Dear Parents and Carers

Gosh, the last newsletter of this academic year – and how quickly it has gone by! We have said our goodbyes to a wonderful Year 11, celebrated successes like never before (more on this later) and worked with our community in so many ways; raising money for various causes; hosting events for the elderly; celebrating the Jubilee and cooking for the Queen!!

Another wonderful accolade this term has been our ‘good practice’ visit from Ofsted, hosted by our Outstanding History department. The inspector who visited in 2010 returned and said lots of wonderful things that included: ‘Students are highly successful in their historical studies: they make outstanding progress and achieve exceptionally well’ and ‘Attainment in GCSE examinations has been consistently well above average for several years with an impressive increase in the proportion of students obtaining A* and A grades’. We were obviously very proud of this!

You will see in the Cornishman this week that our ‘green’ credentials have been truly recognised – winning the schools sustainability awards and last week, contributing to the world record water rocket challenge! Alongside all this enrichment, we also continue to focus our efforts and time on the academic achievements of our students, recognising the superb progress that they are making and we look forward to some of our best results this summer.

I’d like to take this opportunity to say an enormous thank you to everyone at Cape and to wish everyone a lovely and well deserved break.

Julie Nash

Cape Cooks for the Queen

We were absolutely delighted when we found out that Cape was selected as one of four finalists in the Cook for the Queen Competition. This was a national competition set by the Duchess of Cornwall and over 200 schools entered.

Our winning team accompanied by Mrs Bates, Mrs Chamberlain and Mr Lane, were served lunch at Clarence House, before heading to Buckingham Palace to assist Royal Chefs recreate their winning recipes and to help serve them at a special reception attended by The Queen and other dignitaries.

‘I’m still pinching myself’ said Year 10 student Jasmine Scrase. ‘I shook hands with The Queen and she asked me about the food that we had cooked. We also got to meet Jamie Oliver, Rick Stein, Prue Leith and all the Masterchef judges and got some of their signatures’.

Our students had to research dishes that have royal links, using ingredients that are in season, and represent Cornwall. They looked at the type of canapés that have been served at previous state occasions, and thought about what might be symbolic for the event itself. Each member of the party was presented with a special commemorative apron.

‘It was a magical, once-in-a-lifetime event and made us very proud to see our students cooking with such skill’ said Mrs Bates, Head of Food Technology.

‘We have such talented students here at Cape, and teachers who really care about them, and who go out of their way to provide opportunities that will challenge and inspire them. I’m so proud of them!’ said Mrs Nash

Congratulations to: Joe Adams, Jack Etheridge, Ayeshia Holden, Cameron Ness, Gwilym Pritchard, Jasmine Scrase, Chris Trembath, Sequoia Trevorrow and Ryan House, who all worked very hard to win this amazing competition.

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Olympic Enrichment Day
Earlier this month, students in years 7-9 enjoyed an Olympic themed enrichment experience organised by staff from across the school.

The event began with an opening ceremony on Thursday afternoon with the clear message that the focus was to promote the three core Olympic values: excellence; friendship; respect. This included a film of some great Olympians and a visit from local Olympic torch bearer Geoff Letchford. Following this, excited students were split into mixed year Olympic teams and spent the remainder of the afternoon researching their Olympic country and thinking about what makes effective team workers.

By Friday morning there was a real sense of team spirit and determination in the air! Many students (and staff) arrived at school dressed in the colours of their country's flag and, after a team talk to reinforce the focus for the day, split up to partake in different workshops. There were 12 different workshops which included: Olympic medal making; learning how to fence; making junk model stadiums; and cooking healthy snacks for winners. At the end of each workshop, student teams were scored on their team work skills and throughout the day bonus points were awarded by Cape’s very own walking, talking Olympic torch for excellent team work practice and speaking in the language of their country.

