



**Connor Downs
Academy**

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Head of School: Mrs J Eddy

Friday 23rd September 2022

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are well. We have had a very busy and exciting week.



Book of Condolence

Following the Bank Holiday, for the state funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, we were deeply honoured to accept the offer from the Parish Council to have a book of condolence for children and staff to sign. The school community were very grateful for this opportunity and are delighted to share that the book will be kept in the archives at Truro Cathedral.



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Service of Commissioning for School Leaders and Governors

On Saturday, 17th September, the above service was held at Truro Cathedral, and was attended by Mrs Penny Shilston, Chair of the Aspire Academy Trust Board along with her grandson Seth. Seth admirably represented Aspire Academy Trust with a reading. We are so proud Seth, well done!

London Marathon – Parent Participants

Two of our parent/carer community are running the London marathon on Sunday 2nd October for two amazing charities: Motor Neurone Disease and the Lullaby Trust who support families who have lost babies suddenly and unexpectedly.

They have set up just giving pages to raise funds for these amazing charities. Please find the links below should you wish to contribute.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jennifer-baran>

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/phil-sinar2>

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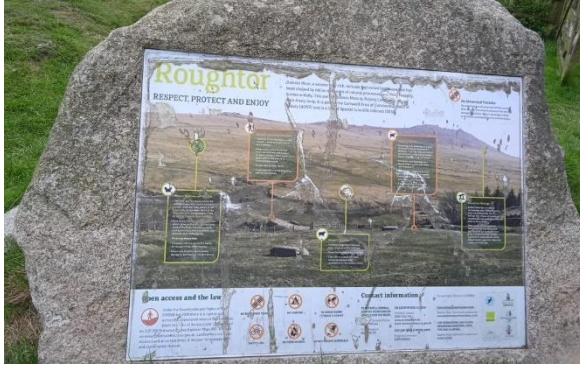
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Year 5 Rough Tor

As part of our outdoor and adventurous PE provision and as a fantastic launch to our topic about Sir Ernest Shackleton (English and History) Year 5 visited Rough Tor with Aspire's Outdoor learning lead, Mr Turnham on Thursday. The children were amazing and arrived at school early dressed and ready for adventure. There was a sense of

excitement as the bus arrived on Bodmin Moor and we could see the task in front of us. The children embarked on the challenge and were asked to reflect on how Shackleton and his team might have

felt on their hike to safety. There were several opportunities

to enjoy the wonderful countryside and for the children to develop their map skills.

Having lunch on the second highest point in Cornwall was inspiring and as the wind picked up we were grateful of our extra layers. As the children navigated the boulder fields to return to the minibuses it was clear that everyone had enjoyed the experience. We would like to thank Mr Gallagher, Mr Lewis, Mrs Kent and Mrs

Hollins for supporting the children on our visit.



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Year 6 – Baking

This week, the children in Year 6 have been using their maths skills to measure out ingredients and bake some delicious apple and blackberry crumbles. The task gave the children the opportunity to work closely with a partner and to appreciate the first days of Autumn.



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Camborne Science and International Academy – Open Evening

The CSIA Open Evening is taking place on **Monday 26th September 2022 from 17:30**. All Year 6 Parents/Carers and students are more than welcome to attend.

If you would like to book one of the sessions with a talk from the Head of School, please use the link below to book a slot.

[Open Evening - Camborne Science & International Academy](#)

Open Evening - Nexus

The Nexus campus will be holding their Open Evening at their Nexus campus on Trevu Road, Camborne on **Thursday 13th October 2022 from 18:00 to 20:30**.

Nexus is unique in Cornwall, providing a state-funded specialist education to able young people. Nexus, part of Camborne Science and international Academy, is situated on a separate campus next to the train station and 5 minutes from the bus station. As a consequence, Nexus attracts students from all over Cornwall from St Just to Padstow.



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📍 Nexus, Trevu Rd, Camborne TR14 7AD
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Attendance

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Our school target for attendance is 97%		
1 st Place	Year R	98.1 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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Connor Downs Academy Shining Stars Friday 23rd September 2022

*We are delighted to be able to invite the parents/carers of the winners below to join us at our first Shine assembly of the autumn term, on **Friday 30th September** to see their child receive their certificate.*

*Please come along to the main reception **no earlier than 2:35pm**. A special well done to:*

Year R – Rilie H

For showing fantastic mathematical skills when counting. Well done Rilie!

Year 1 – Coco

For working really hard in maths and never giving up. Well done Coco!

Year 2 – Amelia

For working hard in all subjects with amazing results. Well done Amelia!

Year 3 – Carter

For showing kindness to all his friends, always stepping into help them in class. Well done Carter!

Year 4 – Senara

For relating her spelling knowledge from this week to work in her reading comprehension. Well done Senara!

Year 5 – Logan

For his determination to climb Rough Tor. Well done Logan!

Year 6 – Bailey

For a beautiful pencil sketch this week of a plant showing excellent use of shading. Well done Bailey!

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Writer – Eva (Year 6)

For writing a superb description of an air-raid during WW2. Well done Eva!

EYFS/KS1 Reader – Elsie R (Year 2)

For reading regularly and sharing her reading enjoyment with others. Well done Elsie!

KS2 Reader – Daniel (Year 3)

For fantastic reading comprehension. Daniel showed skill highlighting the text to answer multiple choice questions. Well done Daniel!

Mathematician – William (Year 4)

For his great times tables knowledge and speed of recall. Well done William!

Performer – Lenny (Year 5)

For an amazing sketch of Bodmin Moor. Well done Lenny!

Moki Fitness Tracker – Lola-Grace (Year 4)

For recording the greatest number of steps in a week using the Moki Fitness Trackers. Lola-Grace's total was 29,708 steps. Well done Lola-Grace!

Citizen – Cecily (Year 1)

For being kind, caring and very helpful in the class and at playtimes. Well done Cecily!

Kind Regards,



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Transfer to Secondary School – September 2023



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The
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applications is
**31 October
2022**

Transfer to secondary school September 2023

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk

Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY

Telephone: 0300 1234 101

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on **0800 587 8191**



www.cornwall.gov.uk

Applying for a **secondary school** place for **September 2023**

Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242 Email: statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk

1

Decide on your preferred schools

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form. **Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school.** When making your decision you should...

...think about **how your child will get to school.** Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to transport to school.

...look at the **admission arrangements** on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.

...consider naming your **nearest or designated school** as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.

...look at the detailed **admissions information** on our website, also available on request.

2

Submit your application by **31 October 2022**

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

3

Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 1 March 2023. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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Starting School – September 2023



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**15 January
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Starting school September 2023

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019

Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

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Applying for a **reception class** place for **September 2023**

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Applications open 11th Oct 2022



Primary Teacher Training Opportunities with Aspire Academy Trust



Online Information Briefings

-  29TH SEPT 2022, 4.00PM-5.00PM
-  19TH OCT 2022, 4.00PM-5.00PM
-  15TH NOV 2022, 3.30PM-4.30PM
-  7TH DEC 2022, 3.30PM-4.30PM

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