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Open Morning Tours

Over the last two weeks we have been very busy showing prospective year 5 and 6 students with their parents, around the school. This provides them with the opportunity to see us as we go about our day to day business. Parents/carers across the country make decisions about their preference for secondary schools this month.

Sammy Crook Head Teacher

Next Steps Southwest Roadshow comes to THS!

Next Steps Southwest students were able to access the NSSW Roadshow Bus this Wednesday. They met NSSW staff and Student Ambassadors from Exeter University, had lots of information about higher education and attended a short lecture from a representative of Plymouth College of Art about Commercial Photography.



Activities Week 15th – 18th July 2019

Activities Week 2019 Launch Assemblies have been held for Year's 7, 8 and 9 over the last couple of weeks. Emails have now been sent home with information on all the activities on offer and a letter explaining how to access the online form where students can opt for their First, Second and Third choice. Please note the **deadline date for returned applications is Friday 19th October (Friday before half term)**. Hard copies will be sent out for those without internet access.





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House Points Board

Well done to the below Students on receiving the highest amount of positive House Points Last week: W/E: 05/10/2018

	Female	Pts	Male	Pts
Year 7	Molly Stoneman (Exe 4)	41	Samuel Gurney (Exe 8)	41
Year 8	Rebecca Kelland (Dart 2)	17	Sammy Avery (Otter 9)	17
Year 9	Daisy Main (Dart 7)	33	Aidan Sparkes (Exe 9)	33
Year 10	Ava Blackford (Exe 6)	22	Olly Butt (Lowman 3)	22
Year 11	Sophie Fallon (Barle 2)	21	Thomas Symonds (Dart 8)	21

Future First

Thirty year 9 students took part in a workshop on the topic of 'Skills and Strengths' this week. The event was led by our Alumni network operators Future First, who were supported by employees of the Grocery sector, via the Institute of Grocery Distribution. The students learned how to use their own strengths in the world of business, which will help them next year when they take part in Work Experience Week. Thank you to the volunteers from business who came along and talked to the students about their working life and their journey to their current employment.



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

APPLYING FOR COLLEGE ADVICE FOR YEAR 11 STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Which is the right college for me? What courses are there I can apply for? How do I decide which course/college to apply for? When are the deadlines for applying? What about travel? What about an apprenticeship? How do I find out more?

The Colleges:

- Petroc
- Exeter College
- Bridgewater College
- Richard Huish
- Bickton College



For more information on everything, you need to know about college courses, see the email that has been sent to Year 11.

Tiverton's Got Talent!

On **November 21st**, Interact will be hosting Tiverton's Got Talent for all year groups and houses, held at lunchtime in the main assembly hall. Tickets will be £1 each and all proceeds will go to our two charities for this year: Cherish Foundation (Kenya) and Tiverton Young Carers. To apply to enter, please contact Mrs Doeller in room 33 but make sure you sign up before the 17th October. Tickets will be sold after half-term: you can collect them from accounts or from Interact members who will visit tutor groups. We hope to see your amazing acts soon!

Cleaning Vacancy

We are currently recruiting for a part time cleaning assistant.

This position requires:

- A methodical and meticulous approach
- A good team player
- A conscientious and thorough approach to the work assigned
- Previous cleaning experience would be an advantage
- Capable of carrying out all the physical aspects of the position.

The vacancy is for 15 hours per week, 3:25pm – 6:25pm, Monday to Friday, 41 weeks per year.

Grade A (SCP6) £8:50 per hour.

Please complete an application form available from Reception or mhepworth@tiverton.devon.sch.uk and return by 24th October 2018. Interviews are likely to be held for this position in week commencing 29th October 2018.



SEND Transition Sessions

Following on from our successful year 6 open evening, we have held our first drop in session for both year 6 students and their parents. During these sessions, the students went and met with a range of staff, had a tour of the school as well as participating in getting to know you games. We believe that these sessions are a valuable tool to ensure that the students feel confident and more familiar with THS and we as a team get to know them and their needs in more depth. As the year progresses these sessions will become more tailored to the cohort needs.

At the same time as the student drop in, we held a parents coffee morning where parents met with Tania Mayes (SENDCo) and Liz Adlem (CAIRB Lead Teacher). During this session they were introduced to the SEN Team and also what the term SEN encompassed at THS. It was very well attended and we know from the comments made that the parents felt more at ease as the morning went on. Over the course of the drop ins we will be welcoming outside agencies to talk to the parents and explain the valuable work they do.



Girls Rugby

Our Year 7 & 8 team and Year 10 & 11 team played their first competition game of the school season at Clyst Vale on Monday. This was a fantastic opportunity for the students to play for the first time as a team. Both matches were played in fantastic spirit and showcased the talent we have here at Tiverton High School. All girls are learning through every game they play and are improving rapidly. Well done girls.

U13 team: Bethany Moakes, Anais Shenton, Jess Kingdom, Keira Bawden, Laura Copsey & Ana Curtis.

U16 team: Abi Findlay, April Hudd, Imogen Miller, Dharma Jonck, Jess Hutter, Anna Lion, Leonie Loader, Beata Markunaite & Chloe Stanbury.



U15B Football Team the perfect 10!