Just as the experience had opened, it ended with a closing ceremony. Following country evaluations of the day, students gathered in the school hall and eagerly awaited the final scores. As the top three teams were announced, their country’s reworked Olympic anthems were played (courtesy of one of the workshops), and winning team members were presented with medals by head teacher, Mrs Nash. As the day came to a close there was a real sense that lots of learning had taken place and that this had, in every sense, been a true enrichment experience.

Mrs Hill

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Lauren’s achievement in Music
Congratulations to Lauren Sweeny in Year 7 who has won a place at the South West Music School. The organisers were so impressed with her violin playing at the audition she went to that they accepted her onto a course called the Feeder Scheme Plus. This means that she is able to attend 6 two day music courses throughout the year, covering a range of different musical styles. Lauren has also recently performed in Birmingham Symphony Hall. Both of these things are massive achievements. Well done Lauren.

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Camera Obscura Project
In a collaborative project with Penwith College we have created a camera obscura. This is an optical device that projects an image of its surroundings on to a screen. As a concept it was originally used in drawing and painting and was one of the inventions that led to the invention of photography and the camera. The device consists of a box with a hole in one side. Light from an external scene passes through the hole and strikes a surface inside where it is reproduced, upside-down, but with colour and perspective preserved. The image can be projected onto paper, and can then be traced to produce an accurate representation.

The project was made possible by sponsorship from a number of local companies David Lay, K&A Joinery, Spider Eye, Build Centre, PA Wilkins & Co. David Lay, the key sponsor said, "I am blown away by the detail and the obvious amount of work that has been put into this project. I am delighted that not only will this well-crafted piece of equipment be used at the Golowan and lafrowda festival this year but that it will be used long after to help students understand the principles of photography."

The camera obscura is excellent and can be used again and again at different events and as a teaching resource.

Mr Dyer

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Twitter
If you have not already joined us on Twitter, you will not have been getting Mrs Nash’s tweet’s regarding all the great things that are going on here at Cape at the moment ........ and you will have missed two fantastic photo blogs: the first from Mrs Jaggard when she and Mr Lamin took a group of students sailing to the Isle of White and another from Miss Trevatthen when she, Miss Brown and Mr Lamin (again – lucky him!) went to the French Alps.

Follow us at: https://twitter.com/#!/capeschool
Mr Belling opens new IT ‘Belling Suite’
Mr Richard Belling was in school this week to officially open our fantastic new state of the art IT suite, which has been named in his honour. Mr Belling, whose family made their name selling cookers, has in recent years, set up a Trust which helps small schools achieve their ICT goals, by funding computers and other ICT equipment. Cape is the first secondary school the Trust has helped.

After Mr Belling’s first visit he wrote ‘I don’t remember in all the years we have been helping schools, one with such a good OFSTED report, in such desperate need of help with their IT’

His visit this week was to a transformed room – phase 1 of the project, and he was absolutely delighted to see students enjoying the new facilities and to chat with them about what a difference it has and will make to their learning. ‘In my day, it was easy to leave school and get into the sort of work you wanted’ he said ‘Nowadays it is very much harder – young people have a lot more to prove, in an ever competitive market. Facilities like these will enable you to enjoy your learning and to progress, so that when you leave school you have the confidence and skills needed for the next step on your learning or career path’.

Our Year 10 French Group, who were they first students to see and use the room were flabbergasted:
’It’s amazing! A real improvement’ “I think that the pupils will really respect the facilities’ Caitlin Eley

‘It looks nice. I never wanted to go on these computers before because they were slow and looked bad. I’m going to be using them much more now” Richard Wardle

‘It’s much better than before and has helped more people be interested in the computers - it’s a productive learning space’ Chloe Payne,

Spring Holiday Consultation
You may have heard that Cornwall Council are currently consulting on a proposal to fix the spring (Easter) holiday to the same two weeks each year so that it won’t necessarily be attached to the Easter weekend.

Cornwall Council are keen to ensure that parents/carers in particular are aware of this consultation and have their say as the response rate from this group is lower than others at the moment.

