

THE REDRUTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Minack

Next year's GCSE Drama students got an early insight into the course requirements this week when they visited The Minack Theatre to watch Miracle Theatre perform *The Case of the Frightened Lady*. The group were lucky to have such a gorgeous day in which to visit this unique theatre, with its views of the sea and Penwith. Fortunately, the students were given some of the best seats in the theatre, very close to the action. As ever, the performance by Miracle was superb! It was a particularly useful play for the students to see as it demonstrated, with some very funny results, how one actor could play a myriad of characters just by changing voice, movement and improvised costume items. The students were a real credit to the school and Mrs McGovern and Ms Mottart are really looking forward to teaching them next year on their GCSE course.



Geevor



Year 5 pupils from St Day and Carharrack Junior School enjoyed a visit to Geevor Tin Mine as part of the Year 5 Redruth Learning Cluster Project. They took part in a range of mining activities including hand rock drilling, barrow lifting and panning for gold before taking an underground trip down Wheal Mexico where they discovered and explored how miners worked in the 18th Century.

The trip was led and organised by Mr Annear of Redruth School who said, "This was a fantastic team building and educational visit to a unique heritage site. The children were amazing and took full part in all of the workshops with great fun and energy. Well done St Day and Carharrack Year 5s!"

Director of Maths

Beth Haslam joins us from Pool Academy where she was The Head of Department and SLE (Specialist Leader of Education) for maths. Prior to this Beth was Teaching Team Leader, Numeracy across the Curriculum Coordinator, SLE and Staff Governor at The Roseland Community College for 5 years. Here she worked hard to forge links with the primary network of schools to develop a consistent approach in the delivery of maths and create a smooth transition between key stages for the students. Beth and her department worked closely with AQA to become a pilot school for the Maths Link Pair GCSE and become part of a national case study for the DfE for good practice.

Beth's career began in Manchester. After attaining a BSc Hons in Pure and Applied Maths from The University of Manchester, Beth completed her PGCSE in secondary maths and began teaching in large comprehensive schools in Manchester.



Eden Inspiration



The Year 10 Art, Design and Photography students visited the Eden project last week to create work in preparation for their practical exams. The students were delighted to discover that Dick and Dom were filming for the BBC in the tropical biome! The photography students were taking images in the style of the street artist Slinkachu, who uses tiny model railway figures to tell stories, and the Art students were drawing and recording the amazing structures and looking at the incredible plants that could be inspiration for future buildings.

Bring a Tin to School Day

To support the CPR Foodbank we are inviting students to bring a tin/can/packet of food into school on Friday 4th July.



These should be taken to Tutor Groups. The cans will be used to construct a dragon snake and the school producing the longest snake will win a prize.

Cornwall Schools County Athletic Championships

Last weekend a number of students from Redruth school took part in the Cornwall Schools County Athletics Championships. The conditions were good for a change if anything a bit too hot! All students performed well, consequently a number of them have now been selected to represent the County in the South West Schools event which takes place in Yeovil next weekend.

The students selected include Paddy Swan Year 11 (discus and shot), Fynley Caudery (Pole vault) and Molly Caudery (high jump and 75m hurdles). We would like to wish these athletes the very best of luck in the next competition where they will be attempting to qualify for the English Schools finals.

Girl Power!

Congratulations to Hanna Reid and Emma Kendall who have recently competed in the 2014 SW Regional Age Group Swimming Championships.

To make the tough qualifying times for these championships is an achievement in itself, however both girls produced outstanding results.

Emma gained two very significant personal best times in both the 100m and 200m backstroke, whilst Hannah qualified for an impressive eight events and reached the finals of both the 50m and the 100m backstroke.

