Year 11 Parent Bulletin 11.3.24





At Poltair we ${f SORT}$ it!

We have been working with students over the last 18 months on how to prepare for assessments and how to revise.

Students have been issued a third Knowledge Organiser that provides them:

- Date and time of each exam.
- How long each exam is and the marks available.
- How each exam is broken up, for example sections and questions
- The topics that will be assessed in each exam.

By now, all students will be adept at Organising – they can complete a revision timetable and can RAG a PLC to identify the topics they need to focus on; and SUMMARISE – they can summarise information into flash cards and mind maps. In tutor time and lessons, we will now focus on RECALL. With the SORT Strategy of the week being BLURT IT.

For more information, please visit the school webpage Poltair School - SORT

Dates for your diary

Friday 8th – 22nd March – Science Week events

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day

Thursday 2nd May 5:00 pm-8:00pm – Truro College open evening

Friday 28th June 2024 – Year 11 Prom The Alverton, Truro.

Post-16 Updates

Is your child interested in an Apprenticeship?

Employers here in the Southwest and beyond are recruiting now! Find out all about today's Apprenticeships by downloading the February edition of the Parents' and Carers pack from the Amazing Apprenticeships website.

The edition includes highlights from National Apprenticeship Week 2024, looks at functional skills, shares key insights into logistics apprenticeships and much more.

If your child is interested in securing an apprenticeship when they leave us this summer, there are lots of employers in the Southwest offering opportunities right now.

<u>Apprenticeships in Cornwall – Pendennis</u> <u>Apprenticeships</u>

Amazing Apprenticeships

Date	Time	Subject
Tuesday 2 nd April	10:00am – 2:00pm	English
Thursday 4 th April	10:00am – 3:00pm	Art
		Computer Science
Friday 5 th April	10:00am -12.30pm	Maths
	1:00pm – 3:00pm	Maths
Monday 8 th April	10:00am – 1:00pm	History
Tuesday 9 th April	10:00am – 2:00pm	Science
Wednesday 10 th April	10:00am – 2:00pm	Science
Thursday 11 th April	10:00am – 2:00pm	Spanish
Friday 12 th April	10:00am – 2:00pm	English
	10:00am – 2:00pm	French
Saturday 11 th May	10:00am – 2:00pm	English
Saturday 18 th May	10:00am – 2:00pm	English
Tuesday 28 th May	10:00am – 2:00pm	Geography
Wednesday 29 th May	10:00am – 2:00pm	Science
Thursday 30 th May	10:00am - 12.30pm	Maths
	1:00pm – 3:00pm	Maths
Friday 31 st May	10:00am – 2:00pm	English

Easter and Half-Term Revision Sessions

To support students in preparing for their GCSE exams., we will be offering additional revision sessions during the Easter and Half-term holidays as shown in the schedule above. In addition, we will also be running booster sessions on Saturday 11th May and Saturday 18th May to prepare for the English exams on the following Monday. I can also confirm that your child will be issued with a letter next week outlining the sessions they are encouraged to attend.

There will be a break for refreshments where snacks will be provided and students can bring along a packed lunch, if required, and a drink; please note that students are not expected to wear school uniform. If you have any questions regarding these sessions, please contact Miss Westley, jwestley@poltair.cornwall.sch.uk

Prom

Just a reminder that the Year 11 prom will be held at The Alverton, Truro on Friday 28th June 2024 (timings to be confirmed). The cost of a prom ticket is £50, this includes the venues cost, a three course sit down meal, DJ and photo booth. This has now been added to parent pay and can be paid in installments to help spread the cost.

Wellbeing

Useful websites

Exams can cause stress and anxiety, not just on the day of the exam but also in the lead up to them and when collecting the results. Below are the links to some useful websites that have strategies to help young people cope with managing stress.

Information for 11–18-year-olds – Exam stress - Mind

APPS | CAMHS Resources (camhs-resources.co.uk)