



Penryn College News

Friday 19th September

Mrs Croxall's Message



Good afternoon,

I write to you with absolute pride this week after seeing incredible leadership from our students. Our young people led family tours, showcased learning in subjects across the curriculum and delivered talks to families about their experience of being part of the Penryn College community. The feedback I have had since Wednesday has been incredible; recognising how passionate, proud and articulate our students are, and how warm and welcome they made year 5 and 6 visitors feel. Please do pass on our heartfelt thanks to your children for their continued excellence and support to their school.

We look forward to welcoming more families through our doors in the next few weeks as we invite prospective families to Open Mornings so that they can see the school in action, and to our current year 7 parents and carers so that they can see what their children have been doing since they started school this term.

Thank you to the large number of students who got their thumb scanned for canteen use this week, it has helped the queues tremendously, please make sure that you have completed the form to facilitate queues further. Our outdoor pod has also helped our capacity at break and lunch. Please consider if you are eligible for free school meals, the link to check and apply is here <https://cornwall.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/synergyweb/FSMMain.aspx> and remember that we are open from 8:10 every morning for breakfast club which is available for all our students

Wishing you all a lovely weekend when it arrives,

Mrs Croxall

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Open Evening

This week we held out an annual open evening. With well in excess of 200 visitors to the school the evening was a big success. Even though the rain didn't stop, the atmosphere was happy and bustling. It was lovely to see excited young people going around the school imaging themselves with us in 12 months time.

We are holding open mornings towards the end of September so if you would like to see the school in operation please click on the link to book a slot.

<https://forms.office.com/e/BGT6cW5taA>

Applications for students starting in Year 7 in the academic year 2026/2027 are now open on the [Cornwall Council website](#).





1 - Last Friday we emailed out the parent codes for Class Charts. Please be aware that there is only one code per family. Multiple parents/carers can login with the same code.

When downloading the Class Charts app from your app store provider please ensure you download the parent version as opposed to the student or teacher one.

Learning Partnership Agreement



We are proud to share with you our Learning Partnerships agreement. We firmly believe that when school works together with families, it gives our young people the very best chance of success.

This has been written through working with our students, staff and Parents Forum. Please find below a link to the form containing our Learning Partnership Agreement. Please can we ask that you read this agreement and complete the Microsoft Form to confirm this is done. Thank you.

[LEARNING PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT](#)

Communication



*2 - Parents **Forum** - we welcome all parents and carers to come to our Parents Forums meetings, they are a fantastic opportunity to share and meet with staff. The next meeting is on Tuesday 30th September at 5pm.*

***Headteachers Clinics** - Thursday 3pm - 5:30pm. Please email tsmith@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment.*

SEND Clinics - Wednesday 3pm - 5pm. Please email vcooper@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment.

Head of Year Clinics

Key stage 3, Year 7 and 9 - Tuesday 3.15pm - 5pm

Key stage 3, Year 8 - Thursday 3.15pm - 5pm

Key stage 4 (years 10 and 11) - Wednesday 3.15pm - 5pm

Please email tsmith@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment for key stage 3 and 4.

Celebrations



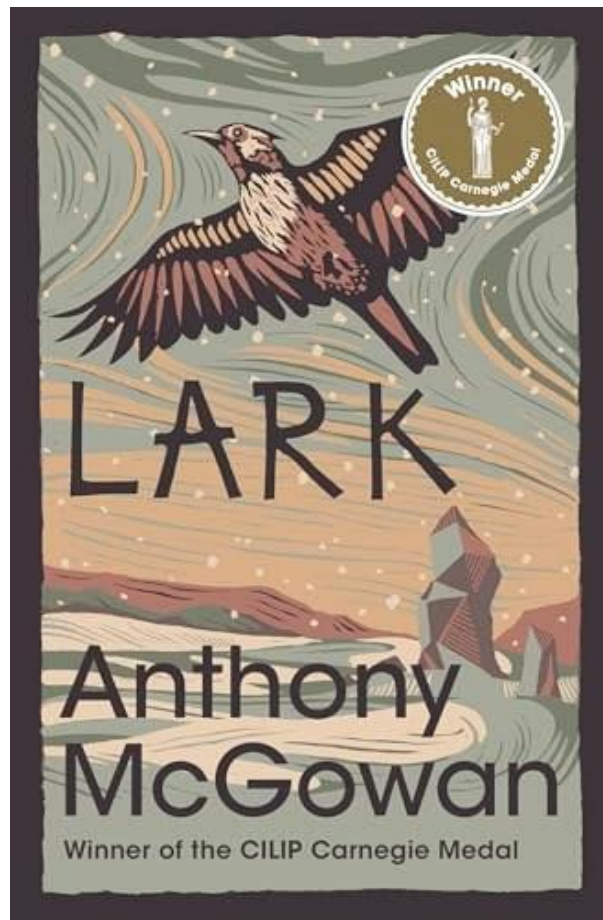
It's been such a busy start to term in the English Department! Over the past two weeks, every student in Year 11 has delivered a speech to their English teacher, as part of their English Language GCSE qualification. We are so proud of the effort and enthusiasm that our students have demonstrated in the preparation and delivery of their chosen topics, which include: Does AI have a place in Art? What came first - the chicken or the egg? Are plastics killing our oceans? Is lying always wrong? and Does money buy happiness?

