



Penryn College News

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Mrs Croxall's Message



Good afternoon everyone,

We have continued to be impressed by our year 11 students' approach to their mock examinations this week. They have been punctual, prepared and we really proud of how they have applied themselves.

We anticipated some adverse weather this week, please see below regarding how we will contact parents in these circumstances. Please do ensure you have signed up for Classcharts which will continue to be our main method of communication moving forwards.

Students are recommended to bring coats to school now that winter appears to have arrived, but they are reminded that they should have a polo shirt under their jumpers and if base layers are needed, they should wear their jumper. Shorts worn with tights and leggings are not permitted.

We are now on countdown for Christmas, with lots of wonderful festive events to look forward to. See below for more information and please do encourage your children to get involved with the events we have planned.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Croxall

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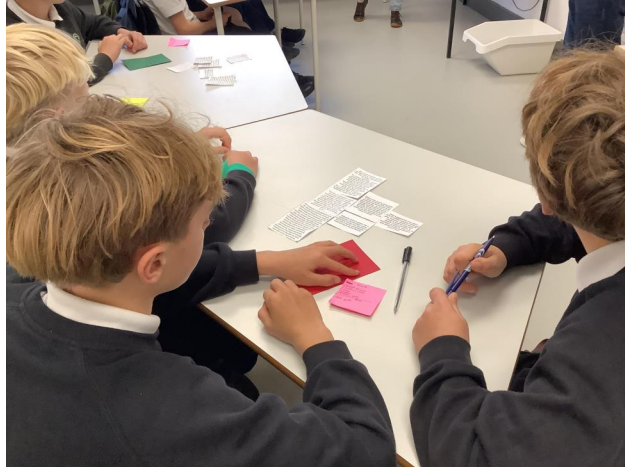
Weather



In the event of a school closure overnight, we will announce this as soon as possible through social media and ClassCharts. If in the eventuality we need to close during the school day, we will decide this at the earliest opportunity and will always communicate with OTS to ensure students can be picked up swiftly. In this case, we will use ClassCharts to announce the school closure so that students who are transported to school by car can be collected by parents. As with usual school pick up, cars will not be able to come on site in this circumstance in order to keep the school site safe.

Community Design in Action

On Tuesday we welcomed Catherine and Joss who are local Landscape Architects from Mei Loci. They have been appointed by the Mawnan Parish Council to undertake the redevelopment of the Carwinion Playing fields in Mawnan Smith. Catherine and Joss wanted to involve the local community in the development of the space, especially young people who know the local area well. A huge thank you to all the students who took part supported by Miss Curtis in the STEAM faculty.



News from the Careers Team

Celebrating Success in the Inette Austin-Smith Work Experience Competition 2025.

We are delighted to share the fantastic achievements of our students in this year's Inette Austin-Smith Work Experience Competition, organised and hosted by CFD Architects Ltd.

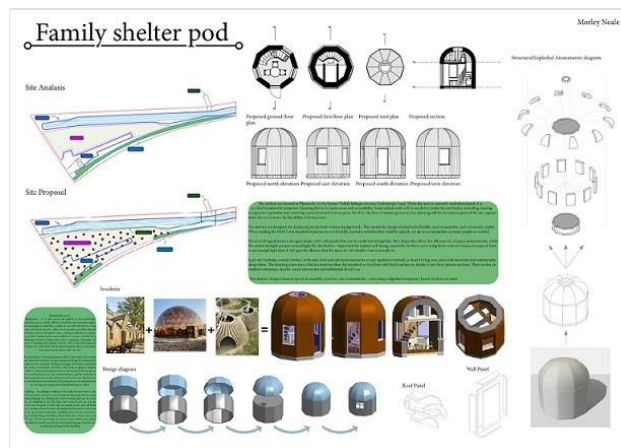
The competition attracted 40 entries, judged by twelve third-year Architecture students from the University of Plymouth. The judges praised the overall standard of submissions, noting creativity, interpretation of the brief, and professional presentation throughout.

First place was awarded to Kiko, who completed his work experience with Koha Architects. His design impressed the judges with its innovation and clarity, earning an outstanding score of 90 out of 100. This achievement reflects not only talent but also dedication and enthusiasm for a future career in architecture.

