

# Fowey River Academy

Newsletter



Par Docks by George from Yr 7

8th November 2019

## COO Report by Andy Harvey

Dear Parents/Carers

Can I take this opportunity to thank all of you who were able to come into the Academy this week to support your child as we distributed the iPads. I hope the information that Mr McKinniss gave in his presentation was helpful. Almost all students are now using the iPads in lessons and many are already reporting that they are very helpful in supporting their learning. For any parents who have not yet been able to come in to collect the iPad there will be a 'catch-up' session on Tuesday at 4pm. Beyond that any parents who have still been unable to come in will need to phone the CGS Manager for their child's year group and make a separate appointment.

Next week we will be introducing a new member of staff to the Academy. Mr Ben Eddy is an experienced Senior Leader with expertise in behaviour and classroom management. He will be at Fowey River Academy as Consultant Vice Principal for a period of six weeks in the first instance where he will be working with staff and students in order to develop a consistent behaviour system inside and outside the classroom. Mr Eddy also brings with him a wealth of experience in aspects of managing student well-being and working with external agencies for student support. Please make him welcome.

It is now four weeks since I have been coming in full time to the Academy and I must take this time to thank staff, students and those parents I have spoken to for making me very welcome. It is interesting to spend an extended

period of time in a new school and sometimes it is good for a school to have a fresh pair of eyes looking at their systems. One thing I have been made aware of is that in previous years our communication between school and parents has been inconsistent and not always at the level we would like. With the introduction of iPads and the development of the ParentMail app we have an

opportunity to improve this straight away. Therefore, please can I ask you to make sure we have an up to date email contact for you and that you have downloaded the ParentMail app on your phone in order for us to get information to you efficiently. The school also has up to date information on the website as well as on our Instagram, Twitter and Facebook accounts. For further information please contact Mr Rolls. And remember, communication is a two-way thing and we are always delighted to be contacted, particularly with positive suggestions on making our school a better place.

Have a good weekend. Andy Harvey



# Community Update...

## Can you help?

### Shout out for volunteers...

We are still looking for volunteers...we didn't get much of a response to last weeks call...we understand the pressures of modern day life... and we are not looking for huge commitment... every little helps...so if you think you can spare just an hour a month...and have a skill you think could help...please let us know. Please fill out this [form](#) so we can get in touch.



## Round Britain in 38 days!!



We are super excited to be continuing conversations with a sailing charity who are looking to launch another Round Britain expedition next year. This will be open to Fowey students and promises to be an amazing



experience...we will update you as things progress and hope to open this up to be an inclusive experience for a number of students, irrespective of sailing experience..this is a life experience!

## AFC St Blazey Youth



Some of you may know that AFC St Blazey Youth use our facilities for training...we are delighted that this partnership is going from strength to strength...we value our community partners and there are many benefits from working closely together...in partnership with the club we hope to be able to harness the power of local volunteers

for some projects on site, like the refurbishment of the pavilion and potential outdoor areas for students...we welcome partnerships from across the community to benefit from our facilities. Get in touch!

## Year 7

Year 7 have lots to look forward to in a 'project with a purpose' during Project Week. We will kick off by planning a Charity Craft Fair and throughout the week we will hear from three different local charities. These charities are making a huge difference in our local environments and we can't wait to learn about what they get up to and how we can help!



# Cornwall Wildlife Trust

## Year 8 Shout Out!



We are looking for gardening equipment, bulbs, anything of the like that we can use for our community gardening project?

Also- a reminder that students will need wet weather gear and old clothes for our activities in project week. Wellies will be particularly useful!! Thank you.

# PROJECT WEEK YEAR 9 & 10

Life as a pro...



&



Row like a champion!



World class learners...



Can conquer the world...

Pure & Pretty/Pamper Party



Meat Free Living



Motorcycle jigsaw!



Rebel knitting!



## Donut Day

This picture is of some of the Year 7 girls who were awarded Donut Day.

