

## Out with the old and in with the new!

### Farewell to the 2016-17 Ambassador team

Last night Mr Barlow and I had the pleasure of taking the Ambassadors out for a 'Thank you meal' at a local restaurant.



This fine group of students, lead by Will and Lucy have demonstrated amazing commitment to their duties and have been instrumental within the developments of student voice. The whole school community are very proud of what they have been able to achieve during their time as an ambassador and how they have provided an additional layer to the school leadership. Thank you Ambassadors 2016-17, you are a hard act to follow.

But now to the new team of Ambassadors 2017-2018

Welcome to - Adam Lake, Alex Smith, Alizee Perret, Ben Broomfield, Ben Elliott, Beth Padfield, Charlie Trigger, Finn Stoneman, Hannah Flanagan, Isobel Davies, James Parker, Jessica Fitch, Jez McGurk, Kate Gardner, Lee Dart, Lily Sinclair, Mabel Day, Megan Jacques, Michael Bailey, Peggy Hookins and Poppy Butt.



This week we interviewed the Ambassador team for the prestigious posts of Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl. Whilst this is always one of my favourite parts of the year, making the final decision with the other panel members was very difficult. Will and Lucy were involved in the process and were very clear about how strong the competition was. There were robust conversations about the candidates during the selection process and we were reduced to casting a vote in order to come to the final decision.



I am delighted to announce the following:

Head Boy - James Parker

Deputy Head Boy - Finn Stoneman

Head Girl - Jessica Fitch

Deputy Head Girl - Mabel Day

Congratulations to all of you.

Whilst I know that the other Ambassadors will be disappointed, they did themselves proud and will have lots of other opportunities to shine in their roles over the coming year.

Sammy Crook

## Piano Recital

Last Tuesday night the music department hosted a Piano recital. This recital featured many of our most talented young musicians from the High School along with pianists from Rackenford primary school.

The event was very well supported by family and friends and showed again the depth of talent within the community and at the High School in particular. Special mention must go to: William Blackburn, Ethan Cullerne, Woody Fonnereau, Florence Jones, Jaz Moore, Josh Mory-Weale, Izzy Sharpe and Betsy-May White

## Uniform

You will by now have received a letter detailing the amendments to our school uniform from September 2017. Please contact us on the usual school number if you have any queries.

## Fairtrade Success

After a period of intense consideration, prizes for the Tiverton and District Soroptimist International group Fairtrade poster competition were awarded to several THS students last week. Fairtrade aims to give some of the world's poorest farmers a fair price for their products and the focus of the campaign this year was 'It's time to put Fairtrade into your break'. Over 300 students aged 11 and over from the region designed thought-provoking mugs to get this message across and Y9 THS student Emily Peters' entry fought off all competition to become the overall winner. Elliott Mallinson won a respectable third place and Lily Sinclair, Chloe Naismith, Courtney Phillips, Megan Phipps, Jade Parsons and Isabelle Durrant were also awarded a Distinction. Marion Denford of the Soroptimists came to award the prizes and expressed how impressed the judge was with the quality of art shown by THS students. Thank you to all of the students who participated in the competition and Mrs Leitch for your encouragement in creative club. The winning entries for the Fair Trade competition will be on display in the Tiverton library for two weeks from the 8<sup>th</sup> September.



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### 10 AMAZING APPRENTICESHIPS YOU NEVER KNEW EXISTED

- 1 **AEROSPACE ENGINEER**  
Get your career off to a flying start by designing and maintaining aircraft or working on space vehicles and satellites
- 2 **BESPOKE TAILOR**  
This creative and skilled role at the heart of the iconic British garment industry could be your perfect fit
- 3 **CYBER INTRUSION ANALYST**  
The chance to contribute to the crucial work of monitoring networks and detecting breaches in security
- 4 **DIGITAL JOURNALIST**  
Get involved in the creation of fantastic, engaging content for TV, radio, and online
- 5 **EQUINE GROOM**  
Turn your equestrian hobby into a stable career in an industry that contributes billions to the British economy
- 6 **FOOD TECHNOLOGIST**  
Have your cake and eat it! Creativity and attention to detail will serve you well in the food industry
- 7 **FASHION STUDIO ASSISTANT**  
Passion for fashion? Help to capture the mood of the moment and contribute to the creation of a collection
- 8 **PUBLIC RELATIONS**  
Love to communicate? Use your influence in the exciting and challenging PR industry
- 9 **NUCLEAR SCIENTIST**  
Use your analytical skills to provide innovative solutions in the fast-expanding nuclear power industry
- 10 **VIDEO GAME QUALITY ASSURANCE**  
Use your knowledge and zeal for gaming to test and fix computer games before they go live

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## Progression Week



Through our **Development Day** programme and assemblies, we are supporting all our students with their plans for the future by preparing and ensuring we are delivering high quality Careers Education, Information Advice and Guidance.