We are also proud to celebrate Morley, who achieved second place after completing their work experience with CSA Architects. His submission was highly commended for originality and strong interpretation of the design brief, achieving a fantastic score of 81 out of 100.

A huge thank you to Koha Architects and CSA Architects for generously hosting our students and providing invaluable work experience. This kind of support plays a vital role in inspiring the next generation of architects.

Congratulations to both students on these remarkable accomplishments. Your success demonstrates the incredible potential we have within our school community.




Falmouth School Sixth Form




Cornwall Youth Council



 **Cornwall Youth Council** is looking for young people who would like to stand as candidates for the next election! If you are a young person who wants to help people in your community, change something that matters to you and your peers, or help other young people to be heard and taken seriously, this is your chance to join!

Watch the video to learn more about Cornwall Youth Council and check out the link for all the information you need to sign up! Deadline 23 November.

Find out more here 

<https://letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/youth-council>

Miranda in Year 10 is already a member of Cornwall Youth Council and says 'Youth council has honestly been one of the best decisions I've ever made, it's like family. I would recommend standing for election if you want to see change in Cornwall, the worst thing that could happen is you don't get elected in and you can still take part in youth council in many other ways such as the comms team where you can make promo videos. It's such a fun, creative and expressive way to take part in the local community, meet new people and to make real change in Cornwall.'

Year 11 Subject Review



Our Year 11 Subject Review evening will be held in school on Tuesday 9th December from 3.25pm-5.25pm

To ensure that subject reviews are as purposeful as possible, and that parents/carers are able to get appointments, the following process is in place:

Booking will go live for on Tuesday 25th November at 7pm. We aim to do this in the evening so as many people as possible can access the system.

The link to access the booking system will be sent by e-mail from SchoolCloud – this will go to the Priority 1 contact only.

Parents/carers will be able to book in three priority subjects at first.

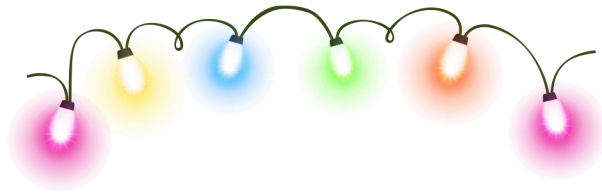
From Tuesday 2nd December at 7pm you will be able to return to the booking system to book further appointments in addition to the first three if you wish.

Appointments will take place in the main street and hall. You will be sent a booking summary and map ready for the day. Please do not arrive before your first appointment time

If you cannot make an appointment with a particular staff member / subject you can request that they make contact at a later date.

Your ongoing support is valued and if there are any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Countdown to Christmas



Friday 28th November - School Christmas Tree arriving

Tuesday 2nd December - Carol Concert at St Gluvias Church from 18:00

Monday 8th December - Foodbank tutor boxes

Tuesday 9th December – Year 11 Saracens Choir Falmouth Care Home Visit

Wednesday 10th December - Christmas Meal (details to be confirmed)

Thursday 11th December - Christmas Meal (details to be confirmed)

Friday 12th December - Christmas Meal (details to be confirmed)

Wednesday 17th December - Community Christmas Concert

Thursday 18th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Last Day of Term For Students and Staff - 15:10 Finish

Friday 19th December - School Closure Day



Parents Forum



The next Parents Forum is on Tuesday 25th November. Mrs Croxall would like to warmly invite parents to join and contribute around discussions for the school 5-year vision and strategy. We have decided to hold this as a face-to-face meeting and not online as we feel these conversations will work best together. We will be sharing feedback and questions through next week's newsletter if you are unable to attend. If you would like to attend Parents' Forum on 25th November at 5pm please email parents@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk

After School Clinics



Headteacher Clinic - Thursdays 3pm - 5:30pm. Please email tsmith@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment.

SEND Clinic - Wednesdays 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 4, Years 10 and 11 - Wednesday 3.15pm - 5pm

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

Please email squinn@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk to make an appointment for Key Stage 3 and 4.

Important Dates for the Diary

Parent Forum - Tuesday 25th November

Immunisations - Thursday 27th November

Year 11 Subject Review (in person) - Tuesday 9th December 3.25pm-5.25pm

Christmas Concert - Tuesday 16th December

Last Day of Term For Students and Staff - 15:10 Finish - Thursday 18th December

School Closure Day - Friday 19th December

Students return to school - Monday 5th January

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