

Festival of Cornish Brass

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On Saturday 3rd February I performed with St Austell Youth Band in the Festival of Cornish Brass; organised by the Cornwall Brass Band Association. Fellow Poltair Pupils Paul White, Lewis White and Rohan Cuesta Dunn also play for the Youth Band and they too performed at this event. A total of 14 bands performed at the festival which was held at St Michaels Church in Newquay; it was packed throughout the day.

I play the Soprano Cornet - I have been playing the Cornet since I was 5 years old, however I have only been playing the soprano for the last year. The Youth Band, led by Anna Minear, currently has 32 young players from various schools in the area.

I really enjoyed the experience, although I was very nervous and shaky; especially when I had to play a solo part in one of our pieces! The pieces we played were Also Sprach Zarathustra, Shenandoah, The Bare Necessities, A Gaelic Blessing (my favourite piece as this is the one that features my solo) and Glasnost.

My solo, featured at the end of the piece, required me to hold the last note for as long as I could (without passing out) - I managed to hold it for a total of 14 beats. The compere, Leonard Adams, said that "with talent like you in the band it has a great future ahead".

I would encourage anyone to learn to play a musical instrument, it has been a great way for me to make friends and has opened new possibilities for me.

Calendar Dates



March 8th
Curriculum Enrichment Day



March 9th
Non-Uniform Day/World Book Day
(Rescheduled from 1st)

March 15th
Year 9 Parents Evening

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March 26th/27th

Tickets: Adult £5 Child £3

Year 11 Maths Revision

Year 11 parents - please see your email or the school website (link below) for weekly GCSE Maths revision questions to help your child.

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To celebrate and encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we will be running a sponsored read between Thursday 1st March and Wednesday 7th March 2018

The project is being organised in conjunction with our local Usborne Organiser, Nicola Caust, and all the money raised will go towards brand new books for our school.

In addition to the sponsorship money, Usborne will also donate up to 60% of the total raised in **EXTRA FREE BOOKS** to the school. So for every £600 raised, we will get an extra £360 in **FREE** Usborne books!

Please help us to enhance our reading resources for pupils by encouraging your child to spend a small amount of time each day either reading to themselves, to others, or being read to. They can read books, comics, magazines, newspapers, menus, websites, recipes, poems, leaflets, instructions – anything with words!

Letters containing all information, along with sponsorship forms, have been sent home.

Year 7 Science - Recycling Project

Congratulations to Miss Spicer's year 7 science class for their hard work in collecting plastics to recycle. Students are learning about how plastics are affecting food chains in different ecosystems. Their focus today was to create a plastic ocean using plastic they had recycled themselves.

Well done to Harry Wharmby, Aaron Davies and Leland Bertrand for collecting an abundant amount of plastic waste!



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