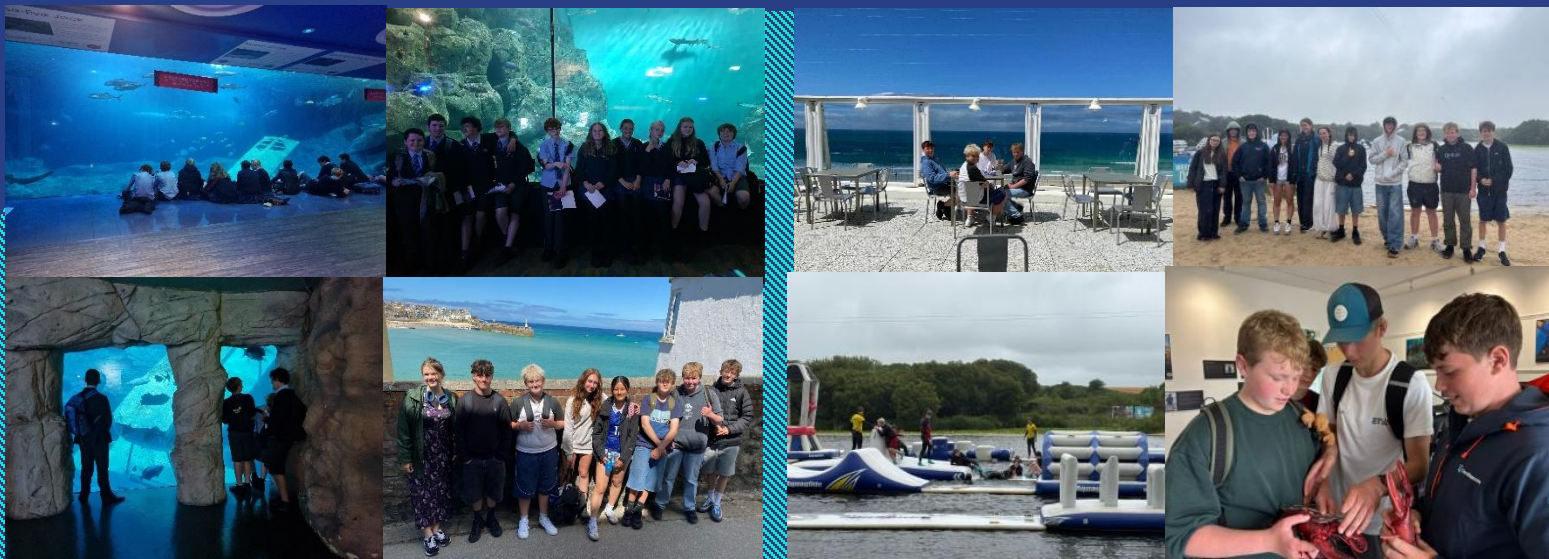




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National Marine Aquarium – Plymouth

Year 8 had a wonderful time at the National Marine Aquarium on Wednesday. They learnt about different species of marine wildlife and had some hands-on experience holding a turtle shell and stroking a baby shark. They considered the impact of climate change on the marine habitat and are now constructing a display in the lab to reflect what they learnt. Thank you to Mr Paffett for accompanying Mrs Wood-Forrester and driving the minibus.

Speech Day

We look forward to welcoming you to our annual Speech Day in the Marquee on Monday at 2pm. We will be joined by the Deputy Mayor of Hayle, Councillor Sarah Ress who will present our prizes this year. Mr Nick Reynolds at Paradise Park has kindly agreed to allow parking from 1.30pm but please do not arrive before this time. After the event we will have a cream tea in the playground. Please email school if you still require tickets. We have a list of attendees so please do not worry that you don't have a physical ticket this year.

Secondary Sports Day

Our Secondary Sports Day will take place at Hayle Football Club on Thursday 9th July. We will transport the pupils to the field in the minibus but, if possible, parents should collect them at 3.15pm from Hayle Football Club, TR27 5HT. We will provide transport for pupils needing to return to school or to the train station at the end of the afternoon.

