



# Year 10 Newsletter

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## Happy Easter

Happy Easter everyone! I am sure you are embracing the lighter days and making the most of the dry weather.

The Year 10 Mock Exams are now being completed and I hope the exams have served their purpose for the students, not only to see how they are progressing in their subjects, but also to experience the public exam progress and get in the right frame of mind to achieve their best. I have had some positive feedback from the exam's officer and invigilators on how the Year 10s conducted themselves throughout the week. I am hoping they have raised to and relished the

## Trust Update

On **Tuesday 19th April** at 6.30pm in the North Site Hall, we are holding a Parent Information Evening to explain how the College is progressing in relation to the Government's Academy agenda. There will be a presentation of the plans to date, and a chance for parents to ask questions. *Please see separate letter with more details that you should have received from your child. As always, if it has gone astray a copy can be found on the website.*

## Flora Day

The Year 10 Flora Day rehearsal is due to take place on **Monday 21st March**. As ever, I'm sure we will all be looking forward to this special day which will be soon upon us and the Year 10s doing us all proud. *Please see page three for the full Flora Day Dress Code list.*

## Safeguarding our Children:

Safeguarding our Children: 'Together, We Can Tackle Child Abuse' Campaign

As you know at Helston Community College we take our responsibilities very seriously for keeping children and young people safe. To raise awareness and better protect our communities, the government has recently launched a national campaign to encourage members of the public to report concerns they have when they think a child may be suffering from abuse.

The key messages of the campaign are:

- ⇒ We all have a role to play in protecting children and young people from child abuse and neglect.
- ⇒ All children have a right to be safe and should be protected from all forms of abuse and neglect.

Concerns over the welfare of a child in Cornwall should be reported to the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) on 0300 123 1116. Concerns can also be reported to Devon and Cornwall police on 101. #tackleabusetogether

## Pupil Info Update

Student data on Pupilinfo is now live as from the 1st March 2016; the grades and teacher advice supplied are intended to support students to make progress. Pupilinfo can be accessed via the 'Parent' section of the College website by clicking on 'Parent Portal' or directly by typing pupilinfo.helston.cornwall.sch.uk into the internet browser address bar. Please use the usernames and passwords issued in the letters sent out during the Autumn Term. If you have any difficulties accessing the data or if you require a paper copy of the data please contact the College Reception. If you have any questions concerning your son/daughter's progress please contact myself or their subject teachers.

## Assemblies

Recent assembly themes having included the Co-operative values of self-responsibility and caring for others. This included an impressive assembly from the Year 11 prefect team, talking about their personal experiences of people caring for them, and a video of NBA superstar Shaquille O'Neal showing a caring side playing basket ball with a group of children in the street. We have also been working on different exam techniques, revision tips and positive habits in preparation for exams both now and in the future.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

Again this term, I am glad to report on continued excellent sporting performances. Most notably, from the gymnastics and cross country teams now achieving national recognition. The runners competed at the National Cross Country Championships in Nottingham and the Gymnasts came third in the National Schools Gymnastics Competition in Stoke. A very well done to all involved.

The Year 10 Football team are due to play in the semi-final of the County Cup against Richard Lander School after Easter and I have seen and heard of some impressive performances by the Year 10 hockey team.

Congratulations to all performers.

## Sports Relief

On Friday 18th March all the students were asked to make a charitable donation for Sports Relief and dress as Sportsmen/women. Money is currently being counted and I'm sure we will have made a significant contribution to a wide range of good causes.

I didn't have to make too much of an effort - although I was disappointed that so many Year 10's didn't recognise my Jurgan Klopp disguise!

## Final thoughts...

After Easter, the Year 10s will start putting together their applications to be a part of the Year 11 prefect team. Students interested should start thinking about what the role of a prefect might entail and how they can support the College community even more.

Have a good Easter break — Enjoy the rest and the eggs!

Best wishes

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**Head of Progress, Year 10**



Self Help Self Responsibility Equity Equality Democracy Solidarity  
Social Responsibility Honesty Openness Caring for Others



# FLORA DAY

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2016

## DRESS CODE



### GIRLS

1. All white dress - **not cream**  
Dresses should be no longer than mid-calf and no shorter than 4cm above the knee  
No low necks  
No bare shoulders  
No cardigans
  2. White shoes
  3. White ankle socks or white or flesh coloured tights
  4. Short white gloves with fingers
  5. Headdress - "Forget-Me-Not"
- No prominent jewellery

### BOYS

1. White trousers
  2. White shirts - long sleeves (no pullovers)
  3. White shoes (no colour trims)  
**No boots**
  4. All white socks
  5. School tie
  6. T-Shirts (if worn under shirt must be plain white)
- No jewellery visible except a watch



All wear Lily of the Valley – girls on the right facing down, boys on the left facing up.  
(Girls must wear forget-me-nots in their hair.)

### Local Suppliers

<p><b>The Bridal Studio</b> 11, Wendron Street Helston 01326 560903 E: <a href="mailto:hello@bridal-studio-co.uk">hello@bridal-studio-co.uk</a></p>	<p>Range of girls dresses, headdresses, gloves and shoes.</p>
<p><b>HEATHERCRAFT</b> Coinagehall Street Helston Tel: 01326 563925</p>	<p>Girls' dresses made to order, a selection of white material, gloves and forget-me-nots for headdresses.</p>
<p><b>Mrs Penny Taylor</b> Tel: 01326 562895</p>	<p>Girls' headdresses made to order.</p>