



As the academic year draws to a close, I am reflecting on how this year feels like it has lasted far more than 12 months! I am sure we all feel the same way and that you and your families are ready for a break and, fingers crossed, a return to some normality.

In spite of the disruption and uncertainty of the pandemic, there are so many positives to take from this school year. The vast majority of students have made significant progress and developed positive relationships with their peers and my staff. There is a great 'feel' to the school and a sense that we are moving forward as a school community.

It is never dull here and I am grateful for that. Every day brings its challenges and rewards and I would like to thank my staff, our young people and parents for contributing to a school that I am very proud of.

I wish you all a very happy and restful summer break.

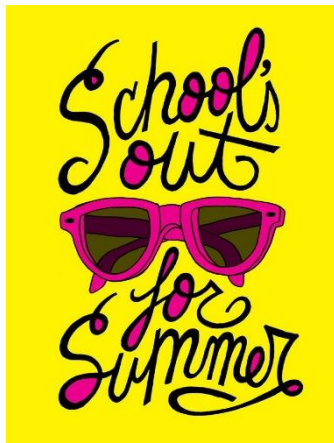
Jason and the team

Exam Results Day
Thursday 12th
August
Totnes centre 10 -
12noon

students can come in and collect your exam results, and will be posted to you on this day – we are not allowed to give results over the telephone

Personal Awareness Week

We have been working with students about keeping them safe online, mental wellbeing and personal hygiene...for students who participated they were given a bag of goodies.....



Term Dates 2021-2022

Autumn Term

6th September New students and year 12

7th September All students return to school

Half term 25th-29th Oct

Last day of term Friday 17th December

Spring Term

Wednesday 5th January 2022

Half term 21st – 25th February

Last day of term

Friday 8th April

Year 11 and Post 16 students

We say farewell and wish all the students leaving us best wishes for their future pathways. Some of the pathways are college, approved trainers and employment.

Summer Term

Tuesday 25th April
Monday 2nd may Bank Holiday
Half term 30th May – 3rd June
Last day of term
Friday 22nd July 2022

Cultural Capital: – feeling part of a diverse culture and community -

Throughout the year we have put on various activities to involve the students with the wider world around us.....

Awareness days

Macmillan Cake, Thank You NHS,
Virtual Walk from John O' groats to Ends End for Comic Relief
Job opportunities in the subjects they are learning,
International Women's Day
World Book Day
Personal Hygiene and mental
Pride month

We have student voice where students can come up with their ideas and we try and incorporate them into the school day.... At the moment students come to us, but from September we will be looking to organise a school council...

End of term activities:

To celebrate the end of the school year students have been involved in: trip to Woodlands Theme Park, Beat Jason at his Cooking Skills, a day of sport, walk to Berry Pomeroy Castle, Beach days, trip to Rare Beads Farm, art activities, year 11 leavers meet ups – it has been a lovely ending with the students being together and supporting each other....

Safeguarding Alert – Please Read

We would like to share some information with you that has been highlighted to us via a safeguarding forum regarding an app called "Monkey".

Essentially this is an app for adults to video call and connect with strangers. This app is not deemed safe or suitable for children.

The information attached is a summary of what the Monkey App is, age rating and the key safeguarding concerns.

Please be on the lookout for this app when you are routinely checking your child's phone.