How can I get more information/share my views?
Online: www.cornwall.gov.uk/termdates
By post: School Organisation Officer, Camel Building, New County Hall, Truro. TR1 3AY
By email: schoolconsultations@cornwall.gov.uk

Please note, the consultation ends on 24 July,

Algae at the Big Bang
Our fantastic science department was recently awarded £3000 from the Royal Society to run a project looking at the potential of algae as a biofuel by turning this photosynthesising organism into a fuel by extracting oil from within. The project which aims to inspire pupils about renewable energy, and in particular bio fuels has caught the attention of the national media, appearing on the BBC News website back in January when the project was launched (check out http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-16433024) and more recently on Spotlight News when we showcased our project at the Big Bang South West Exhibition at Exeter University. This was a great day, and students from Years 7 and 8 were able to get involved with interactive workshops from exhibitors from all facets of science and engineering. Well done to Ollie and Dewi for representing Cape so well on TV!

Miss Walker
Stargazing

Following on from their Science topic on the Earth and the Universe for GCSE Physics, Year 9 had the amazing opportunity to join The Explorer Dome for one of their Space shows on the origin and evolution of space and stars - cosmology, constellations and the possibility of other worlds.

With the lack of clear skies in St Just lately, we decided to bring in a visiting planetarium. The inflatable dome was perfect - the presenters created an excellent show and our students were keen to share their understanding of space.

Pupils from Years 4 and 5 from St Just Primary also came over to experience the show and thoroughly impressed the presenters with their knowledge – we are looking forward to some brilliant physicists in a couple of years time!

Miss Long

DesignEd in Cornwall Exhibition

In June the Design and Technology Department exhibited at the fifth annual DESIGNED IN CORNWALL exhibition at University College Falmouth. This three-day event showcases the outstanding design and technology work produced by students at schools and Higher Education colleges across Cornwall and is the only large-scale exhibition of its kind in the country.

This year Cape was highly commended for GCSE Product Design and for its display. The Year 10 'Cook for The Queen' entry won the best GCSE Food Technology Project.

Mrs Bates

A View from the Chair

"A small school with big ambitions; a gem; a jewel in the crown" This how Cape Cornwall School has been variously described, and it is certainly deserving of all these accolades.

After several Headteachers had come and gone in a short space of time, Mrs Julie Nash became the Head in September 2011. Her professional, purposeful and transparent style of Leadership has considerably improved the stability and raised the expectations of a calm and happy school, where all students can learn and make progress.

Fundamental changes are being introduced in the pursuit of high expectations.

There have been many successes for our students, well documented in the regular school publication, and in the local and national press.

Mrs Nash has gained the full respect of staff, students, governors and parents, and says that she has thoroughly enjoyed her first year, in spite of some difficult decisions which she has had to make.

I was delighted when Mrs Nash was invited recently by Plymouth Local Authority to speak to a group of primary and secondary senior leaders on her first one hundred days at Cape! This group are aspiring to become headteachers themselves and Mrs Nash had done a lot of work with Plymouth LA and the National College before she came to Cape. She told them what a fantastic school she was working in with wonderful students, staff, governors and parents.

Not too many people opt for the immense pressure associated with the role of HT, so Mrs Nash reassured them that with a school like Cape it is a most rewarding and fulfilling experience. I am really proud that this small school is being recognised for its excellent reputation.

I was privileged to be invited to the Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall’s recent Garden Party to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee and HRH Prince Charles’ accession to the Dukedom of Cornwall. I was introduced to the Duchess of Cornwall and she spoke in very complimentary terms about our students who won a national competition to "cook for the Queen" in Buckingham Palace. The students had invited her to visit the school and I said I thought our Headteacher would endorse that!!

So we are aiming to provide a whole meaningful and enjoyable learning journey for each one of our students. Governors are confident that under the continuing excellent Leadership of Mrs Julie Nash and the Senior Team and the total commitment of all the teaching and support staff, this ambition will certainly be achieved.