On Tuesday afternoon, the U15B team travelled to Holyrood Academy in Chard for the first round of the ESFA National Cup. After a strong, motivating team talk, the boys took the lead straight from kick off as Ellis Passmore showed effective footwork to dribble through the defence and score a screamer from distance. Moments later, Jack White decided it was his turn to show his skills and doubled the lead with only 2 minutes on the clock. As the game calmed down, the home side began to find their feet and we were soon on level terms. However, another goal from Ellis and a first for Kye Dowell made sure THS went into half time with a 4-2 lead. After another galvanizing team talk at half time, the boys controlled the entirety of the second half - with goalkeeper Pacey Deem only having to make one save via a free kick. Ellis would go on to score a further 3 goals, Jack another 2 and goal of the game going to Ben Cole for his brilliant individual effort picking the ball up on the half way line and slaloming his way through the opposition defence to calmly place his shot past the goalkeeper. A strong 10-2 victory means the boys face a long trip to Swanage in Round 2.

First World War Battlefields of Belgium & France

On the 28th September Max Snell, Thomas Hannah and Mr Hart embarked on a tour of the First World War battlefields of Belgium and France. During a packed itinerary the year 10 boys got to visit some important battle sites, cemeteries and museums whilst learning about the stories behind many of the locations. The trip was originally planned in March but the snow meant a visit that was closer to the 100th anniversary of the end of the war. The English Literature focus of the trip allowed engagement with the work of war poets and the group, from all over the West Country, were joined by author Hilary Robinson and illustrator Martin Impey. The highlights were witnessing the Menin Gate remembrance ceremony, making new friends and eating far too much Belgian chocolate. Max and Thomas were able to lay poppy crosses at the memorial to a Tiverton soldier, who never came home, at Tyne Cot cemetery. We were also able to lay a wreath on behalf of THS and the County of Devon at Devonshire Cemetery. The cemetery contains men of the Devonshire regiment who were largely from the areas around Tiverton. We hope to be sharing our experiences with the rest of the school over the Remembrance period.



Dragons' Den 2019

Are you involved in marketing and advertising? Have you experience of product design? Do you run a business? Have you worked in sales? If the answer is 'yes' to any of these questions, the English department would love to hear from you. We will be running our annual Dragons' Den project with our Year 8 students in the Spring term and we are looking for people who would be willing to lead a 30 minute mini-workshop for students in January, followed by a day in February spent supporting the teams' final preparation and then taking a key role in the judging process.

If you would be willing to come and support THS students and share your business expertise, please contact Natalie Westacott, KS3 Coordinator, English Department: nwestacott@tiverton.devon.sch.uk

Library

The Library is proving to be a vibrant and popular place for students to meet before school, during break and lunch. The Reading Journey has encouraged plenty of feverish reading; with 20% of the student population having borrowed a total of 969 books to date since September. Please continue to encourage the students to read, and also to return their books in good condition. Tutors are welcome to book an introductory session in the Library with Jane during tutor time. At the end of this half term the top five female and male borrowers will be published in the bulletin. The challenge is on!



College and Careers Advice



My name is Jamie Smith and I am the Exeter College Adviser linked with Tiverton High School. As a College Adviser I can help students with their preparations for joining Exeter College after their GCSEs.

They will see me in school during assemblies and at parents' and careers evenings. I am also available for one to one information, advice and guidance appointments in school; where I can help with

queries regarding the courses on offer, entry requirements, the application and interview processes, travel, the Exeter College academies, student life and apprenticeships.

Appointments will take place during Monday lunchtimes and students can request an appointment by emailing me on jamiesmith02@exe-coll.ac.uk

Exeter College will be hosting several open events throughout the academic year. These events are a great opportunity to learn what Exeter College has to offer; through visiting our excellent facilities, talking to our subject lecturers, and joining in activities and demonstrations. The open events will be held at our city centre sites, Technology Centre, and Construction building from 5-8pm on the following dates:

- Thursday 18th October
- Wednesday 21st November
- Wednesday 16th January

If you have any questions about Exeter College, please feel free to contact me via email or on 01392 400600. I look forward to meeting many of you throughout the year!

Jamie Smith
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Hello, my name is Charlotte and I am the School Liaison Officer for Richard Huish College. We are an 'Outstanding' college in Taunton, Somerset.

My Role is to give you advice and guidance for your journey after Tiverton High School.

Make sure you read prospectuses, attend Open Events and ask lots of questions!

I will be seeing you throughout the year at Parents Evenings and lunchtime drop ins, so make sure you come and say hi and ask any questions you have.

Please email me if you have any questions charlotte@richuish.ac.uk

See you soon!



My name's Ben Norrish and I'm a School Liaison Officer at Petroc. I'm here to help you find your perfect course after you leave Tiverton High School.

I can answer any questions you may have about life at Petroc – no matter how big or small.

Are you unsure about what to do after you leave school? Do you want to know more about course options, application processes or funding? Do you just want a chat? I can help!

I'll be at Tiverton High School Library during Monday lunchtimes, so you can talk to me about courses and apprenticeships at Petroc, entry requirements, how to apply, any funding you might be eligible for, and anything else you want to know about studying after school.

To book an appointment with me, you can drop me an email at ben.norrish@petroc.ac.uk

You can also come to one of our open events to see the college for yourself. Visit www.petroc.ac.uk/events/open-events to find out more.

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