Geology Trip

Year 9 and 10 have been developing their field skills in geology on the Roseland Peninsula today. They have worked hard to construct graphic logs on the foreshore to capture the sedimentary features present in the outcrops. They have considered health and safety by writing their own risk assessment and have considered the type of environment present at the time of deposition. All of this while enjoying some sunshine at the beach!

Year 9 & 10 Activities Week

Our Years 9 & 10 pupils have been out and about exploring different aspects of what Cornwall has to offer with its wonderful scenery, historical settings, cultural venues and fun leisure facilities. Each day involved a varied programme including cycling the Camel Trail and visiting the National Lobster Hatchery, which has hopefully inspired some budding ecologists, marine biologists or future chefs! The weather was kind for the train trip to St Ives' beaches and town. Then after a Roskilly's ice-cream, we headed to the Barbara Hepworth Garden and Tate Modern. The guided tour was informative and insightful, giving pupils a chance to encounter art of international renown.

Our detective trail around Hayle, took us to some hidden places, giving us historical facts before our afternoon at the Pitch & Putt and a leisurely hike. By far the most popular excursion was to Retallack Aqua Park, which saw our pupils thoroughly embracing the challenge of cold-water swimming with adventurous obstacles and floating inflatables. Finally, the end of the week, saw our future geologists identifying rock formations and discovering the different types of strata from the depths in Cornish soil. Thank you to all the teachers who were involved in this week's activities.

Summer Fair

Wednesday 8th July is our Summer Fair and non-uniform day. The fair will begin at 2pm and therefore there will be no afternoon lessons. Pupils will not be allowed to leave until 3.15pm. Thank you for all the donations so far, any items mentioned in last week's newsletter would still be much appreciated.

Mr Reynolds has kindly agreed to allow parking at Paradise Park from 1.45pm for the summer fair. KS3 pupils will be entertaining us throughout the afternoon with their impressive music skills.

Special Awards

Star of the week

Reception & Year 1- Whole Class

For being amazingly well behaved on their school trip this week.

Year 2 & 3 - Lillian

For hard work and improved focus this week.

Year 4 & 5 – Bodhi

For writing a brilliant 'kenning' poem about himself.

Year 6 - Ellen

For 100% in her end of week maths test.

House Points

Pendeen 566

Godrevy 516

Trevose 525

Secondary Celebrations

Maths – Merryn (Year 7)

For always working hard with great focus.

Year 7 – Will and Betty

For excellent contribution during the Yr 6 into 7 transition day. Well done, you are truly wonderful ambassadors.



Diary Dates for the rest of term:

Monday 6th July – Speech Day 2pm start – arrival from 1.30pm

Tuesday 7th July – Primary Teaching Assistant Interviews

Wednesday 8th July – Summer Fair and Non-Uniform Day 2pm start

Thursday 9th July – Secondary Sports afternoon

Friday 10th July End of Term 2pm Finish

Wednesday 22nd July – Hayle in Bloom Judging

Transition Day

It was lovely to welcome all our new Year 7 students to school on Tuesday. They followed a secondary timetable and had a wonderful day learning about the school routines. We would like to thank Will and Betty for going to talk to the new Year 7s about school life.

Uniform

From September all pupils must be wearing The Cornwall Independent School branded uniform. The transition period is now completed, and St Piran's uniform must not be worn. We will be providing dates for uniform appointments in next week's newsletter.

Cornwall Reading Challenge

This summer libraries across Cornwall are running an independent summer reading challenge in a similar format to usual but with additional prizes throughout and a chance to win a variety of prizes in a draw for all those completing the challenge. The challenge launches on Saturday 11th July – we have attached a flyer for more information. There is an additional chance for the school to win an author's workshop if we are the school with the highest percentage of completed reading challenges.

End of term

Pupils should wear their school PE Kit next Friday as usual because there may be sporting activities in the morning. The term will end at 2pm.

Clubs

There are no after school clubs next week as it is the last week of term and we have a number of events taking place. Seahorses will only be available on Tuesday and Thursday due to Speech Day and the Summer Fair.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes Miss Adams

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