

Combe Pafford School

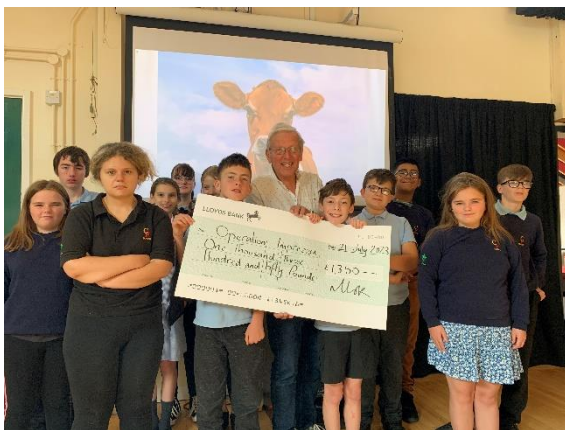
BULLETIN

Summer Term 2023



Headlines

As we approach the end of another busy term, it's a good opportunity to look back and celebrate lots of the opportunities pupils and students have undertaken recently. The newsletter is a good way to do this and I hope you take the time to sit back and enjoy the read! I am extremely grateful to all the staff who work so hard to enrich our curriculum and hopefully ensure that pupils work hard, but also have some fun and enjoy coming to school. There are two items I would specifically like to mention here, they focus on kindness and consideration of others.



The first, is the fundraising that has been going on by pupils across the last two terms, ever since Catherine Omanyo, the Head Teacher from Imprezza Academy, Kenya visited us and spoke in our assembly. The school caters for lots of pupils who cannot afford an education, some are orphans and money, and food are in short supply. As a school we decided to raise the money (£1,350) for a second cow..... I am delighted to say that the Schools Council fund raising day last week enabled us to reach that

target, and Chris Hulme recently came into school to receive a cheque.... Photos of our cow will follow shortly!!

Secondly, we are extremely grateful to Martin Smith, whose grandson attends our school, Martin made us a beneficiary from the recent Charlie's Trophy Golf Day he organised and has donated £7,250 towards a new school minibus and is keen to build on this by meeting with likeminded 'fund-raising' parents, carers and friends in the new term to continue fund raising to enable us to purchase a new bus, further details to follow in the new term.



Have a lovely summer! - Mike Lock

4N – In school residential group

The children who stayed in school on residential week had a fab time doing lots of fun activities! They started the week with a trip to the cooking room to make delicious fruit kebabs, a trip to the hair salon to get their hair washed and styled and then an afternoon of fun on the astro turf! On the Thursday the children enjoyed some gardening and potting, making bird feeders and decorating and making biscuits. We even squeezed in a trip to the park. On Friday we enjoyed some time in the morning relaxing in the classroom, lunch at The Yellow Frog and desecrating biscuits!!!

6P – Trip to Paignton Zoo



On 24th April, 6P were invited to Paignton Zoo to go and see the animals and learn more about evolution.

Whilst visiting the zoo, 6P were fascinated by a lion's skull and an ostrich egg (which was almost the same size as the zoo keepers head!) They also learned that giraffes have evolved to have long necks so that they can reach leaves on the tallest trees. One giraffe's vertebrae is over 10 inches long!

The children were also able to see some of their favourite animals including the new pride of lions, the (rather smelly) gorillas and the giraffes too!



Year 6 Celebration Day

Year 6 had a fantastic day of fun activities to celebrate the end of KS2! The day began by creating a time capsule that will be buried in the school grounds, followed by a special lunch at the Yellow Frog Cafe.



Then onto a fun water fight in the playground, pupils and staff getting soaked! After this, time to change into celebration clothes and some pampering at the salon, ending the day, with parents and carers joining us for a Celebration Assembly. Good luck in Year 7 everyone!

Year 7 Summer 2 – Humanities Trip



At the beginning of Summer 2 Year 7 explored Elberry Cove and Goodrington Sands as a part of our Humanities topic. We were looking at coastlines and exploring the similarities and differences between them. Year 7 really enjoyed making the connection between their learning and their local community! With



some good weather, we enjoyed the sun and recorded features of coastlines at both places, to see which features

both places had, and which features only some had. It was a great day out and an amazing hook into our learning for the rest of the term.

Year 7 Residential

The Year 7's took to the open road for a 6-hour trip to Llain Activity Centre in Wales, for a week of controlled chaos! Here are a few highlights from the week.



Boats & bottle neck dolphins were the first order of the trip! We then smashed a beach hike from New Quay (where we went dolphin spotting) back to camp and felt on top of the world...quite literally! We've got the next class of Ten Tors champions!



Time on water on canoes before our mud run was a damp event and we discovered everyone was much more motivated to get on the water when they realised they could



splash the adults! After that we muddled our way through the mud and had the best time sharing laughs as we tried to not fall over and complete all of the obstacles together.



course. The chants and cheers and bravery from the Year 7's was fantastic to see! Rock (climbing) and rolling our way to the top of the wall.

If you need a recommendation for your next day out, we HIGHLY suggest trying out a ropes



Everyone put on the harness and gave this a go, despite it looking so daunting. The encouragement from others and the determination that these Year 7's showed was second to none!



Disco inferno, we moved and grooved and the adults busted up the dance floor in a way that all year 7's would define as embarrassing. Such a fun way to end our week away together!



Residential: Adults version

Saying it's been a week to remember is the understatement of the year. We've felt so lucky to be a part of this experience with the Year 7 children and they may have been a bit smelly and sleep deprived, but we'd do it all again if we could. A huge thank you to all of the adults who made this trip happen (school staff and Llain staff) and made sure everyone has had a positive experience, many joining in to do things they'd normally never dream of to make it accessible to our Year 7's. Thank you to all of you parents who trusted us with your children for the week to make this happen as well.

7E & 7M's River Trip



On 27th April, 7E and 7M followed the journey of the River Teign from close to its source to its mouth. We went to Haytor on Dartmoor to locate the source. Next, we went to Parke. Here, we noticed how the river had widened, was flowing much faster and had features such as meanders. Then, we stopped at Hackney Marshes. This let us see how the river was much wider, but now flowing slower. Finally, we arrived at Teignmouth Beach to see the river meet the sea. The human impact on the landscape was much different here compared to the source – with houses along the river, boats and people nearby. It was an enjoyable day on our river journey and we got to apply our geography knowledge in the field.



School Council Fundraiser



This year's fundraiser was a little slow to start due to the rain on the Friday. However, we finally managed to get everyone to complete their 15 minute fun run around the school to raise money for a school charity Operation Imprezza. School Council Reps did an amazing job in marshalling the event and cheering the classes around the route.

Thank you to everyone who helped us raise money by bringing in change for the cake sale, fun run, or sponge a teacher! We raised an amazing £1770.00. We would like to say a special well done to Owain Mellings who raised a whopping £207 in sponsorship money.