Oh my sweetheart, my darling  
The sight of thee makes me smile.  
Thou sparkleth like stars in the  
night sky.  
Thy plump roundness warms my  
heart.  
Thy sweetness fills me with joy.  
Who can compare to thee, my love?  
Thy shining robe illuminates the monochrome world around me.  
What would I be without thee, my sweet doughnut?.....



Probably a lot slimmer.....

Poem by the three Doughnuteers. (Yr 8!)



Year 7 have been working hard researching our local area for their final outcome. Here, George has combined mark making, blending and a limited colour scheme to turn Par Docks into a Van Gogh inspired artwork

## Yr 9 Science

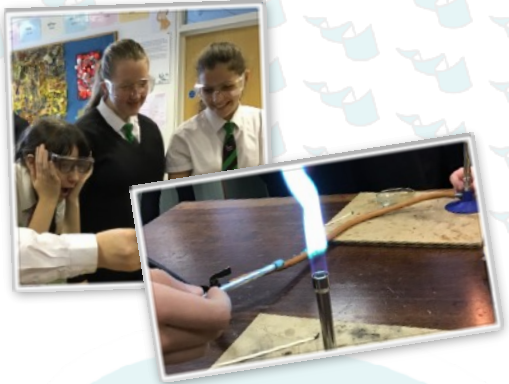
### Majestic and vibrant!

In science today we have investigated metal elements by looking at the colour they turn flames. It was a practical culmination of our work on the Periodic Table.

'It was fun and crazy!' Jasmine

'It looked pretty cool!' Will

'Majestic and vibrant!' Luka and Riley



Tucker helping keep year 11 calm as they revise for their Mock exams!

Year 8,9 and 10 German students have been offered a fantastic opportunity to visit Germany at the end of this month as part of a fully-funded three-year European project on sustainability. We only learned last Friday that the funding for the project is guaranteed regardless of the situation with Brexit. Five students will get the chance to join our German, Spanish, French and Italian partners in Augsburg and the partners will return here at a later date. Students have been invited to apply for a place and applications close on Monday. As we approach the visits to France, Spain and Italy, students of those languages will be offered the chance to visit Rodez, Murcia or Putignano. This is a fabulous opportunity for our students and we look forward to working with our European partners.



Year 10 English Mocks



Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November:

The exam will be the English Literature Paper 1 which means students will have to answer one question on Romeo and Juliet and one on Jekyll and Hyde.



A lunchtime and after school revision timetable will be sent out next week so please encourage attendance of these valuable opportunities.

Any questions, please contact Mrs Morgan.



## Girls footy...

The year 9 girls are getting some extra training in before their first fixture next week (14th November) which will be a years 7, and combined 8 and 9 girls football tournament at Poltair where Brannel school will also be joining. The girls have been working hard in training on Mondays after school and Tuesday lunchtimes to prepare for the fixture.



## Year 9/10 Rugby...National Cup

Mr Randall refereed a fantastic game of rugby between Fowey River Academy and Kelly College on Wednesday. Fowey played with huge heart and were unlucky to lose but it was such a massive effort from all students involved, particularly the handful of year 9 Lankelly boys playing up a year and competing fearlessly.

## Handball

On Thursday we were visited by Juergen from Newquay Handball Club who delivered excellent coaching sessions to our Year 10 examination students and

our Year 7,8,9 school game students.



401 challenge - we have just signed up to the 401 USA challenge after Mr Horton was lucky enough to meet founder Ben Smith at the Cornwall PE conference last week. The project will see students work on developing their well being and supporting Ben along his next charity adventure!! <https://www.the401challenge.co.uk/usa-2020>



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# PROTEST. WHY BOTHER?

Year 8 REAL.  
From 4.30 to 6.00pm  
Thursday 14th November

THIS EVENT IS INVITATION ONLY.

Congrats to...



...our fabulous receptionist Francine for graduating with an FDA in Teaching and Learning at Worcester.

