

Christmas at Poltair

Hamper Appeal

As you might be aware for a number of years, Poltair has supported the community with a Hamper Appeal which offers support to families who may struggle over the Christmas period. This year we aim to go bigger than ever before, with the hampers containing sustainable food items, as well as fresh food for a Christmas lunch, toiletries and some additional goodies. Tutor groups will be helping by bringing assigned items to donate where possible, but please only give if you can. Donations can be brought into school and placed in the canteen where they will be sorted.

The deadline for the Hamper appeal is Thursday 18th December and this will also be the day for collection.

If you need any help or support this Christmas, please do not hesitate to reach out to aparsons@poltair.celtrust.org or call 01726 874530 Ext 2534

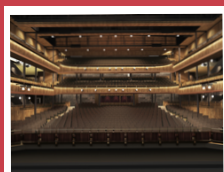
Coat Exchange

We are excited to share that our school will be hosting a Community Coat Exchange. Families are invited to donate gently used coats of any size, and anyone in need is welcome to pick up a coat at no cost. As the weather turns colder, this event helps ensure that every member of our community stays warm and supported. Thank you for your generosity and for helping us care for one another during this time of year.

Donations are welcome anytime and students are invited to come to Student Services week beginning Monday 8th December if they would like to choose a coat from the Exchange.



Winter Concert
9th December



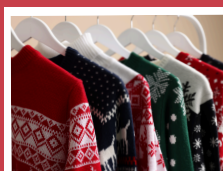
Year 7 Pantomime Trip
15th December



The Great Poltair Baking Competition!
16th December



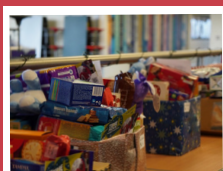
Christmas Lunch Day
17th December



Christmas Jumper Day
17th December



Cinema Trip
18th December



Hamper Appeal
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Santa Fun Run
19th December

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What's on at Poltair this

Christmas

With the festive season approaching, we are pleased to outline the celebrations taking place throughout December.

Week Commencing 8th December

Wreath Making

Students will have an opportunity within tutor time, during the week commencing 8th December, to help design a Christmas Tutor Wreath which will then decorate the main hall. This is a simple way of decorating the school without it being too overwhelming.



Tuesday 9th December

Young Carer Event

Poltair will be hosting an event for our Young Carers which is led by Mrs Harvey our Young Carer Operational Lead, where these students will be completing Christmas activities and having an opportunity to spend time together. If you feel your child would meet the criteria for a Young Carer, please email Mrs Harvey; charvey@poltair.celtrust.org.

Winter Concert Performance

As if the snow last week hadn't reminded you already... winter is very much on the way - which can only mean one thing: it's almost time for our Winter Concert!

We are excited to invite you to our annual Winter Concert, showcasing the wonderful talents of our students. They have been working hard to prepare a festive programme of music and performance that is sure to brighten the season as we come together to celebrate our students and the joy of winter. Unfortunately, all tickets have now sold out for this event.




 Poltair's Winter Concert 2024

Friday 12th December (Years 7-10) & Tuesday 16th December (Year 11)

Rewards Assemblies

Each Year Group will have their Christmas Rewards Assembly where learners will be entertained by our fabulous Howler's singing group. Subject award badges will be presented as well as additional prizes and awards, including a trip to the cinema for the top merit earners in each Year Group.



 Year 8 Rewards Assembly

Monday 15th December

Year 7 Pantomime Trip

Our Year 7 students will be taking an exciting trip to Hall for Cornwall to enjoy a festive pantomime performance. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to experience live theatre and share in the fun and energy of a classic seasonal show. We look forward to a memorable day that brings laughter, learning, and a bit of holiday magic.



Tuesday 16th December

The Great Poltair Christmas Cake Decorating Competition

We are delighted to announce The Great Poltair Christmas Cake Decorating Competition! Students are invited to explore their creativity and festive spirit by designing and decorating their very own Christmas cakes in school (Everything is provided for them).

This fun and cheerful event is a wonderful way to celebrate the season, and we can't wait to see the imaginative creations. All interested students need to contact Miss Mounce, cmounce@poltair.celtrust.org



Wednesday 17th December

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday is our whole school Christmas Lunch. We would like to invite all learners to be able to sit with staff and their friends and have lunch together wearing a Christmas jumper; if students do not wish to wear a Christmas jumper then full school uniform is expected.

Christmas lunch is free for all this year! However, if you would like to support by covering the cost of your child's meal or that of another student, you can do so via our 'Christmas Donation' option on ParentPay. We will organise the lunch in sittings to avoid too much hustle and bustle (And help our busy kitchen elves). There will be music and decorations to add to the overall experience.

Lessons 1 and 4 will be as normal, activities with their tutors will take place during lessons 2 and 3. If your child requires any special dietary requirements or eating arrangements, please let us know by completing the form via the link below:

[**Poltair School - Christmas Lunch Dietary Requirements or Eating Arrangements Form**](#)



Christmas lunch is the only meal available during Break 2, therefore if your child would not like the Christmas Lunch, please advise them to bring a packed lunch or purchase food during Break 1. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, they can use this for their Christmas Lunch during their lunchtime slot.



Thursday 18th December

Hamper Collection Day

For the families that have approached us for help, throughout the day the school will be open for you to come in and collect your hampers.

Cinema Trip

This is the day of our Cinema reward trip! The 30 students in each Year Group with the highest number of merits will be invited. Learners will walk down to WTW cinema in St Austell (Minibus also available where necessary) and watch a film. Students are more than welcome to bring some treats in from home or purchase refreshments sold at the cinema.



Friday 19th December

The Final Day

Friday will be a Non-School Uniform Day, however, we kindly request that all attire remains appropriate for the school environment (*no crop tops, spaghetti straps, vests, miniskirts, or hot pants please*). Students will attend tutor time, lessons 1 and 2 as normal but lessons 3 and 4 will see a tutor Christmas activity and the famous Santa Fun Run which is our annual charity event for Cornwall Hospice Care and Little Harbour.

Santa hats are available to purchase via ParentPay for a donation of £2.00 and all money collected will be given directly to the charity. Santa hats purchased will be distributed to students during the school day. Please can we make you aware that the school day will finish at the usual time of 3:15pm. There will be no after-school clubs or enhancements buses available.



 Fun Run 2024

Monday 5th January

Spring Term Begins

A reminder that, after the Christmas holidays, students will return to school for the start of the Spring Term on Monday 5th January 2026.