We hope that this can become an annual event in the coming years as the School Council did a great job from start to finish in organising, leading and raising money.

Lifeskills



During our Lifeskills lessons this term we have been talking about affordable activities that we can do in our spare time and how to make the most of our local area. Class 8S chose to go crabbing at Torquay Harbour. We had a fantastic time throwing the lines in and waiting for a crab to catch on. Unfortunately we didn't manage to get any this time but everybody said they enjoyed themselves and they would definitely give crabbing another go! Perhaps a fun activity for the Summer Holidays!

Mrs Coles



Art – David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation Global Canvas Competition Update!

Back in the Spring Term, Combe Pafford entered Global Canvas children's art competition, an annual international art contest run by David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation (DSWF). KS3 pupils at Combe Pafford entered 'burst of life' that can be seen in the photo below. I am pleased to announce that we came second in the world in our age category! The prize of £200 worth of art vouchers will be put towards some exciting new art resources to be used by the pupils.



Brixham Fish Market



The Sixth Form work skills group were lucky enough to visit one of the main employers in the Torbay Area, Brixham Fish Market. The fish market is the biggest in the whole of England, with £60 million pounds worth of fish being processed and auctioned from the Brixham site. We received a guided tour from Adam and Nick, who told us about the trawlers, jobs on board and in the processing plant. It sounds like really tough work, with boats going to sea for up to a week at a time in all weathers; the workers on-board work shifts 3 hours on/off, 24 hours a day. To get a job on-board you don't need qualifications but do have to do training about working on fishing boats, apprenticeships are a good way to do this; oh and of course you must be hard working, love the sea and not mind the smell of fish!



Charlotte Macintyre - Year 8 Teacher

Animal Care

It's been a busy half term in animal care! Congratulations to the year 11's passing their qualification, to celebrate we did a quiz and for every wrong answer they had to eat some edible bugs (brought already cooked). The pupils enjoyed them so much they even offered them to their favourite staff!



Year 11 enjoyed an action packed day at Paignton Zoo to celebrate the 100 year anniversary and we even got to see the new lions.

Sixth form went to Monkey World in Dorset to look at the difference between sanctuary's and zoos. There were a few cheeky Apes and Primates that were very interested in our pupils!



With the beautiful sunshine the animals have been enjoying time outside including the snakes, watch out for them as you walk by!

The animals are off on their summer holidays with various staff members, so we wish you all a happy summer holidays and look forward to seeing you in September.

Music news Summer term



It's been a busy term in Music lessons and also Music events taking place as part of Arts Week.

Well done to all the pupils taking drumming lessons this term especially for being confident enough to perform in our whole school Arts week launch assembly.

There has been some good progress made – keep drumming!

Sixth Formers took part in a Boomwhacker workshop as part of Arts Week and had a great time.



We had 'Taiko Journey' in to perform in assembly and some pupils took part in a Taiko workshop. "Pupils were really engaged and enjoyed performing on the drums."



Visiting violinist, Tom Deam from Devon and Torbay Music Education Hubs came to visit classrooms and perform at lunchtime for pupils as they ate their lunch.

Our Arts Week finished with a Music festival with a staff band '*Sam and the Swans*' performing a set.



Pupils across the school also created a Music video for Flowers by Miley Cyrus. Each class chose to perform the song in their own way and we put them all together to create a whole school video – well done everyone!

Musicians of the Term:

Mikey Davies 6P for writing a brilliant rap.

Stefan Harris 7E for excellent piano skills.

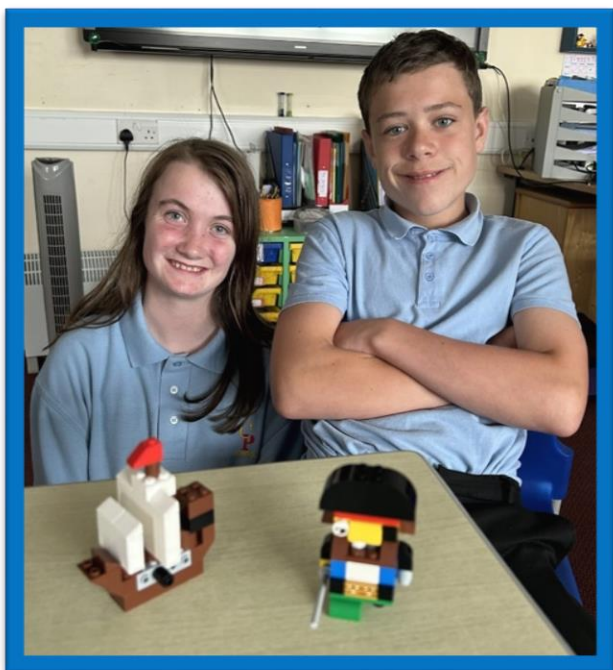
Preston Beer 8C for fantastic drum kit skills.

Caitlin Bennett 8N for developing her confidence in singing.

Liv Avery 9K for amazing effort on developing her guitar skills at home and school

LEGO THERAPY

Congratulations to all the pupils that worked on their teamwork and communication skills during Lego Based Therapy sessions this term. They have built lots of sets together from dinosaurs to robots and hotels to pirates! Lots of children are now working toward the Apprentice stage with some now working toward gaining their Master Builder certificate! This will be continued in the next school year – we can't wait to get building again!



KS2 & Year 7 - Swimming



I feel very privileged to have worked with Key Stage 2 and Year 7 in swimming this year and have been blown away by how confident these pupils have become. Every single one of them now feels happy to get themselves in the swimming pool without feeling anxious. As you can see from the photos, there are lots of smiles and pupils independently enjoying their time in the pool. I would like to say a huge thank you to the amazing swimming staff that support our pupils during their lessons. Thank you Mrs Harris, Mr Bradfield, Mrs Heyworth and Mr Cotton. By Mrs Bradfield



Visit to Brixham Battery Heritage Centre



When we first arrived, we were shown some RAF artefacts from World War II, such as a mounted anti-aircraft gun, which was very heavy. Next, we looked at a one man bomb shelter and a larger anti-aircraft gun that needed 6 men to operate it! Inside the museum, we held a few different guns and learnt that the British guns only cost 75p to make but didn't have a safety cap. We saw the baby gas masks and the toddler 'Mickey Mouse' gas masks used during air raids. Finally, we walked around the Battery and saw the two restrooms which would hold up to seven men. We also looked at the tunnels where they stored the ammunition. We learnt that one of



the buildings on the Battery was disguised as a cottage during the war so that it wouldn't be targeted.

In 8P, pupils learnt about a special coat that was worn by pilots during the war that had a map sewn into it, a compass button and money for the different countries they flew over so that if the pilots survived their plane crashing they could buy food and find their way home. They also enjoyed holding lots of the weapons from WW2 and learning about the effect the war had on the local area.



8N had a fantastic day out at Brixham Battery, we particularly enjoyed looking at the old shelters and viewing gun points -we couldn't believe how far the guns could fire!!