Gill Joyce - Chair of Governors
We are VERY proud to win this award and in order to extend our ‘green’ credentials further, aim to reduce our printing significantly over the next 6 months and would like to send this newsletter and other information by email where possible.

If you can help us in this way, please send your email address to: lkellas@cape.cornwall.sch.uk

Cape Recognised for Sustainability Initiatives

Cape has been recognised for its environmental and community work at the new Cornwall Sustainability Awards for Schools, which aims to celebrate the work done by schools to improve sustainability and inspire pupils. As well as winning three awards; Healthy Eating, Global Dimension and Local well-being, we were absolutely delighted to be crowned overall winners!

Award organiser Rachel Delourme from CLEBP said: "What an amazing first year this has been for the awards. "It was a tough decision naming the overall winner as several applications were exceptional. The judges singled out Cape Cornwall School for their:

- Work in the local area, including the delivery of 200 hampers to lonely, vulnerable and isolated people.
- Work within the community on projects with groups including the St Just in Bloom committee and the Cornwall Wildlife Trust.
- Fantastic initiatives, such as working with local food producers to inspire pupils to make healthy meals.
- Links with a school in Brittany
- Work with Warrens Bakery to teach French exchange students how to make pasties.

Other projects, such as cooking lunch for elderly residents at the Age UK centre in St Just, also caught the judges attention in what was an outstanding application!"

The awards were sponsored by Plug into the Sun, Wadebridge Renewal Energy Network (WREN), Forest Fuels, Rick Stein’s Seafood Restaurant, SITA, Truro and Penwith College, Woodland Valley Farm, MIDAS, John Hill – Scrap Attack and Henry Orchard and Sons.

Please check out these videos to see just why we won at: http://vimeo.com/45646843

Guinness World Record Rocket Launch

Last week a group of Year 8 students took part in an attempt organised by the University of Lancashire to complete the most water bottle rocket launches in a 24-hour period.

With a target of 1,000 launches, Cape Cornwall and schools up and down the country completed 2,575 and are waiting on official confirmation.

The pupils were really pleased and quite excited to have actually taken part in a Guinness world record attempt. Although we made 19 launches, three failed, so our contribution to the final total was 16.

We had to stop then because our bicycle pump broke – I bet that doesn’t happen at NASA.

Mrs Lewis

Through Jacksons Eyes: Thurs 19th July 8pm at Cape Cornwall School Hall

An introduction by Kurt Jackson of his film showing 10 years of painting. Animation by St Just Primary School. Refreshments.

Macbeths 3 witches – with a hidden message

This piece of work was created by students from Years 7,8,9, 10 and 11 for Shakespeare Inspires Cornwall Secondary Art Exhibition which was part of an exhibition held at Falmouth University recently. Pupils decided to send a message to Cornwall Council through their art work - following the changes to rubbish and household waste collections in the SW area. Within our exhibit the three witches have become ‘the three bags’, rather than the three ‘hags’. The colours also represent the new recycle bags residents are supposed to use. We added signs showing the days of the week which represent the confusion over the new collection days! The materials used are appropriately all recycled rubbish! All groups were very imaginative and displayed great team skills. The piece of art work was greatly admired by the public and by organiser Amanda Harris Cornwall’s KEAP.

Mrs Beamish
Rona Experience

The Rona Sailing Project is one of the oldest Sail Training organisations in the UK, established for over 50 years. Every year, it takes around six hundred young people to sea for a week of offshore sailing adventure and teamwork in our three purpose-built sail training yachts. Most people join with little or no sailing experience but nearly all find it a life-changing experience. This year, on a combined trip with Humphry Davy School, four of our students, along with Mrs Jaggard and Mr Lamin, travelled with them around the Isle of Wight.