...and our new School Showjumping Team

On Monday 21st October Isobel and Ellie both in year 10, took part in a Schools team Show Jumping competition, held at Goonbell riding centre. The teams were meant to be made up of 4 riders and horses but unfortunately due to circumstances at the last minute they went as a team of 2, both having to ride twice. The event had 3 parts to the day, firstly a tack and turnout, where the teams had to present themselves and their horses for an inspection

based on how smart and tidy they were. The girls came away with a 2nd place. This was followed by 2 rounds of jumping, with the 2nd round being a higher height. As there were only 2 of them, both girls had to ride twice, so in total they had to jump 4 courses against the clock. The afternoon saw them competing in Gymkhana games, collecting points every time race. Both Ellie and Isobel



had a fantastic time representing the school at this event and came away with an overall placing of 3rd, which considering they were 2 riders down against all the other teams, proved how brilliantly they did. The organisers commented on the day how lovely it was to have had a team from Fowey competing and that both girls represented their school very well.

they won a

FRA Talent Show  
TICKETS ON SALE NOW



The search is on for our finest talent...  
Are you a singer, dancer, comedian, magician, musician, acrobat or have another talent?

The Performing Arts Faculty would like to hear from you.

AUDITIONS WILL START ON MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER

BOOK YOUR SLOT – See Ms Mottart, Ms Quigley or YR 10 Music Tech team

TICKETS AVAILABLE HERE:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1504033469750292/>



Huge congratulations to Yr 9 dancer Leo who excelled in an audition for Britain's Got Talent last weekend. Leo has been dancing since the age of six and performed a unique self-choreographed piece which fused both contemporary and popping styles. Leo made it to the final 100 out of 1000 acts and will now have to wait to see if he has made it through to the next round. We are really proud of Leo, not just because of his talent but also for the strength of character shown in auditioning for such a major competition as a solo performer.

### AFC St Blazey Youth

Welcome to AFC St Blazey Youth, a newly formed Youth Football Club, based within the grounds of St Blazey Cricket Club and also training at Fowey River Academy.

We currently have Mini Kickers (Ages 4+) U7, U8, U9, U10, U11 & U14 teams, who all train weekly and represent the Club in league matches around the County.

If you are interested in bringing your child along, please get in touch with the Club Secretary Karla Kaye on 07904 212868 or E-mail us: [karla@afcstblazeyyouth.co.uk](mailto:karla@afcstblazeyyouth.co.uk)

ALL of our coaches & volunteers are DBS checked, with Coaches having been qualified to the FA Accredited, L1 Standard.





14TH NOVEMBER

*you're invited*

TO THE AUTUMN 2019

*Year 10*

ART PHOTOGRAPHY  
TEXTILES GRAPHICS

*arts exhibition*

4:30pm all welcome



# Fowey Sports Hub Classes

## Monday

11:00 - 12:00 Over 50s Circuits

16:00 - 17:00 Yoga

19:00 - 19:45 Studio Cycling

## Tuesday

14:15 - 15:00 Pre-School Parents  
Fitness

19:00 - 20:00 Circuits

## Wednesday

08:00 - 09:00 Yoga

09:00 - 10:00 Over 50s Gym

17:00 - 18:00 Qigong

17:00 - 19:00 Karate Kids

18:15 - 18:45 Begin to Spin

19:00 - 19:45 H.I.I.T.

19:00 - 20:00 Netball

20:00 - 20:45 Boot Camp

## Friday

16:00 - 19:00 Kids Drama

17:00 - 17:45 Stretch & Mobility

## Saturday

08:15 - 09:00 Push & Lift

10:00 - 12:00 Kids Dance

10:30 - 11:30 Junior Gym

## Sunday

09:00 - 10:00 Advanced Studio Cycling

11:30 - 12:30 Core Stability

**FRA Project  
Week  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Nov**

**FRA Talent  
Show  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec:  
6:30pm**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>  
November –  
Year 10 English  
Literature Mock  
Exam**

**School Games  
Tournaments :**  
Tuesday the 12th  
November (7,8) and  
Tuesday 26th  
November (9,10) both  
leaving at 15.30 to go to  
Poltair

**Additional iPad Date –  
4pm Tuesday 12th November**



# We Are



The Leading Edge Academy Partnership

