

SPOTLIGHT

SUMMER TERM 2007

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are looking forward to the Centenary Awards Ceremony on Tuesday 15 May at which John Nettles will be the guest speaker. All parents of award winners have been invited to the event and we hope that you are able to join us for a prompt 1.00 pm start. Also present that afternoon will be a film crew who are making a biographical film of John Nettles.

Parents' Information Newsletter

Saturday the 30th June is of course the big centenary event. If you have not already bought your ticket, you can still do so by contacting the school receptionist. Please participate in the celebrations because after all – you won't be able to attend the bicentenary!

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

Congratulations to those pupils who have successfully returned their work experience paperwork. 10DBR are the Year Group Champions with 17 pupils having returned the Employers' Approval forms after effectively organising their placement.

We would like to remind parents how important this is and what a fantastic opportunity work experience provides. Pupils who still have not found a placement can go online to www.learnaboutwork.net/cornwall. Please note they will need a pin number, which can be obtained from the library. This website gives them access to a comprehensive database of placements.

Good luck.

Miss Slater Work Experience Co-ordinator



TEN TORS CHALLENGE 2007

The last few days are ticking down to 07.00 am on 12th May. The preparation and training (tough as always) has been completed, the kit will be checked... and re-checked by scrutineering. The adrenaline begins to bite... and Dartmoor is waiting...

On Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th May, twelve young people from Poltair School will be challenged to complete the 35 and 55 mile trek across Dartmoor.

The following individuals have been training for the past seven months in preparation for the event;

35 mile STANLAKE, Nic (Leader); CAPLE, Harriet; HYDE, Emma; MACE, Zac; MURPHY, Daniel; SWANN, Philip. Reserves: OULD, Darren; SANDERS, Neil.

<u>55 mile</u> STANLAKE, Chris (Leader), BATESON, Katie; JOHNSON, Richard; PARKINSON, Niall; PRICE, Frances; WARDLE, Michael. Reserve: BRUMBY, Josh.

The aim of Ten Tors is:

'To encourage young people to take part in a planned expedition over Dartmoor. The event is not a competition but a challenging adventure which demands careful planning, imagination, skilful navigation, endurance and teamwork by the participants.'

Ten Tors is like no other... I wish all teams good luck in the challenge this weekend!

Miss Blackburn (Ten Tors Team Manager 35 & 55 mile)

YEAR 11 REMINDERS

All Year 11 pupils are expected to attend all exam subject lessons only, as from next week. Once the exams in that subject have finished they do not have to attend that particular lesson any longer.

The official leaving date is 30th June 2007. Pupils should not start full time work until after that date.

BCS (Business Communications Systems) exams will run throughout next week. Pupils have each received individual timetables and letters confirming their own details i.e. day and time. All Year 11 pupils must report to the Dining Hall at 11.45 am on the appropriate day.

EMA - Education Maintenance Allowance

Allowance for post-16 students (Applications are means-tested)

Application Packs should have been received by your son or daughter, if not please see Mr Lake.

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to Prize Day taking place on Tuesday 15th May 2007, Year 11 pupils are NOT REQUIRED to attend school on that day unless they have an exam or have been awarded a prize.

CLEARWOOD UK ARCHITECTURAL BURSARY 2007-2008

Clearwood UK have awarded a £3,000 bursary to 'The Lord Lieutenant's Fund for Youth in Cornwall' for students from Cornwall who need support in their ambitions to study architecture.

Any pupils interested in this area of study and for whom financial support may be appreciated can apply for a grant from the Clearwood UK Architectural Bursary by Tuesday, 12th June, at the address below:

The Lord Lieutenant's Fund for Youth, C/o Cornwall Community Foundation The Orchard Market Street Launceston Cornwall PL15 8AU

For further details please see Mr Lake.

STAR PUPIL – ZETA BAILEY



Zeta Bailey a Year 11 pupil at Poltair receiving her Youth Citizen's Award from the Mayor of Restormel, Councillor Mrs Denise Mutton.

Congratulations to Zeta on this well deserved award.