



Dear parent/ carer,

It is hard to believe that we are halfway through the summer term. It's been an amazingly busy time with a great deal to celebrate. Across the school, we are exceptionally proud of our Year 11, who have all approached this exam season with diligence and maturity. They are modelling the high expectations we have for our students every day, and the qualities of every member of this year group demonstrate that they are all capable of making the most of what these GCSE grades will open up to them. For our students in Year 11 and 13, this half term break will need to be a balance of rest and serious revision, ready for the continuation of these exams. I wish them every success for the remainder of this exam season.

Across the other year groups, we have seen a fantastic work ethic, both within the curriculum and in learning outside of the classroom. There have been so many highlights and experiences for our students this half term. These include:

Highlights

- The English Department joined forces with Newquay Library to run a Coronation Creative Writing and Artwork Competition. Our students' beautiful work was displayed for the whole wider community to see.
- Our students and staff have experienced excellent sporting opportunities, including participation in the U16 Treviglas Sharks basketball squad visiting the Bristol Met Academy. The Treviglas Year 8 basketball team, branded the Phoenix Suns by the Jr NBA, played Portland Academy, Dallas Mavericks, in the Conference semi-final. The Year 8 join the Year 7 team in success in reaching the South West Jr NBA finals in Bristol on the 13th of June.
- Our Year 10 GCSE drama students attended the Hall for Cornwall to watch Julius Caesar. The students enjoyed a workshop experience before watching the show and then some of our students, who are in the Hall for Cornwall Youth Theatre, later took part in a pre-show performance for the Royal Shakespeare Company.
- The Tide Climbing Centre delivered an assembly to all of Year 7 where they introduced the sport of climbing. They discussed the origins of the sport and how it can have a significantly positive impact on our physical and emotional health. We are delighted to share that all Treviglas students have been warmly invited to climb at the Tide Climbing Centre for half price if they visit by the end of July. No prior experience is needed.
- Year 10 engineering students have been making aluminium folded lamps, using traditional engineering workshop tools precisely and safely to produce excellent outcomes, while our Year 7 students have made a pewter pendant and small jewellery box, inspired by the theme of Cornwall.

- Forty five of our Year 9 students completed their bronze Duke of Edinburgh expedition, showing fantastic teamwork and resilience.
- Finally, it has been wonderful to recognise the hard work, effort and kindness of our students through the awarding of bronze and silver badges for positive points awarded to them by staff. We have also awarded some prestigious gold badges for the first time this half term! Congratulations to all the students who have achieved this.

Working in partnership

Your child's success is about us working in partnership to ensure that they enjoy achieving their best and gain the most from their education. From the start of the summer term, I ask for your continued support with the following:

- Students must be equipped properly for their lessons.
- Ensure your child attends every day. There is a direct correlation between your child's attendance and their attainment. Students with 100% attendance are always among our highest achievers; even 5 or 6 days absence over the academic year can create a challenge to students regarding their ability to catch-up and can adversely affect their attainment. There are, of course, exceptional circumstances, for example, your child may be too unwell to come to school.
- Ensure your child arrives punctually to school. We are having an increased focus on students' prompt arrival to lessons as every minute of each of our lessons is carefully designed, and the first five minutes of each one provides essential learning which must not be missed by any student.
- There really is no substitute for hard work to be successful in school. Students who routinely complete their homework to a high standard always do well so please support and encourage this.

Uniform

Our students wear a smart uniform which represents Treviglas Academy and shows that they are proud to be a member of our community. Please can you continue to ensure that your child comes to school dressed in the correct uniform.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our families a safe and happy half term. The weather forecast is looking fantastic and I am reminded how privileged we are to live near the beautiful Cornish coast.

All staff in Treviglas Academy are very thankful to parents and carers for all their continued support, and we look forward to our students' return on Monday 5 June 2023.

Yours sincerely,

Michelle Dunleavy
Headteacher