8S had a great day outside of class at Brixham Battery Heritage Centre and it was even better because it was sunny! DJ said that he really enjoyed the museum artefacts especially seeing them and holding the guns. "I liked walking about the outside parts that were dug into the ground. They had amazing views over to Torquay," said Savannah. Jacob, Joseph and Corina liked holding the old guns and sitting in the WW2 machine guns "that shot at German planes if they came".



In 8C, the pupils really enjoyed seeing the weapons at Brixham Battery, including the Mouser, The MP40, MG42, P400, the walking stick gun and the Stern Gun. They were really interested in being able to hold them and experience of pretending that they were in the war. They all remarked on the beautiful view and learnt that the reason the Battery was built there was because of the vantage point being able to see across the whole Bay. The guns in the lookout tower had a range of 7 miles, which is twice the length of the Bay and when fired were precise enough to hit an exact (building sized) target. Some pupils said they were grateful for the Volunteers, some of which were ex-military who had served in the Falkland's War for giving up their time to show them around. Written by pupils in 8B, 8P, 8S, 8C, 8N



Year 9 Residential trip to Bristol



Over the days we spent there, we visited the SS Great Britain, went on a boat trip, visited the M Shed and Aquarium and even went in search of Banksy art!

Our visit to the M Shed helped us to recall the work we had done in the Autumn term on the Transatlantic Slave Trade. The students were able to recall so many facts about what they had learned.

The days were jam packed but what shone through was the excellent behaviour and attitude of our students.



All girl's football festival



On Thursday 8th June, a group of girls ranging from years 7-9 took part in an all-girls football festival. The day consisted of a range of football activities to build confidence in skills and techniques. All girls that attended were very engaged in all the activities and represented Combe Pafford School extremely well. Towards the end of the day, the girls took part in a football match where pupils were able to show off their talents! Brooke Fox was fantastic in goal and a special mention should go to Liv Avery, Phoebe Harris, Lexi Smith and Caitlin Bennett for scoring absolutely brilliant goals during the very tense match. At the end of the day all girls took part in a penalty shootout competition which ended with two Combe Pafford winners; Lexi Smith and Sienna Craythorn, who received medals for their achievement. All girls then received a certificate to celebrate their determination,

participation and engagement throughout the day.



Well done girls!

Girl's Neon Run



On Thursday 23rd May 2023, 38 girls from years 7, 9 and 10 were extremely lucky to take part in an all-girls Neon Run in Okehampton. On arrival, Combe Pafford pupils were given a free, white t-shirt to decorate in a variety of colours using neon paints and pens. Pupils were able to choose between either a 2km run or a 5km run through the scenic park route. All girls participated and showed great perseverance and determination. On completion of the event, there were a host of activities still waiting for the girls to take part in, which included axe throwing, badminton, dance classes, archery and ball games. Children were given the opportunity to explore all of these events and thoroughly enjoyed trying out new activities. Once we returned to school, the girls celebrated their achievements through receiving medals and congratulating each other on their success. The day was a fantastic experience and really boosted the girl's engagement in sporting events. I was extremely proud of them and they should be extremely proud of themselves.

Quotes from Combe Pafford girls:

*"I really pushed myself to have the confidence to do the 5km run.
It was such a fun day and I really want to do it again! My favourite activity was the archery."
Helen Marshall (10W)*

*"I was quite nervous to begin with but it was actually really good fun. I liked painting my t-shirt and it was really nice to be out for the day trying something different."
Mia-Grace Chant (9J)*

*"I really liked the t-shirt drawing and I loved the archery and dancing. My favourite was the running, I started doing the 2km run and then pushed myself to do the 5km run instead."
Lyra Mogford (7C)*

South Devon College Taster Day

On Friday 7th July 2023, three Year 10 pupils had the opportunity to try out some different vocational lessons at South Devon College. It was a chance to see if they'd like to go there after Year 11 and which subjects they might enjoy to hopefully start a career in.

The day started with a meet and greet in the Horizons restaurant, there were two other schools that joined us too. The first place visited was the construction area where children and staff built a brick wall. Then we went to visit all the cute, fluffy and even spiky animals! Our favourites were the meerkats and porcupine. The Combe Pafford students were particularly great at labelling vehicle parts and tools in the motor vehicles unit and enjoyed a game of '2 truths and a lie' in the Drama Studio. There is a mock aeroplane in one classroom so children could learn to be Flight Attendants and, at the end of the busy day, two ex-soldiers told everyone about the Public Services and Military Preparation courses.

It was informative, enjoyable and the three of them said they might like to go there.



Prime Ministers Questions

Earlier this term one of our Sixth Formers, Luke has been off to London to see a session of Prime Minister's Question Time in the House of Commons, courtesy of Torbay MP, Kevin Foster.

Luke is pictured here with his dad and Kevin Foster. He was very excited about being there and needless to say we were sure he enjoyed finding out how democracy works in action!

Luke's dad thanked the school for allowing him to go.

Year 10 visit to Burgh Island

In English we are looking at the text “And Then There Were None”

The book called “And Then There Were None” is about a group of people who go to a hotel and then go missing, then they get killed.

We went to an island to find some good description to write about on the work sheets we were given with a partner. At the start of the day we arrived at school so we would be on time for the trip to burgh island with the teachers driving the school mini buses.

The roads were narrow so the teachers let vans and Lorries go past us.

When we arrived at Burgh Island I thought the island was stunning. The ocean was a lovely, clean blue colour and had no rubbish in. The weather was humid so it was very hot when we walked up the hills. The beach had people on. The people were in the water to cool down. The atmosphere was beautiful it had pretty views and different flowers on the hills.

The path was hard to walk up as there was a few hills. The beach looked very looked after and was clean. The hills were steep to walk up and made me sweat alot. The daisy field was a shimmering yellow and white. And we found a buttercup field to that was beautiful. The view made a lot of big things look small but had a very nice view.

Written by Chloe Catchpole

Burgh Island by Oliver Boyne



Burgh Island is good. It is very good. The birds were tiny dots in the distant blue sky. There was magical grass, swaying in the blowing wind. When the bright sun came out, it was very hot and felt beautiful. People strolled around and threw balls for dogs for hours whilst holding ice creams. Dogs were running, catching and digging to retrieve their balls. The big, long boats

looked like caterpillars in the water.

We struggled up to a big field with bright and colourful daisies and buttercups. Everyone sat down and had a snack. After, we all had to walk together down the hill, in single file. While watching the eye catching view, we all tried to survive in the scorching heat. The island was green all over, with one big white building sat at the front. It was all quite peaceful on the long stretch of beach, like a pathway to the island.