“Our small group of adventurous sailors successfully circumnavigated the Isle of Wight, threading our way close by the treacherous needles in thick fog and battling strong winds in heavy seas. The voyage was a test of our seamanship and fortitude in testing conditions above and below deck – with some unable to resist the old ’mal-de-mer’! Our crew’s abilities increased forthwith, gaining knowledge and strength and great seamanship. It was an amazing journey and the memories will treasure forever by one and all”.

Mrs Jaggard

School Uniform and PE Kit
Please see below for details of what your child should wear from September.

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All uniform and PE Kit is available from Reception. Most uniform items are in stock, although we are still awaiting delivery of PE kit. If you would like your child to try on uniform, please ask them to come to reception at quiet times. The best times are lunchtime or after 3.15pm.

Order forms are also available for download from our website at: www.cape.cornwall.sch.uk (click on parental information and then useful forms and booklets.)

Class of 2012
At the beginning of June our Year 11 students were joined by staff and governors to enjoy a special breakfast event. This was followed by an assembly in which every student was given a presentation folder of their Record of Achievement and many students were given individual ‘tongue-in-cheek’ prizes to recognise their individual achievements and qualities.

Then at the end of the month, to mark the end of their GCSEs, they attended their Leavers Ball at Lands End. Many arrived in unique style (From bicycles to classic cars and even a beautifully decorated tractor!) and all had a great time. We wish all our Class of 2012 the very best for the future.
Robbie Wins Surf Award

Three pupils from Cape participated in the UK's first ever surf competition for people with learning disabilities, at Fistral beach last month in an event organised by the Wave Project and had a fantastic day. It was a wonderful day for raising self-esteem and aspirations for all students regardless of ability and made a real difference to people who took part. All the people who took part were fantastic and braved some pretty tough conditions.

But it was our very own Robbie Turner beat off stiff competition to scoop the top prize, beating pupils from across the county. "I was asked to represent Cape Cornwall School in the competition. I had to surf as many waves as possible and was very proud to win," he said. Congratulations also to Jamie Dallimore, who reached the semi-finals.

Mrs Hamshaw

Sir Isaac Newton Visits Cape

Year 8 students recently met Sir Isaac Newton is a fast moving, hugely informative, and very funny one-man-show. A temporarily resurrected Sir Isaac Newton exploded into the room and told students of his life and achievements as well as demonstrating (frequently using members of the audience as volunteers) many of his ground breaking theories and discoveries - with lots of squirmingly corny jokes along the way. He entertained and inspired even the least scientifically minded. Our Year 8s really enjoyed the show, and were amazed at how much you can learn from someone so very very old, and at how much fun science can be...

Mr Kellas

Construction and Creation

For World Book Day this year we decided to have a change from an author talking to us about their book and set out to write one of our own. The brief was to celebrate Dickens’ bicentennial and to produce work of imagination and detail. KS3 pupils took part in a creative writing workshop to produce stories no longer than 200 words in length. The stories were sent away to be published and the end result is a dazzling collection which is illustrated throughout by another talented pupil. We are very proud of the pupils’ achievements. Copies can be purchased from the school Library at the very reasonable cost of £3.00.

Mrs Armstrong

Year 10 Alps Trip

Earlier this month 25 Year 10 Geography students started their long journey towards the French Alps. We left school at 11:00am and we arrived at our hotel on Tuesday 10th July at 2:00pm. We stayed in a beautiful hotel in La Clusaz called Hotel Carlina. On arrival we had lunch and then we travelled to a nearby zip line. This was our first clear glimpse of the towering Alps. On Wednesday 11th July we took a cable car ride to a height of 3842m and we had a perfect view of Mont Blanc and the surrounding landscape. The view was breath-taking! In the afternoon we travelled to Switzerland and enjoyed a walk along the Emosson Dam. On Thursday 12th July we went white water rafting along the river Dranse followed by a visit to the Mer De Glace glacier. On our final day we visited a farm in the mountains, which produced cheese. We sat in the sun and enjoyed some cheese. We then waved goodbye to La Clusaz and started our journey home. The students on the trip were great company and their behaviour was impeccable. Thanks must also go to Miss Brown and Mr Lamin for all their help. I hope everyone enjoys their summer break and thank you for a wonderful time.

