



# SPOTLIGHT



Parents' Information Newsletter

Issue 8  
Summer Term 2012

Dear Parent/Carer

St. Austell Education Trust

As you will already know, the school recently made proposals to change the status of the school. It is proposed to become a foundation school, whilst at the same time setting up a mutual, co-operative educational trust. The aim is to allow the school's governors and leadership to better meet the challenges of the present and future. The four week public consultation has now ended and has involved a series of focused meetings with stakeholders plus an extensive round of additional enquiry through the distribution of leaflets and questionnaires.

The evidence collected has been compiled into a draft report. This was presented to the Governing Body on Tuesday of this week. Overall, the vast majority of viewpoints expressed were in favour of the proposals. With this in mind, the Governing Body resolved to move to the next stage of the process. This is to enter a period of statutory consultation which will begin on Monday 18th June and will last for four weeks.

I would like to thank every member of our learning community who has already engaged with this process and in particular those who attended meetings or completed a questionnaire. Those of you who provided additional written comments will receive a personal communication in the near future.

Best wishes.

**Stephen Tong**  
Headteacher

## DATES FOR DIARY

**Monday 25th June**

Sports Day

**Wednesday 27th June**

Par Athletics Years 7 – 10 (1.00 – 5.30 pm)

**Thursday 28th June**

Reserve Sports Day

**Friday 6th July**

Staff Training Day – no pupils in school

**Monday 9th July to Friday 13th July**

Work Experience Yr10 & Activities Week Yr7-9

## Unwanted Items of School uniform

If you have any clean unwanted items eg sweatshirts, shirts/blouses or trousers/skirts these would be gratefully received. Please pass in to the school reception.

Please note that the weekly Spotlight and any archived Spotlights, together with news items, are available to view or download from the school website [www.poltairschool.co.uk](http://www.poltairschool.co.uk)

*Deltair School*  
**Class of 2012**  
**Year 11 Ball**  
*Friday 13th July 2012*  
 7.00 pm-11.30 pm  
 The Seahorse Centre, Pentewan Sands  
 Cost of Admission - £25




**Year 11 Ball Prices**

£25 for the ball  
 £15 for the yearbook  
 or £35 for both together.

First break in the Admin Office  
 from Mrs Chard.

Amazing Opportunity  
 'Open to all'




**History Trip to:**

**AUSCHWITZ**

**POLAND**

**8<sup>TH</sup> - 11<sup>TH</sup> July 2013**  
**(Next Year's Activities Week)**  
**£370**

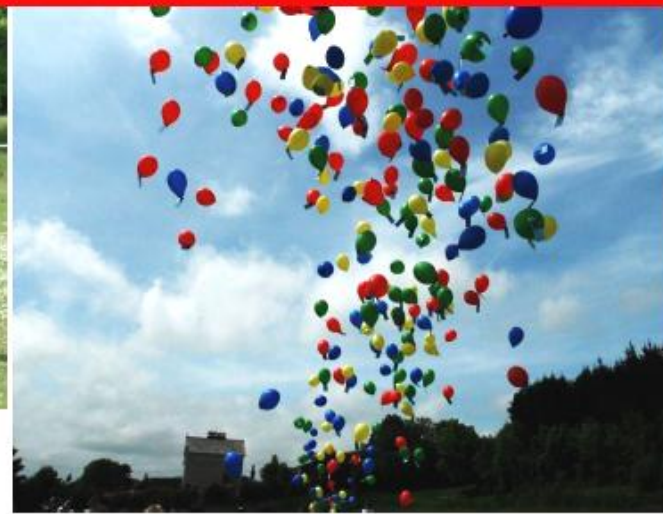


England football team on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2012

First deposit - £120  
 20<sup>th</sup> July 2012  
 See Miss Venn for  
 more details

## TEWINGTON

## TREVERBYN



### BALLOON RACE – THURSDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY

From 9.30am balloons began to be filled with helium in preparation for Poltair School's first balloon release! The balloons were filled and placed into a net by a team made up of a mix of staff and Year 11's during the course of the morning. In the 4 house colours - green representing Trenance, blue representing Tewington, red representing Treverbyn and yellow representing Tregrehan. Pupils from all four houses, plus staff, had been buying balloons over the past few weeks in the hope of winning first prize of £100 by having their balloon being sent back from the furthest away point.

As 1pm drew closer, the balloons moved up onto the field, accompanied by the Year 11's, eager to celebrate their time at Poltair and say goodbye to the last 5 years. As the crowds began to gather, both staff and pupils stopped in their tracks to watch the release and the 10 second countdown began. Laura Fenner and Sam Cross (this year's Head Boy and Head Girl) were tasked with releasing the balloons, as 1pm hit, the cord was pulled and balloons released into the sky in an array of colour.

This will be an annual event with the balloons going on sale as soon as we come back in September 2012.... More details to follow!

If you find one of the balloons then please return the label to Poltair!

Miss Owens

### TEWINGTON HOUSE 'FINE DINING EVENING'

On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2012, Poltair School played host to Tewington House's fine dining experience. Over 80 pupils and members of staff enjoyed a wonderful evening eating the finest foods, watching the best live music and finishing with a movie. The evening was enjoyed by all and is looking to expand to the whole school next year!

Mr Foster



## TRENANCE

## TREGREHAN



# HOUSE STARS



TEWINGTON

*Kayna Oliver*  
8LS

For being polite, friendly,  
hardworking and positive.

*Vanessa Matere*  
10KH

For being positive, kind and a  
caring member of the  
tutor group.

TREVERBYN

*Matthew Horsfield*  
9KW

For his excellent and positive  
attitude.

*Emily Penny*  
10DT

For her excellent work in  
Geography and Science and for  
always following the 5Ps.

TRENANCE

*Tia Pinnington*  
8JH

For an excellent set of reports  
and for always following the 5 Ps.

*Jade Truman*  
10HV

For positive attitude.

TREGREHAN

*Joshua Varker*  
7SHP

No behaviour points, no lates  
and almost full attendance.

*Sarah Walsh*  
10KR

For her positive attitude and  
supporting others.