Sports Day – Years 8 to 11



On the 26th June 2023 we held our year 8-11 sports day. This was a slightly different sports day feel, as this was the first time in a long time that we have held a sports day which included year 11 and what a fitting way for them to end their time. With conditions perfect, sports day had the green light to go ahead so Mr Wallace, Mr Davey and Miss Kvesic arrived bright and early to set up for what we hoped to be the biggest and best sports day yet, as 9:30 rolled around and parents started to arrive Mr Davey took hold of the microphone and got us underway.



The pupils were kept in their tutor groups, and then split into two teams. Destroyers and Warriors.

Destroyers: 8P, 8S, 8C, 9C, 10W, 10K, 11M, 11J

Warriors: 8B, 8N, 9J, 9S, 9K, 10M, 10L, 11C

During sports day the children took part in traditional track and field events as well as basketball and tennis events. Mr James took care of the extremely competitive and thrilling basketball games and Miss Kvesic took control of the tense tennis matches. To quote Mr James 'The basketball was brilliant, so fast paced and competitive, they were awesome'. It was clear the pupils had taken their understanding from lessons into this event and showcased their ability to their best.

On the Astro, Mr Davey and Mr Wallace were overseeing the track and field events. I have to say



that the calibre of racing, the energy, support and competitiveness of the pupils was absolutely outstanding and there were many many outstanding performances. On the track we had tight races in all year groups, some highlights were Kenzie winning the year 8 sprint, Caitlin showing off her ability by beating all the boys and girls in the year 8, 4 lap race. Dominic, Matthew and Cole battled it out in the year 8, 2 lap race. In year 10,

the 70m sprint was the tightest I have ever seen with Sam, Harley, Oli and Garron finishing so close you could chuck a blanket over them! Likewise in the year 11 sprint, Damian fought off Matthew and Morgan to take the victory. Some outstanding racing.



With all the results coming in thick and fast, we recruited the help of Maths lead Ms Cocker, who helped keep the scoring for each event. We went into the relay races with very little between the



two teams, however an extremely strong relay performance from one team across all year groups lead to the eventual winners coming out on top..... The winners were..... The Warriors!

This drew to a conclusion our 2023 sports day, a fantastic event which demonstrated resilience, strength, sporting prowess with a hugely competitive spirit. Congratulations to all the pupils who took part and made it a lovely day. Thank you to all the parents who attended and gave your outstanding support and finally, many thanks to all the staff for their support and help throughout the day.

Here's to next year! - Mr Wallace, Mr Davey and Miss Kvesic.

Sports Day for Year 4-7

64 pupils were sorted into 4 teams, Blue Thors, Yellow Wolverines, Green Hulks, Red Ironmen, and then seeded into 8 different groupings with two from each team in each grouping.

Pupils competed within their groups to score points for their teams. Mr Davey, Mr Wallace and Mrs Curzon set up the carousel of 10 events, 5 events prior to break time and 5 events plus the relays post break time. The weather was threatening to ruin our day and cut short the sports day with almost a wash out at break time, however the 15 minute break was just enough time for the rain to pass and the sun to try to break through the clouds.

As the scores came in, it was clear it was a very tight race for first place, with the lead team switching 5 times over the course of the final 5 events.

Time for the relays... Going into the relays there were 15 points separating first and second, another 3 points to 3rd and only 2 more to 4th. The relays are always a brilliant way to end the sports day as it gives the pupils a taste of the middle and upper school sports day. I have never seen such competitive relays from a lower school sports day, pupils ran their hearts out to try and score valuable double points for their teams.

The final relay done and some totting up on the results from Mr Wallace the winner was to be announced... Red Ironmen.



Once again, many thanks to all the parents and carers who came to support the pupils and many thanks to the Lower School staff who helped the day run as smoothly as possible.

Simply Green Estate Agents, who are based in Newton Abbot, kindly supplied the medals for the Sports Day, we were really pleased that the owner, Steven Green, was able to attend on the day and give every participant a medal as a memory of the day



Mr Wallace, Mr Davey, Mrs Curzon.

Year 10 Residential to London



28 Year 10 students went to London in June. We had an action packed week, starting at Harry Potter Studios on the Monday afternoon. We explored the different film sets; marvelled at the dragon (with real flames) in Gringott's and had our photos taken riding a broomstick whilst trying to catch the golden snitch. We then travelled into London and settled into our accommodation.

On Tuesday morning, we walked to the South Bank and visited the London Dungeons. This was a fun (but scary) experience as we travelled back through time, meeting jesters, the Inquisition and others who told us gruesome tales of London in times past. We escaped back into the sunshine and enjoyed lunch in Parliament Square before heading to the London Eye. This was a great opportunity to see the sights of London and everyone took plenty of photos. In the afternoon, we enjoyed a riverboat cruise along the Thames

and then we all headed into Covent Garden and dinner at Nando's. After dinner, we watched some of the performers in Covent Garden and had a look around before walking back to our accommodation for a well deserved rest.

On Wednesday, we had our first experience of the London Underground before Mr Wallace's infamous walking tour of the sights! We started at Buckingham Palace where we watched the changing of the guard before walking down the Mall to Trafalgar Square. We then went to Leicester Square for lunch before visiting M&M World and the Lego shop. Regent Street and Oxford Street followed before we jumped back on the tube to go to Stratford East for shopping and pizza. In the evening, we went to the O₂ to get the cable car across the Thames and enjoyed an ice cream before returning to our accommodation for some much needed sleep.

On Thursday, we were up early to get the tube to South Kensington to visit the Natural History Museum. We all marvelled at the dinosaur fossils and visited the different galleries to see what was on offer. After lunch at the museum, we went to 120 Fenchurch St, which has a beautiful rooftop garden with amazing views. We rode in a superfast lift to the garden and then looked out across Tower Bridge and the Tower of London. It was a great opportunity for selfies with a view. After a quick change, we headed out for dinner and a show. We went to see Wicked! and everyone was spellbound by the performance.

On Friday, we returned to school, which is probably the quietest journey I have ever had, as all children were asleep for most of the journey.

Mrs Kelly



Upper School News from Mrs McVeigh

It has been an extremely busy term in Upper School with exams and goodbye celebrations for Year 11 and the London Residential and Work Experience in Year 10.

Year 11 Leavers

During the GCSE exam period, many of our pupils had back to back exams. We are incredibly proud of all the pupils involved, many of which were very anxious about their performance but still managed to give it their very best. I'd like to say a big thank you to Dom in the Yellow Frog Café for helping to fuel our pupils each morning with a variety of breakfast baps - they were extremely popular!

On Thursday 29th June, Year 11 had their final day in school together. All of Year 11 participated in the farewell assembly and chose an adult to challenge within their 'I'm A Year 11 Get Me Out Of Here' themed assembly. The challenges varied and included Mrs Cocker participating in a silent "Ice Bucket Challenge", Mrs Dolan and Miss Burgoyne eating insect topped pudding, Mr Slingsby eating a hot sauce doughnut and Mr Davey and Mr Stevens competing in a drag act catwalk! Pupils then had a picnic at Meadfoot Green before returning to school for shirt and book signing.