Miss Trevarthen.

Miss Stephens’ Raffle

Many thanks to all contributors to raffle over £95 raised for PFTA and Age Concern.
New Intake Day

On July 5th, all of our new Year 7s came in for the day to meet their tutor and their tutor group. They also experienced a French lesson, a Maths lesson, a PE lesson and a double practical Science lesson – all lessons were supported by our lovely Year 9 peer mentors. A great day was had by all. When asked how they feel about coming to Cape in September, some of our of the Year 7s said:

- Very excited and really happy that I know my tutor
- Nervous, but excited at the same time!
- I can't wait
- Very, very, very good!!!
- Really confident
- I am looking forward to it because it will mean more challenges

We really enjoyed meeting you all and we look forward to seeing you again in September!  

Mini-Lit Quiz

Last week pupils in Years 5 and 6 from Penwith primary schools took part in our popular annual Mini Lit Quiz. The quiz aims to be an enjoyable way of testing children’s knowledge of books, and this year’s contestants showed an admirable breadth of reading, with questions falling into eight categories, including Bestsellers, Cats, Classics, Dogs, Friends and Fantastical creatures.

After much excitement, the clear winners were Pensans 1. Pensans 2 and St Buryan 2 both tied for second place, and a tense tie-breaker saw Pensans 2 just come out on top. Congratulations to all the teams who took part.

Thank you to Jake, who was an impressive Quizmaster, making himself heard above the torrential rain drumming on the roof; to the teachers from the primaries, who found themselves unexpectedly recruited as markers, and who did a fantastic job; to Carly and Tilda for all the running about; and to Oran and Abe, official photographers extraordinaire. Roll on next year!

Year 4 and 5 Gifted and Talented Day

On Thursday 32 Year 4 and 5s students came into school to enjoy a Gifted and Talented workshop in English. The workshop was run and created by the Year 8 students. Year 4 and 5s had to create an advert on something you normally would not advertise such as worms and snails! They all managed this extremely well and everyone had a great time and good fun!

By Seth Godden and Daniel Butterfield

Student Leadership Team

This term, prefects have had the opportunity to apply for the positions of Head Boy and Girl, and Deputy Head Boy and Girl. They were asked to submit formal applications, before a short list of candidates was drawn up for interview. There was a strong field of applicants and all candidates did themselves proud, but after final deliberations four students were appointed who showed a real commitment to the Cape school community and had some great ideas for developing the role.

The students appointed are: Caitlin Eley (Head Girl), Lewie Chandler (Head Boy), Tegen Butterfield (Deputy Head Girl), and Philip Cutter (Deputy Head Boy).

We wish them every success in their roles and look forward to working with them in the new academic year!
Community Jubilee Celebration
To celebrate the Diamond jubilee, we invited older members of our community in to share the celebration with a street style party (albeit indoors) and a right royal knees-up. We set the scene with red, white and blue bunting and table decorations and showed nostalgic photos of the Queens’ life, all to a background soundtrack of Dame Vera Lynn and other old-time favourites.

Our guests had gone to lot of trouble to dress for the occasion, and thoroughly enjoyed the scrummy cakes and scones served to them by our students. Even the Queen and Prince Philip (aka our lovely canteen staff) dropped in to join the fun!

Prison Me?-No Way!
Three Prison Officers came to Cape recently to deliver an intervention programme to all Year 9s. The No Way Trust is a national educational charity set up in 1995 by prison officers who wanted to make an impact on the lives of young people and turn them away from crime and its consequences. It is delivered by the Prison Officers themselves on a voluntary basis so we were really lucky to have them come to our school.