Year 10 students have made an impressive start to their GCSE English Literature course and are enjoying reading 'Blood Brothers' in their English lessons.

Year 9 students are reading 'Lark'

Year 8 'Storm-Keeper's Island'

Year 7 'Aveline Jones'

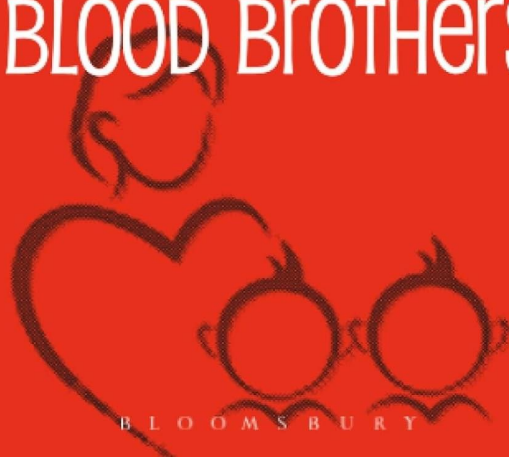


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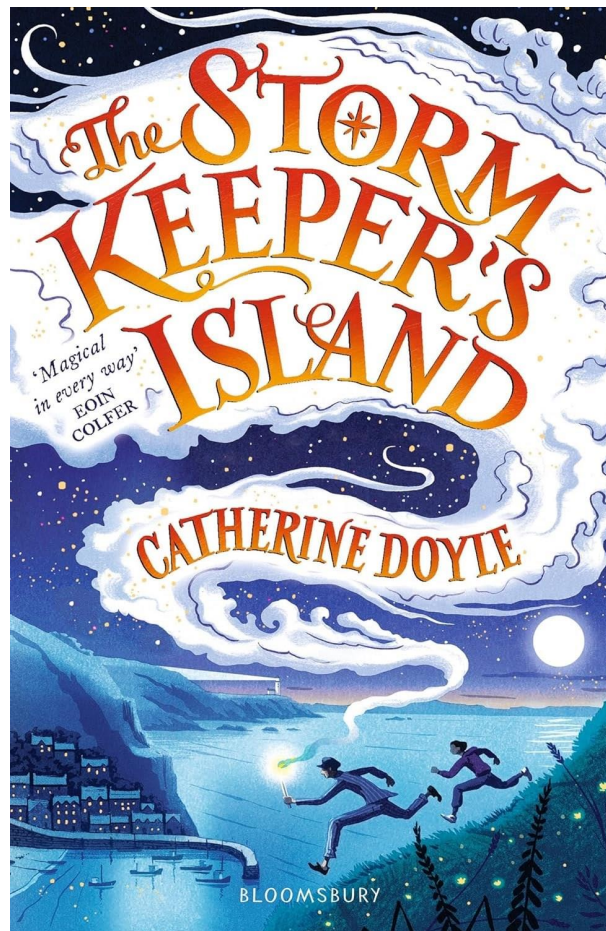
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BLOOD BROTHERS



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Safeguarding



Our safeguarding DSLs are Mrs Williams, Mrs Edgson and Mrs Collins.

This week students have been given advice in assemblies about e-safety with a specific focus on Respect and Responsibility when using social media. This is part of our regular cycle of safeguarding education but is also particularly key as we have had several reports of unkind messaging and inappropriate video sending. Please see our top tips for parents below and

contact our Safeguarding Team if you would like further support or information by using Safeguarding@penryn.college.cornwall.sc.uk

1. Talk Regularly and Listen. Create a safe space for open conversations about online life. Ask questions, show interest, and let your young person know they can come to you with anything.

2. Set Boundaries Together. Agree on screen time, privacy settings, and what's appropriate to share. Involve your young person in setting these rules so they feel respected and responsible.

3. Stay Informed. Keep up with the apps, games, and trends your young person uses. Use trusted resources like Internet Matters or ThinkUKnow to stay ahead of risky

Are you interested in a career in Medicine?

We have a Showbie group for students who are interested in a career in medicine or health careers such as nurse, midwife, radiographer and also dentistry and veterinary medicine.

The code to join this group is DYACV

The group provides information about work experience online and talks in school.

We are currently in the process of organising a workshop with a paramedic and looking to set up links with a local veterinary practice. Students who want to take part will need to sign up via Showbie or contact Mrs Alsop via email calsop@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk

Parents/Carers - over the past few years we have been very lucky to have parents and ex students in medical fields come into school to give talks to small group of interested students. If there are any parents or ex students who feel they could offer a small talk or activity in school this year then we would love to hear from you.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

720 students have kept their 100% attendance streak going.

Year 7 are currently leading, followed very closely by Years 8, 9 and 10 who are all within three students of each other. This is a great start so please let's keep it going.

We are seeing a significant improvement in student's punctuality. The lateness figures with tutor time at the start of the day are much lower.

Students must be at their tutor room ready for a prompt start at 0840

Coming Soon...



Informal Walk Around for Year 7 and 8 parents/carers - Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th September 3.10pm-5pm

Parents Forum meeting - Tuesday 30th September 5-5.45pm

SAVE THE DATE - Year 11 Parents GCSE Information Evening. A letter will follow next week.

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