



19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and that you had a good Easter break.

## Courts

I am delighted to announce that after such a long wait, the courts were finally re-opened this week. Students have been pleased to use them at break and lunchtime and some PE lessons have been back on the courts. With a site such as ours, we are likely to face tricky facilities issues from time to time, but we are now able to plan for a return to normal.

## Bake off

The latest round of the 150th Anniversary Bake Off took place yesterday with 9K and 10K going through to the final next week. The students cooked country pudding and each dish produced was delicious. Judging was really difficult given the quality of the baking and all of our bakers should be proud of what they made. Congratulations to 9K and 10K and we wish them well in the final.

## Inspection

Many thanks indeed for all the messages of support during our recent inspection. Whilst I am not able to share any outcomes with you at this stage, I can say that the inspection was robust and inspectors thoroughly investigated our school across the three days. Throughout the inspection period, inspectors met with students, staff, Governors and Trust colleagues as well as visiting a number of lessons and being out and about during the school day. I think the students selected by the

inspectors for interview enjoyed being part of the process and talking about their experience in school. We should have the final report in term 6. As soon as we have it, it will be posted on our website for everyone to read.

### **HPV vaccination**

Kernow Health will be on site on 23/4/24 to deliver the HPV vaccination programme for **all** students in **Year 8** and students in **Year 9, 10 or 11** who did not receive their vaccination in Year 8.

Please follow the link [HPV Vaccination Consent Form \(kernowimmunisations.co.uk\)](https://kernowimmunisations.co.uk) to give consent and QUOTE school code **DV148369**.

Please click on this link [Vaccine Update 339 June 2023 HPV Special \(govdelivery.com\)](https://govdelivery.com) for more information about the HPV universal programme.

### **Mary Poppins – school production**

We are delighted to announce that tickets for our school production of Mary Poppins are now on sale and can be purchased through parent pay. The performances will take place on the evening of the 7th, 8th and 9th May. £8.50 per adult and £5.50 for students / children. The performance will start at 6pm on each night.

### **Phones**

It's been wonderful to see students having fun with each other at break and lunchtime without their phones. Students understand that if they choose to get their phone out during the school day, it will be confiscated and an after school detention set. Students are not permitted to use their phone from when they arrive on the site and until **AFTER** they **leave** the school site at the end of the day. Sixth form students can use their phones in the sixth form study centre only. There are secure boxes in school for students to store their phones should they wish. A number of students have used this facility and have found it helpful. Students who wish to use this opportunity just need to mention it to their tutor to get further details.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we try hard to provide the best possible environment for our young people.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Underdown', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Simon Underdown.**  
**Headteacher.**