Wayne, Bob and Alan came from HM Dartmoor Prison and spent the morning delivering at times, a harrowing account of how life is in prison. It was hard hitting in places but also humorous at times. The dogs also gave their display of how they can detect drugs and weapons.

Feedback from students included:-

- “Very powerful”
- “I learnt a lot today!”
- “It is definitely not nice being in prison”

Mrs Short

Creative Pulse
This year’s Creative Pulse saw a variety of talent across both key stages, form singing to dance and drama, design technology and textiles, and art: - there was something for everyone!

As part of the Lafrowda programme the school was also treated to a wonderful vocal performance by the Cape Singers and an exhibition of Lafrowda paintings by St Just artist, Tom Henderson-Smith who also used the event to present Cape Cornwall School with their Artsmark Gold Award. The jewellery workshops were well attended and the Living Statue performances by the year 10 Drama students were highly entertaining! A big thank you to the PTFA for providing the refreshments and enormous thanks to all the students that took part, you were all amazing!!

Mrs Bletso

Facebook
Further to some recent incidents out of school, please remember that Facebook is a public domain:

- Even if you have your security settings as ‘Private’, they are not entirely private and may still be accessible.
- Deleted items are archived and can still be viewed, not just now, but also in the future, by colleges, future employers etc.

The safest option is: if you want something to stay private – don’t put it on Facebook.

For more advice regarding Facebook and Internet Safety, please go to:
http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11_16/
Hello Dolly!  
Congratulations to Alice Soulsby, who has been working hard, developing her ideas for an innovative and unique children's learning toy in her textile GCSE course. She has been experimenting with a variety of fantasy and fairy tale inspired dolls – this is her very first one pictured here, which we think is fantastic!

Mrs Penrose

Her dedication and artistic talent has led her to go on to produce a range of fairies and elves of which she has batch produced and is now selling to customers. Look out for them at the Arts and Crafts Exhibition here at Cape this Summer!

P.E. News

We have not forgotten PE this month. On the contrary, P.E. have been doing so much fantastic stuff that we felt that they deserved their very own newsletter. This is being produced by Mr Gapp and Miss Hurley-Gale. Please look out for it!

Castle Visits

Year 7 - Restormel

As in previous years students in Year 7 participated in a site investigation of Restormel Castle as part of their work on the Norman England. This fieldwork was planned and organised by Mrs. Mckinnell. Despite the atrocious weather conditions on the first of the two days at Restormel the behaviour of the students was exemplary. English Heritage guides commented on Cape Cornwall’s students’ “not being dampened by the rain of biblical proportions!” The Year 7s will be following this trip up with an assessment on Motte and Bailey Castles in lessons.

Year 8 - Pendennis

On the 25th and 26th of June all students in Year 8 took part in a competition to uncover the Tudor and Stuart remains of Pendennis Castle. The students worked competitively in groups to unearth clues about life in the castle five hundred years ago. Moving from room to room the “History Detectives” attempted to unravel the true history of the building through a series of clues from their teachers. Some highly imaginative and intelligent answers came from all of the groups but first prizes were awarded to Jermaine Powell and Joe Holmes on one day and Charlie Waterhouse and Niall Wallace on the other.

Hellos and Goodbyes

Finally, we would like to say a big hello to Ms K Eaves, our new maths teacher, Miss G Richards, new French, Ms Teacher and Andy Morris, ICT technician!

We are very sad to say goodbye to the following staff: Mrs S Arthur, Mr J Brolly, Mr A Chamberlain, Mr C Dyer, Mrs K Franks, Mr S Hatch, Mrs S Heritage-Tilly, Mrs K Howard and Mr P Lamin. We wish them every success with their futures, whatever they may hold.

Safeguarding: Cape Cornwall School has a duty of care over each one of its pupils and will deal with issues sensitively and in accordance with statutory requirements.

Carers: We would appreciate knowing if any of our students are actively engaged as ‘carers’ in order that any support available may be accessed. Information will be treated confidentially.

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