On the 30th June, the majority of Year 11 headed to Paris for a busy and fun-filled weekend.

We hosted a final presentation evening at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club on Tuesday 18th July. Pupils received their records of achievement and a number of awards throughout the evening before enjoying a buffet and silent disco.

A large number of our pupils will be returning to our Sixth Form in September but we'd like to wish our leavers, Amberlea, Leo, Baily, Kaven and Lil all the best with their future pathways.

We'd like to thank 'Lavender Mob' in Brixham for printing the rainbow coloured hoodies that Year 11 wore each and every day of their final week in school! They are thrilled with them.



Year 10

Year 10 have had their first work experience week from the 3rd to 7th July. They were organised and supported by Mr James and Steph Morgan (Careers team). It has been amazing to hear of the very positive feedback provided by the various businesses and organisations involved. Some pupils have even landed a part-time summer job as they impressed the management so much! We would like to thank the many parents that helped to either host or seek out placements for our pupils, it really ensured a rich variety of experience.

It has been a very busy Term for the year group. They represented themselves well in the recent Sports Day, demonstrating competitiveness and great sportsmanship. They visited a sunny Burgh Island as part of their English coursework and many went on residential to London. The residential was really well supported and pupils are still talking about the many highlights experienced.

On Friday 14th July we held our End of Term Assembly. We celebrated work experience week, took part in a team quiz and handed out awards to the following pupils of the Term and our Rising Stars. These pupils demonstrate consistent positive behaviour or have overcome a significant barrier to learning.



Congratulations to:

Luke and Rebecca (10M)

Lucy and Garron (10K)

CJ and Summer (10W)

Kieran and Callum (10L)



Congratulations to Harley Clements for Pupil of the Term for being the most improved pupil.

I would like to give a special mention of thanks to Sapphire Ross (10M) this term. Sapphire has supported Mrs Cooper this year with manning the Pafford Point Shop, a hut that opens at breaktime, to allow pupils to exchange Pafford Points for rewards. Whilst Mrs Cooper was recovering from her recent hip replacement, Sapphire took on the complete management of the hut, completing stock checks, replenishing stock, maintaining the online records and giving up each breaktime to do this. On behalf of Mrs Cooper and all of the pupils at Combe Pafford, thank you for your commitment! We hope you enjoy your thankyou gift.

I have spoken to Year 10 about the high expectations we have for them next year. Year 11 is an important year and it is vital that they not only arrive in school each day ready and prepared to work hard but that they also conduct themselves as the appropriate role models for our younger pupils to aspire to. Please can I urge parents to ensure that your child is wearing correct uniform for their return to school in the Autumn Term to ensure we start as we mean to go on. Black shoes, black trousers/skirt and school logo t-shirt and jumper.

Finally, I wish to share that Mr James will be taking over the Upper School Phase Leader role from September 2023. He is already heavily involved in the development of the Phase through his English teaching and Careers Leadership. He will take on the role of overseeing Class Dojo and will be in touch soon to set up new class groups. Thank you for all your support this year.

Year 11 & Sixth Form – Paris Residential



At 2am on Thursday 29th June, a very bleary eyed staff team and 39 students left Combe Pafford for Paris. The residential group consisted of both Year 11 and Sixth Form students.

We travelled via ferry from Dover and spent an epic 15 hours on the coach before arriving safely in Paris.

Once unpacked, we headed straight to the Disney Village by shuttle bus and had our first Disney Meal at the Deli... the Mickey Mouse shaped pizza and cheesecake were well received after all the travelling.



We stayed at Hotel B&B Disneyland, one of the Disney Hotels. It was very clean, safe and comfortable. The breakfast was very popular, especially the unlimited croissants and the Nutella pump!



During our first evening, there were further news reports about rioting in Paris but we were given the go-ahead to venture into Paris Central the next day. There was quite a large police presence but we saw no signs of any trouble during our walking tour. We were amazed at the size of the Eiffel Tower and enjoyed taking lots of selfies! We then walked to various famous sights which included the Louvre and Galleries Lafayette (a very expensive shopping mall with the most amazing roof top views of Paris). We had a meal in Paris next to the Arc de Triomphe and then headed to Disneyland for the evening. We were sad to learn that due to the riots, the firework and drone display had been cancelled but the pupils coped amazingly with the disappointment. We headed straight for the Indiana Jones and Pirate of the Caribbean rides and enjoyed even more food! Our final day in Paris was spent solely in Disney. It is fair to say that we all had a blast. Everybody found something that took their breath away whether it was the parade (I cried!), the characters, the shopping, the simulator rides or Tower of Terror!



All pupils were impeccably well behaved. We provided opportunities to explore Disney in small independent groups and were super impressed with the organisation and time keeping from pupils at all of our group check-ins. We hope everybody will cherish the memories made in Paris this summer.



Thank you to all the adults that agreed to support the trip: Mrs Clements, Mr Lock, Mrs Keay, Mrs

Kelly, Mrs Parsons, Miss Screech and Mr Cotton.



Mrs McVeigh (Paris Residential Leader)



Summer Maths Puzzles by Mrs Cocker

Summer Addition Mosaic

Addition of three-digit number and 1s, three-digit number and 10s and three-digit number and 100s

Solve the maths problems to reveal the hidden picture. You must write the answer within each box. Each answer has a special colour:

blue: 100 - 200

orange: 401 - 600

green: 201 - 400

yellow: 601 - 800

$100 + 1 =$	$101 + 1 =$	$102 + 1 =$	$102 + 10 =$	$104 + 1 =$	$105 + 10 =$	$105 + 1 =$	$108 + 1 =$	$109 + 1 =$	$109 + 10 =$
$100 + 10 =$	$110 + 1 =$	$471 + 10 =$	$400 + 1 =$	$111 + 1 =$	$111 + 10 =$	$410 + 10 =$	$350 + 100 =$	$112 + 1 =$	$110 + 10 =$
$189 + 10 =$	$120 + 10 =$	$301 + 100 =$	$375 + 100 =$	$500 + 100 =$	$450 + 100 =$	$499 + 100 =$	$401 + 100 =$	$120 + 1 =$	$121 + 1 =$
$128 + 1 =$	$129 + 1 =$	$100 + 100 =$	$349 + 100 =$	$501 + 100 =$	$600 + 100 =$	$399 + 10 =$	$130 + 1 =$	$130 + 10 =$	$118 + 1 =$
$118 + 10 =$	$137 + 1 =$	$139 + 1 =$	$450 + 1 =$	$659 + 100 =$	$699 + 100 =$	$460 + 1 =$	$119 + 1 =$	$123 + 10 =$	$127 + 10 =$
$135 + 1 =$	$136 + 1 =$	$470 + 10 =$	$480 + 10 =$	$490 + 10 =$	$510 + 10 =$	$540 + 10 =$	$559 + 1 =$	$144 + 1 =$	$149 + 10 =$
$150 + 10 =$	$200 + 100 =$	$587 + 1 =$	$589 + 1 =$	$199 + 100 =$	$191 + 10 =$	$599 + 1 =$	$411 + 10 =$	$195 + 10 =$	$160 + 10 =$
$185 + 10 =$	$180 + 10 =$	$199 + 10 =$	$151 + 10 =$	$201 + 10 =$	$206 + 100 =$	$159 + 1 =$	$209 + 10 =$	$168 + 10 =$	$166 + 1 =$
$190 + 10 =$	$169 + 1 =$	$176 + 10 =$	$389 + 10 =$	$299 + 10 =$	$319 + 1 =$	$250 + 100 =$	$183 + 10 =$	$189 + 1 =$	$199 + 1 =$
$102 + 1 =$	$102 + 10 =$	$104 + 1 =$	$105 + 10 =$	$390 + 10 =$	$200 + 1 =$	$179 + 1 =$	$173 + 10 =$	$111 + 1 =$	$152 + 10 =$

