



# REDRUTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Head Girl and Head Boy

Congratulations to Martha Richards and Jack Thomas who have been selected as Head Girl and Head Boy. With deputies, Ellen Tremayne, Gracie Giddens, Robbie Wills and Adam Finch.



(Pictured above; l - r Robbie Wills, Mr Martin, Jack Thomas, Adam Finch, Ellen Tremayne, Martha Richards and Gracie Giddens.)

Martha and Jack have already started their official duties having attended the opening of Kresen Kernow recently and were also in attendance at our school Open Evening last week. Mr Martin, Headteacher said, "I am thrilled to appoint these young people, the competition was tough, these prestigious positions are highly sought after, and candidates take part in a rigorous selection process. My sincere congratulations to them!"

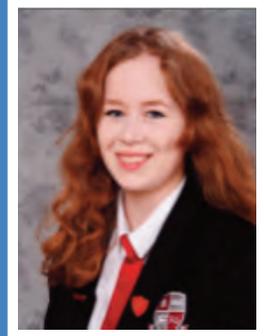
## School Tours

**School Tours available daily, until 18th October starting at 9am or 1.45pm with a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Please call Reception, 01209 203700 to book.**

## Student Success

We are delighted that Tabs Vaughan has achieved a remarkable ten grade 9s at GCSE, which is the highest grade possible in the newly reformed and tougher GCSEs.

This makes her 1 of only 300 students out of 600,000 across the UK, and in the top 0.5% of this year's GCSE students. Tabs has been a student at Redruth for 5 years, since joining us from primary school, and is now studying A-level Maths, Further Maths and Physics.



Tabs was also part of the LEAP programme at Redruth, which identifies and supports students with a talent or high academic ability through a series of masterclasses and in-lesson challenge.

### Silver PADL Award

Will S and Tom S recently represented Redruth School at the County Council Chambers to receive the Silver PADL award from Hilary Frank, Chairman of the Council.

The PADL Award recognises the excellent practice of School Councils across Cornwall, where Student Voice sits at the heart of the constitution, enabling all students to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them. These School Councils empower students to challenge bullying and discrimination, improve wellbeing, behaviour and in turn raise attainment. They are examples of active citizenship and democracy.

PADL stands for Promoting Active Democracy Loudly. Will and Tom are both active members of the School Council, representing their year group at regular student council meetings throughout the year.



# Reading Revolution

A reading initiative has been introduced at Redruth School. One and a half million words are read every day, and all students take part, reading from a copy of their own book. Novels include traditional classics such as, *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* and *Pride and Prejudice* alongside modern classics such as *War of the Worlds* and *The Green Mile*.

Headteacher Craig Martin says "Redruth students are at the forefront of a 'reading revolution'; we are building on the work undertaken at primary schools by insisting that all students and all teachers read every day. Our school is the only one I know of, as a secondary in Cornwall, that has



embarked on this. Science teachers, PE teachers, technology teachers, maths teachers, in fact all of the staff are reading from a book to students with their own copy of the same book every day. It is vital that our young people increase and improve their literacy skills and this is not necessarily achieved from screens or tablets. The exams they will face will require more complex ideas and sentences, the jobs they go into will require this, and I truly believe that everyone can benefit from the experience of reading. Already this has resulted in what I hoped, improving each and everyone's vocabulary and comprehension ability, but also, real enjoyment and fun from listening to, and following a good story. The students and staff are both enjoying the experience and looking forward to reading a series of books over the year. This is literally a new chapter for Redruth School."

## Year 6 Super Fun Saturdays

9am - 12 midday

To reserve your child's place please call 01209 203715

Humanities  
Sport

28 September 2019  
12 October 2019

## Rugby



Our first home rugby fixture for Years 7 and 8 against Falmouth School, took place on 19th September. Year 7 recorded their first win by 3 tries to 2 in a very even game with both sides playing good rugby. Stand out performances from Mawgan C and Will P. Year 8 also won and played good rugby and welcomed new members to the squad! Training continues on Monday and Tuesday for Year 7 and Tuesday for Year 8, 3-4pm!

## Recycling

Redruth School is moving towards Eco-School status. We have signed up to a Green Charter, and committed to attend a Climate Conference for students in October.

Students are being asked for their ideas which could make a difference; bringing a reusable water bottle and packed lunch box, picking up litter, reducing waste and walking or cycling to school. We have recently replaced the school lights with LEDs, which has meant a saving in CO<sub>2</sub> of 65.94 tonnes and a reduction in energy consumption of 171,462kWh!



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