



16 December 2024

Dear parents/carers

Our December edition of The Helstonian will be published soon containing the usual celebration of student achievements. In the meantime, there are a few reminders and updates I wanted to share below.

Week Beginning 16 Dec

During this week the students will be having some celebratory group assemblies and we will have two prize draws, our Kindness Golden Tickets on Thursday 19 December and our Consequence Cards on Friday 20 December. These will recognise some fantastic behaviours from our students.

The students will also be watching our traditional College Panto performance. This year Key Stage 4 and 5 will be performing Roald Dahl's version of Little Red Riding Hood. Oh yes they are!

On Wednesday 18 December we have our Christmas Carol Concert at St Michael's Church, 6.30pm – 8.00pm. It would be lovely if you could join us.

On the last day of term, Friday 20 December it is non-school uniform/Christmas jumper day. If a student doesn't have a Christmas jumper then they could wear a christmassy top or item. We would like students to donate £1 (or as much as they can afford) to a very worthy cause "Save the Children". Cash can be handed to Tutors or payment can be made via Parent Pay

Early Finish – Friday 20 December

Please remember that we finish early at 12.30pm on Friday 20 December. Please see the last page of this letter for full details of the transport times. However, if students are unable to get transport home, we can supervise them until the usual finishing time. If you would like your child supervised until 3.15pm on Friday 20 December please complete the form which can be found here: <https://forms.office.com/e/AMVVec2x7f>

Uniform

As you recall we introduced a College jumper (with an embroidered badge) at the beginning of the academic year. We have made allowances this term as some families were waiting for uniform orders to arrive. We are now aware that all orders have been fulfilled. The expectation now is that all students will be wearing full uniform including the College jumper **with the embroidered badge** and/or the College Blazer.

Equipment - What should students bring to the College every day?

We have been reviewing the list of equipment that students need to bring with them every day. In the New Year, the following items will be required on a **daily** basis for students in Years 7 to 11. Please can you ensure each of your children has these items for their return on Wednesday 8 January. All students in receipt of Free School Meals will be given a free set of equipment, if needed.

It is really important every child has what they need for each lesson. The disruption and loss of lesson time caused when students are missing items can be significant.

From Monday 13 January, tutors will be completing a weekly equipment check. If students are missing an item, this will be logged on Class Charts (please note: no behaviour point will be assigned) and the student will be expected to replace it as soon as possible. However, if a student **repeatedly** has missing items, we will issue a lunchtime detention. As a back-up, each classroom will have a set of pens and pencils so that if a student forgets or loses theirs, they will be able to borrow one so they can complete their written work with minimum disruption. In addition, we have decided to make equipment easily available so items will be able to be purchased from the library at North Site.

Every Lesson
Black pen Pencil Eraser Sharpener Ruler Glue stick Yellow highlighter Green highlighter Green pen for marking corrections and improving work Calculator* iPads must have enough charge to last them throughout the day (we recommend a minimum of 80% charge)

*Not all calculators work the same way. We recommend these models to use in your Maths and Science lessons: **CASIO FX-83GTX or CASIO FX-85GTX**

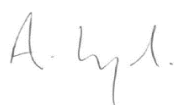
Students Return Date: Please remember all students are due back to the College at the usual start time of 8.45am on 8 January 2025.

Thank You

Thank you for your on-going support. Your support in helping us provide the best education we can is invaluable and we wish you a wonderful Christmas when it arrives.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully



Mr A Lingard
Headteacher

***Please see the next page for the transport times on Friday 20 December 2024**

HELSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE - TRANSPORT TIMES 20 DECEMBER 2024

First Buses - FirstSouth.Enquiries@firstbus.co.uk

U4 West (towards Penzance) – leaves Tesco at **13.19pm**

U4 East (towards Falmouth) – leaves Tesco at **13.45pm**

HEL004 - WILL COME INTO HCC AT **12.45PM**

Go Cornwall Buses - ask@gocornwallbus.co.uk

HEL005 to Porthleven - WILL **NOT** COME INTO HCC

HEL006 to Great Work via Porthleven – WILL **NOT** COME INTO HCC

HEL 34 (to Lizard) – Leaves Tesco at **13.29pm**

HEL 34 South (to Redruth) – Leaves Tesco at **12.50pm**

HEL 36 to Truro via Stithians, Carnkie & Porkellis – Leaves Tesco at **13.10pm**

36A to Coverack – Leaves Tesco at **13.17pm**

HEL 38 – (Camborne to Helston via Praze, Nancegollan & Sithney) – Leaves Tesco at **13.42pm**

HEL 39 – (Helston to Camborne via Sithney, Townshend & Leedstown) – Leaves Tesco at **14.42pm**

OTS - office@otsfalmouth.co.uk

35A – (Gweek/Constantine) – Leaves Tesco at **13.30pm**

R Cabs - 01326 464646

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