Summer Holiday Code Breaker

Solve the calculations and use the code breaker to spell out the summer-themed words.

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m
6	15	21	5	13	24	18	7	12	1	25	19	9

n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
22	16	11	26	2	17	20	3	10	8	14	23	4

	Answer	Letter
3×5		
$30 \div 10$		
$30 - 9$		
5×5		
$5 + 8$		
10×2		

	Answer	Letter
$20 - 13$		
$12 \div 2$		
$9 + 11$		

	Answer	Letter
$30 - 10$		
2×8		
$5 + 3$		
$20 - 7$		
$15 + 4$		

	Answer	Letter
$20 - 3$		
$2 + 1$		
11×2		
$15 + 6$		
$20 - 18$		
$7 + 6$		
$4 + 2$		
$20 - 11$		

Vocational Skills

Here we are again almost at the end of another term and what a term it has been within vocational skills. Yet again, we have covered so many different subjects and discussion points, continuing our discussions about taxes and how taxes are used to support all the services that we enjoy in our country, such as hospitals, the emergency services and the social care that we are so proud of as a nation. Pupils have again experienced a range of different skills including painting, measuring, using and bending plastic and using their imagination in designs. Pupils have also been encouraged to use a range of different tools and equipment.



Year 4

Have been using their skills to make their own 'lava lamps'. Pupils have thought about different shapes including rectangles and triangles and have then used their painting skills to decorate the wooden stands that they have made. Pupils then decorated a bottle and filled it with coloured water and their own choice of glitter and then placed that onto their wooden stands.



Year 5 and 6

Have been thinking about the skills needed for painting. Pupils have used a square piece of cardboard and made it into a pretend window and then used their imagination to see what they can see out of that window. Pupils have thought about colours and how to use them next to each other without the colours running and they have then made and decorated a cardboard frame for their work.



Year 7

Have been using a range of tools to make a classic challenge game called the Tower of Hanoi. Pupils have had to make the game a specific size, they have learnt how to find the centre of a square and have discussed how to place the upright dowels in the correct position. Pupils have had to consider the correct hole sizes to drill and they have done all this as independently as possible.

Year 8

Have been challenged a little more to show increased independence and to be more creative with their practical work. Pupils have been learning about how children have fun and, how children and, adults, learn from fun and the importance of playing games to interact and learn new skills. To do this year 8 have made pin ball machine using resistant materials such as timber and plastic. All pupils have been encouraged to work as independently as possible.



This has been a fantastic term with lots and lots of varied work going on within the vocational room and lots and lots of information being thought about jobs, life skills and practical work. Thank you. Mr Spooner



Horticulture Groups



The morning group went to Plants Galore and chose bedding plants; they decided to buy Marigolds and wanted the design to be a different colour for each letter of CPS at the front of the school. They then cleared the old plants out of the sign and prepared the soil for the afternoon group.



They also spoke to the young man working on the till at Plants Galore about his job and we noticed they are advertising for workers.



The afternoon group positioned and planted the CPS and watered it in. We think it looks great! Dan and Declan worked especially hard to get all the plants in.



Year 10 Work Experience

As with anything that is new or different, the first work experience placement in Year 10 can bring with it worry, stress and nerves. Usually, I would say this is the case for pretty much every year group. But not this one! This group of Year 10s made the organisation of this work experience an absolute pleasure from start to finish. From having a significant chunk of pupils securing their own placements, to pupils managing changes exceptionally well; this year group really did show that they are equipped with resilience, motivation and a desire to succeed. In this article I talk through some of the placements that pupils experience as well as sharing elements of what the in-school group got up to.

Me and Mrs Jones

Me and Mrs Jones have become one of our best and most reliable employers in recent years. Pupils always report to have had a fantastic time and we now have pupils requesting to go there before they have even been told about it. Sapphire and Summer were no exception. They had a varied time split between the kitchen and front of house. They had lots of fun with all the staff in there and the staff were all so complimentary about their efforts; it was fantastic! For trusted employers like these, it really is important that pupils give a good reflection of our school, and in both cases, Sapphire and Summer did just that!



Watcombe Primary School Nursery

One of our most independent placements of the week was held by Lucy Davies in 10K. Lucy wanted to experience childcare and so, as it is within walking distance, Watcombe was an obvious placement. In the past, we have had pupils that have found the placement a bit overwhelming because looking after toddlers is HARD! However, when I went to visit Lucy it was hard to tear her apart from the paid staff. Lucy was so at ease getting stuck in with the children. The class teacher said that she had grown in independence throughout the week and had gone from strength to strength. She also said that it wasn't like having a work experience pupil in the environment at all because Lucy was a genuine help with the children. I'm so glad that this one worked out and can definitely see this being something for Lucy in the future!



Volksburg Garage

One pupil that I am keen to mention is Harley in 10W who went to Volksburg in Barton. Harley did a 4 day placement and then went on a visit to South Devon College on Friday. We have been recently informed that the employer was so impressed with Harley, that they have invited him back for additional work experience every other Saturday until further notice. In Year 11 this is quite rare... for a first placement in Year 10 it really is an astonishing achievement. Well done, Harley!

'In-School' Group

The term, 'in-school' group is a little misleading as this group spent very little time in school! Instead, they had a variety of work-related activities spread across the week which covered gardening and maintenance, shopping for ingredient and packaging, baking and visiting a residential home. Every pupil had areas of the week that they excelled in; and similarly, pupils had areas that they found challenging – however, every single one of them made a huge effort to represent the school in the best possible way.



Here we have Tyler in 10W presenting a potted plant that he helped to decorate to one of the clients in the home. They were all so grateful that we were there and the pupils did brilliantly in keeping them company.

We also baked some lovely cookies and brownies to give out to the clients and staff. These were VERY gratefully received by all and the compliments of the pupils' baking came flooding in.



