



# SPOTLIGHT



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Parents' Information Newsletter

# AWARDS EVENING



Special Award Winners

Special award winners  
Poltair awards evening Nov 2013  
Photo: Paul Williams

Last Thursday, current and past pupils celebrated outstanding achievements at the school's annual Awards Evening where over 400 guests, pupils, teachers and parents were in attendance.

The evening started at 5.15pm with the presentation of examination certificates to ex-Year 11 pupils with moving tributes and words of advice from the four Heads of House, Mr Foster, Mrs Bond, Miss Owens and Miss Sullivan.

At 7.30pm the main awards ceremony began where awards were presented for outstanding achievement and endeavour in the full range of subject areas, top students in each House and Governor Awards for remarkable determination to succeed.

The Governor's Award for 'all round contribution' to the school went to ex-Year 11 pupil, Abby Crane who Deputy Headteacher, Miss White described as a pupil who made the most of every opportunity at school and someone always willing to support the school in anyway asked of her.

The Headteacher's Award went to current Year 11 pupil, Tori Marks who collected five awards in total on the evening. Stephen Tong, Headteacher made reference to the exceptional academic and sporting abilities of Tori.

Ben Bassett, Charlotte Grigg and Ryan Collins all received at least four awards representing remarkable achievements across a range of subjects.

The awards were presented by Alan Wroath, who entertained the audience with his keynote speech about the considerable improvement journey the school has been on and the importance of being proud of where you came from.

The audience were entertained with exceptional musical performances from Andreia Bras, Daniel Hall, Chloe Jarvis and Adam Northcott.

Mr Tong, spoke of his pride and privilege at leading such an inclusive and hardworking school and praised the successes and achievements of all the students in attendance.



Tori Marks presented with the Headteacher's Award



Tori Marks and Dan Marks presented with the House Cup for Trenance

## DIARY DATES

**Tuesday 17 December**  
Cinema Rewards Trip

**Friday 20 December**  
Celebration Assembly  
Santa Run  
School closes at 1.00 pm

**Monday 6 January**  
All pupils return

**Friday 24 January**  
Staff Training day  
No pupils in school

# 'Project Ability'

A group of selected pupils from Poltair attended the first of three sessions of the new programme called 'Project Ability' which is being delivered in conjunction with the Youth Sports Trust and the Mid Cornwall Sports Network. The pupils attended Newquay Treviglas 'Sports Hub' and took part in wheelchair basketball, boccia, archery, seated volleyball and football.

Feedback from the pupils was fantastic and they are all excited about the next events.

*"The day was great; it was good to see the Paralympics sports, from my point of view. I would love to do some more wheelchair basketball."*  
Jordan, Year 10

*"Enjoyable and different"* Marcisse, Year 10

A huge well done to all pupils who attended. The next session which is based at Duchy College takes place on Friday 28 February.



## Taekwon-do

Hi

We are Shannon (8GO) and Jack (7KH) and we attend a martial arts class called Taekwon-do. The classes run at Bodmin Boxing Club and Bugle Hall. We take part in competitions, sponsored bag packs, go out as a group and have fun. We go everywhere for competitions and we both compete together. We have brought home lots of trophies and medals from the competitions. We owe a lot to our instructors Mr Best and Mr Morgan



(who was a past pupil at Poltair). They are both 2nd Dan black belt. Whereas we are green belt (Shannon) and blue tag (Jack).

**What sport do you do outside of school?**

**Please let Mr Mack know.**

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POLTAIR

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Event Details  
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Location: Poltair School

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