To support Year 10 in making their decisions around college, we are once again delivering our Progression Week programme in partnership with Exeter College, Bicton College, Petroc and Future First.

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** will see Y10 students at **Petroc** for the day taking part in the **Careers College Programme**. Careers College is a new event to raise aspirations by introducing students to the vast range of exciting opportunities available for their future.

**PETROC™**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July**, Y10 students are attending **Exeter College** as part of the **Discovery Day Programme**. This day aims to give students a real taste of college life by taking part in A Level, IB or vocational lessons at Exeter College. Students will have the opportunity to spend the day at the main Hele Road site, or alternatively, they can choose to spend the day at one of their specialist facilities sampling lessons from Engineering, Aerospace and Automotive, Construction or Outdoor Adventure.

exeter college 

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July**, all Y10 will be involved in our **Into Industry and Employability** workshops, working with our Future First alumni on employability skills and exploring the local Mid Devon labour market. Meanwhile, Y9 will be taking part in the **Careers College Programme** with **Petroc**, getting them thinking about the range of career and industry pathways available to them in the future.

**FF Future First**

Finally on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July**, some Y10 have the opportunity to attend **Bicton College** for their **Experience Day** programme. These are for students considering careers in sport, land based, agricultural or animal courses, or the public service sector such as armed forces, police, ambulance or fire brigade.

**Bicton College**

Some of our Y10 students will also be accessing 1:1 support with our Careers Advisor, Jackie, over the next three weeks ensuring they have a clear plan moving into post 16.

With college application windows opening in the Autumn term, just a few months away, and our work experience programme launching on the 17<sup>th</sup> July, we hope this programme of events supports our Year 10 students in making informed choices about the next stage in their learning journey.

Remember all students have access to UExplore, our online Careers Guidance platform, where they can explore careers, post-14, post-16 and post-18 options and message our Careers Advisor for 1:1 support.

Mr Williams



## Bulletin from your U-explore On-line Careers Adviser, Jackie Ellis



### IN YEAR 10 AND LOOKING AT POST-16 COURSE OPTIONS?

### SEE BELOW FOR A GUIDE TO THE TYPES AND LEVELS OF FULL-TIME COURSES

<b><u>COURSE, LENGTH AND LOCATION</u></b>	<b><u>WHY DO THIS COURSE?</u></b>	<b><u>WHERE WILL IT LEAD ME?</u></b>	<b><u>WHAT GRADES WILL I NEED?</u></b>
<p><b><u>A LEVELS</u></b></p> <p>2 year course</p> <p>Available at Exeter and Petroc North Devon</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Can take a mixture of subjects</li> <li>➤ Useful if you are not sure exactly what career area you want to go into</li> </ul> <p>E.G. A level Geography, Biology and Graphic Design at Exeter College</p>	<p>University degree course, employment or a higher or degree apprenticeship</p>	<p>At least 6 GCSE grades at C or above, with 5s in English and Maths. Higher grades are required for some courses</p>
<p><b><u>LEVEL 3 EXTENDED BTEC DIPLOMA</u></b></p> <p>2 year course</p> <p>Available at Exeter College, Petroc North Devon and Petroc Tiverton</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Equivalent of 3 A levels</li> <li>➤ Opportunity to study a broad subject of interest in depth</li> <li>➤ Useful if you know what general area you want to go into</li> </ul> <p>E.G. Sport Development, Coaching and Fitness Extended diploma at PETROC Barnstaple</p>	<p>University degree course, employment or a Higher or Degree apprenticeship</p>	<p>At least 4-5 GCSE grades at C/4 or above with 4s and 5s in English and Maths</p>
<p><b><u>LEVEL 2 BTEC DIPLOMA</u></b></p> <p>1 year course</p> <p>Available at Exeter College, Petroc North Devon and Petroc Tiverton</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Opportunity to study a broad subject of interest in depth</li> <li>➤ Enables progression to level 3 courses</li> </ul> <p>E.G. level 2 business with enterprise BTEC certificate at PETROC Tiverton</p>	<p>Level 3 extended diploma or an intermediate/ advanced apprenticeship</p>	<p>Usually 4 D grades at GCSE but can vary. 4s in English and Maths are needed or will have to re-take them</p>
<p><b><u>VOCATIONAL NVQ's</u></b></p> <p>1-3 years</p> <p>Available at Exeter College, Petroc North Devon and Tiverton</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Opportunity to study for a specific job</li> </ul> <p>E.G. Level 1 diploma in plumbing at Exeter College</p>	<p>Further NVQ course, a BTEC course or an intermediate/ advanced apprenticeship</p>	<p>Varies depending on level and course</p>

**DON'T FORGET APPRENTICESHIPS ARE ALSO AN OPTION FOR AFTER GCSES**

**NEED MORE HELP OR ADVICE?**

Message Jackie using the U-Explore message option or ask your Tutor or Miss Marshall