This article reflects just some of the experiences had by some of the pupils. Hopefully, pupils have shared some of their experiences with you at home but the week as a whole was a great success. I'm really looking forward to setting up the next batch of placements in the Autumn term and seeing how the pupils have developed! Well done all of you!

Written by Mr James

Term Dates 2023/2024

Autumn Term 2023

First Day Tuesday 5th September
Half Term Monday 23rd October – Friday 27th October (inc)
Last Day Friday 15th December

Spring Term 2024

First Day Wednesday 3rd January
Half Term Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February (inc)
Last Day Thursday 28th March

Summer Term 2024

First Day Monday 15th April
Bank Holiday Monday 6th May
Half Term Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May (inc)
Last Day Friday 19th July

Non-Pupil days:

4th September 2023
2nd January 2024
22nd, 23rd & 24th July 2024

Sixth Form Summer Term News Report 2023

Students leave to make their way in the world

A total of 24 students have left the Sixth Form this summer, nearly half to take up courses at South Devon College of one kind or another. A significant number are leaving to take up paid employment whilst other destinations include ROC College, the Prince's Trust, LifeWorks College and Mayfield Sixth Form. Students who have secured paid employment include **Ben Waymouth** (Fermoy's), **Oliver Taylor** (Sainsbury's), **Morgan Quin** (Ocean Leisure), **Joe Francis** (SWISCO) and **Chelsea Walters** (McDonald's) – Ben and Chelsea have also been successful in obtaining internships at Torbay Hospital on Project Aspire. A few leavers are currently still searching for paid work and/or apprenticeships in their chosen pathway. It has been a year of real progress on the work front with many students excelling on their work placements whilst others have managed to get part-time jobs (**Logan Taylor**, **Martha Minchinton** and **Luke Marks** for example). We wish all the leavers all the very best for the future wherever they are headed, and invite them to keep in touch regarding their progress.



Pictured above are Natasha Mildren working at Southernwood Nursery – Natasha is headed for South Devon College, whilst Ben Waymouth (top right) has secured paid employment at Fermoy's and has also gained a place on Project Aspire.



Pictured left is Joe Francis who has been offered paid employment by SWISCO, whilst Morgan Quin (above) has been taken on by Ocean Leisure in Exmouth.



Outdoor adventure opportunities

A number of students have taken full advantage of outdoor adventure opportunities that have come their way this term. In late April, five sixth formers took part in the annual Ten Tors Jubilee Challenge event on Dartmoor and successfully completed their routes (15 miles or 11 miles) in under six and a half hours. Pictured just before setting off are **Matt Roberts** (Gold), **Daniel Lock** (Gold), **Connor Irving** (Bronze), **Jake Brimicombe** (Silver) and **Lexi Wilson** (Silver).



Declan Harvey meanwhile has been getting a taste of what it is like to sail at sea when he took part in two days of sailing organised for Young Carers based at Plymouth Harbour. The group ventured out onto Plymouth Sound where they were able to experience open water conditions, and Declan apparently took to it like a duck to water and was soon steering the boat and working the ropes like an old pro!



Ryan Knapman, who was also part of the group of four students who visited the concentration camp at Auschwitz back in February, has been on his travels again, this time to Scotland. Ryan, who successfully gained a scholarship from the Sir Francis Chichester Trust, has been on a two-week outward bound course at Loch Eil Outward Bound Centre.

Ryan had to travel alone, boarding a Mega Bus on the A38 near Bovey Tracey (see picture below) to Bristol Airport, taking a flight to Glasgow, finding his way to the Travelodge in the middle of the city and staying overnight before joining the party the following day – a fantastic achievement in travelling independently! The outward bound centre where Ryan has been staying is pictured below right.



Mock interview days a huge success



Kourtney Stolworthy is pictured with Donna Glover from SWISCO (above)

Pictured with Sarah Warrington from the NHS (right) is **Jordan Orchard-Barker**, whilst **Cameron Fraser** was offered a job by Amber Waring of McDonald's (below).



Other employers who helped out on the mock interview mornings were Paul Burness-Moakes (Jewson's), Beck Featherbe (NHS) and Jo Harris (Torquay United). We're very grateful to them all for giving up their valuable time and we are delighted with the positive and constructive feedback they gave to the students.

Students were put through their paces earlier this term when we held a series of mock interview mornings where a range of local employers came in and conducted interviews to give students an idea of what it is like to interview for a job vacancy. Students had two face-to-face interviews with different employers and also a virtual interview with another employer in an office that had been set up for the occasion. Not only did the students make a very favourable impression on the employers, one or two did so well that the employers wanted to follow up by offering them a part-time job!



Kourtney Stolworthy (below) had her second interview with Simon Crawshaw from Torbay Clearance Services which is where ex-student Leon Mager works now.



Vocational trips inspire students

A number of 'inspirational trips' took place this term in which students from different vocational pathways were able to go with their tutor on a visit related to their pathway to inspire and give insight. These trips are very popular with students and provide the opportunity to see a different aspect or side of the area they have been studying.

Early this term the **Motor Vehicle** pathway group spent the day at the Ariel Motor Company in Somerset (right) where they had a tour of the factory. The company, which has been in business well over 100 years, is famous for producing the Atom, a road-legal car that is popular for track racing. The students were able to ask a host of questions about the production process and the business.



The **Animal Care** group took off to Monkeeworld in Dorset for their day out, where they were able to observe first hand and learn about some of the 250 chimpanzees, gibbons and orang-utans in the collection there. Students were also able to make up snacks for the animals (see photo left), consisting of seeds, raisins and, you've guessed it, monkey nuts! Students enjoyed a great day out and learned a great deal about the life and needs of apes.

Our **Construction** pathway students (photo below) received the best possible insight into a major construction project when they visited the Palace Hotel redevelopment project in Torquay, courtesy of Brady Construction. The project involves the building of 37 new 4-bedroom houses on the site of the former hotel, and the houses were all at different stages of completion which afforded the students great insight into the building process – they also learned it cost £20,000 per day to keep the site open!

Our **Horticulture** group visited RHS Rosemoor in Great Torrington, North Devon, a showcase of inspirational gardening practice where students were able to see the spectacular blooms, shrubs and borders. This attraction never fails to disappoint and students were left in no doubt as to how much hard work and tender care goes into cultivating the plants, trees and shrubs they saw. A great day was had by all!





Our **Care** pathway students (left) took off to Crealy Adventure Park near Exeter for their inspirational trip, not to have a fun day out, but to get a behind-the-scenes tour and talk about how the park aims to engage young children. Students came away having a much better understanding of how a theme park caters for the needs of families who bring children with them.



Our **Retail** students visited the IKEA store at Sandy Park for their inspirational trip and learned a great deal about the behind-the-scenes operation including stock control, deliveries and pricing. The students asked a lot of questions and were complimented on their polite and interested attitude to the trip.

Work Skills students learn about fish trade

Work Skills students had a day in Brixham learning about the fishing industry and just how important it is to the local economy. Students were shown first hand samples of catch including many of the 40 species of fish caught off Brixham including bass, pollock, mullet, mackerel, bream, whiting, dab and garfish. Students learned that Brixham is the most important fishing port in the whole of England and Wales, as measured by value of catch. There was even an opportunity to hold lobsters and sample freshly caught oyster! All in all, a very worthwhile and rewarding day!



The group (above) at Brixham Harbour, Ben Barber (above right) not too sure about holding a lobster whilst Toby Redclift plucks up the courage to try an oyster!



Foreign trips a big hit!

A total of 36 sixth form students went on the recent European residentials, 15 flying out to Barcelona from Bristol Airport for 5 days whilst 21 students journeyed to Paris for an extended weekend that left everyone very tired indeed! The students who went to France were able to take in some of the famous sites including the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe and the Louvre, whilst those in Spain visited Guell Parc, Sagrada Familia and took a cable car to Montjuic Castle. The group in Spain also spent a day at the Illa Fantasia Water Park which proved very popular. Students represented the school well and behaviour proved to



be very mature and age-appropriate so everyone had a good time. Before the residentials took place, students took part in a row-cycle-run fitness challenge which, together with other fundraising activities, raised a magnificent sum of just over £1000 towards the cost of the trips.



Students enjoying the hot temperatures we encountered in Barcelona whilst Daniel Lock (right) is shown on the exercise bike – Dan made a major contribution to the fundraiser for the residentials.



Dawlish Gardens Trust remains popular placement

Students continue to enjoy going to Dawlish Gardens Trust for their sheltered work placements and reaping the benefits from the broad range of activities they can access there. They get to work with a variety of animals, work on the land and get to use the machinery and mini-vehicles they have there.



Pictured are students involved in various activities at Dawlish Gardens Trust.



New partnerships

New partnerships are being forged as well as maintaining old ones. Next year, in addition to working with Dawlish Gardens Trust and Groundworks, we will be working at the Italian Garden near Ipplepen (pictured right) and Occombe Farm for the first time since the pandemic. These are exciting projects which bode well for the future.



Social events well supported

Sixth Form students continue to support the social events we arrange after the school day has ended, proving how popular they have become. Earlier in the term we held a cinema evening in Paignton where students could choose from three different films that were being shown – pictured below left are some of the students enjoying a drink at the Harvester next door before going in to the cinema. More recently, a 'leavers' social was organised outdoors on Meadfoot Green (see photo below) where students were able to play rounders and socialise, as well as having some food and drink in the fresh outdoors.



Kirsty and Luke on their travels

Two students who have been busy away from the normal routines of school are [Kirsty Mabin](#) and [Luke Marks](#). Kirsty (pictured below with her horse Gift) rides with the Erme Valley Riding for the Disabled stables at Bittaford and has qualified for the national finals of the Dressage class in which she will now compete.



Students help out at fundraiser

Logan Aldworth and **Riley Tooley** were a great help on the golf fundraising day at Dainton Golf Club this week, some of the proceeds of which are to be donated to Combe Pafford to go towards a new minibus. Despite the awful weather, Logan and Riley bravely ventured out from their refreshments hut between the 7th green and the 8th tee to meet and greet the soaked golfers, serving them cake and mini-bites, warm pasties and a variety of drinks. They did a great job at greeting the golfers and chatting to them about the school and what they did so their efforts were much appreciated. Well done to both lads!



Out with the old and in with the new

It's all change at the top as I stand down after several years as Head of Sixth Form, and **Roxanne Burness-Moakes** takes over from me from September. It has been a privilege to work with such inspirational students and staff, and I am proud of



the unique provision we offer which continues to evolve, but most of all I am proud of the achievements of the students – it is deeply satisfying to see the students grow into confident and able young men and women, and leave with a clear direction as to what lies next in their lives.

I very much hope you will give Roxanne the same support you have afforded me so that we can continue to work together for the benefits of the students. I will not be retiring completely however, and will continue to work three days a week in a careers capacity,

so shall still get to see the students regarding their work placements.



Roxanne Burness-Moakes

Have a great summer!

Induction packs for both new students and continuing members of the sixth form will be distributed this week – these contain details of when students are required to attend in the first few weeks in September.

**PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY
WHEN YOU RECEIVE IT**

**Have a great summer holiday and we look forward to seeing
you back in September!**

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Fundraising at Combe Pafford School

The recent Society Day at Dainton Golf Club kindly organised by the grandparent of one of our pupils was a huge success despite the rain and the closure of the course for a few hours. As a School we managed to raise £300 selling raffle squares and a further £1,117 towards opening bids for the Auction. A total of £14,400 was raised, this is split between charities and we will receive a cheque for £7,250 which will go towards the purchase of a new minibus.

Various local businesses sponsored the event and we would like to give a special thanks to:



MW Benney's, GS Engineering, Protego and GM Coachworks, who all sponsored part of the event on behalf of Combe Pafford School, The Lavender Mob who kindly donated bags of tees for all 144 golfers, Winners 2000 and Passage House Inn who donated items for the Auction.

The Horticulture Hut has an official name....



Thanks to the generosity of Winners 2000 members who took part in a run and ride event, we now have signage for our Horticulture Centre, its official name is 'The Pea Pod'.

We hope to open this to the Public in the future.

We held a 'Proms in the Park' event recently which ended up being held in the School Hall due to the heavy rain. This event was well supported and raised a total of £1,052.15 which will be split between Operation Imprezza, Mencap and Combe Pafford School. Many thanks to Riviera Concert Brass who put the concert on for us.

We will shortly be setting up a Friends of Combe Pafford School group, which when set up can work with the school organising fundraising events throughout the year, I know a few parents have already expressed an interest in joining, if you are interested and would like further information please contact me to discuss further. We will hold an initial meeting in September.

I would like to say a huge thankyou to all the staff, parents, carers and pupils for their support in every one of our fundraising events.

Jane Clements

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Many of you will be buying your child's school uniform over the summer holiday for the new academic year in September.

Can you please make sure your child's footwear are black shoes and NOT TRAINERS. Hoodies are not allowed to be worn in school and therefore school jumpers must be worn in the case of cold weather.

We hope you agree how important it is that all our children are dressed looking smart in full school uniform. Any missing uniform will be followed up by your child's tutor. If you need support with your child's uniform, please contact the school.

Many thanks for your co-operation.
M Lock (Head teacher)

Second Hand Uniform

In 2013, we created a second hand uniform shop, in response to a parents/carers/school consultation and this is still up and running well.

We have many items in stock including sweatshirts, t-shirts, trousers, skirts and P.E. kits.



A quality check is in place and prices are very low, starting at £1. In order to generate a variable stock, we would like any donation of your child's unwanted or no longer needed uniforms and P.E. kits.

Your contribution is very much appreciated. Please contact Mrs Pitocco at Combe Pafford School.