

THE FALMOUTH EAGLE



Celebrating our extraordinary students and staff

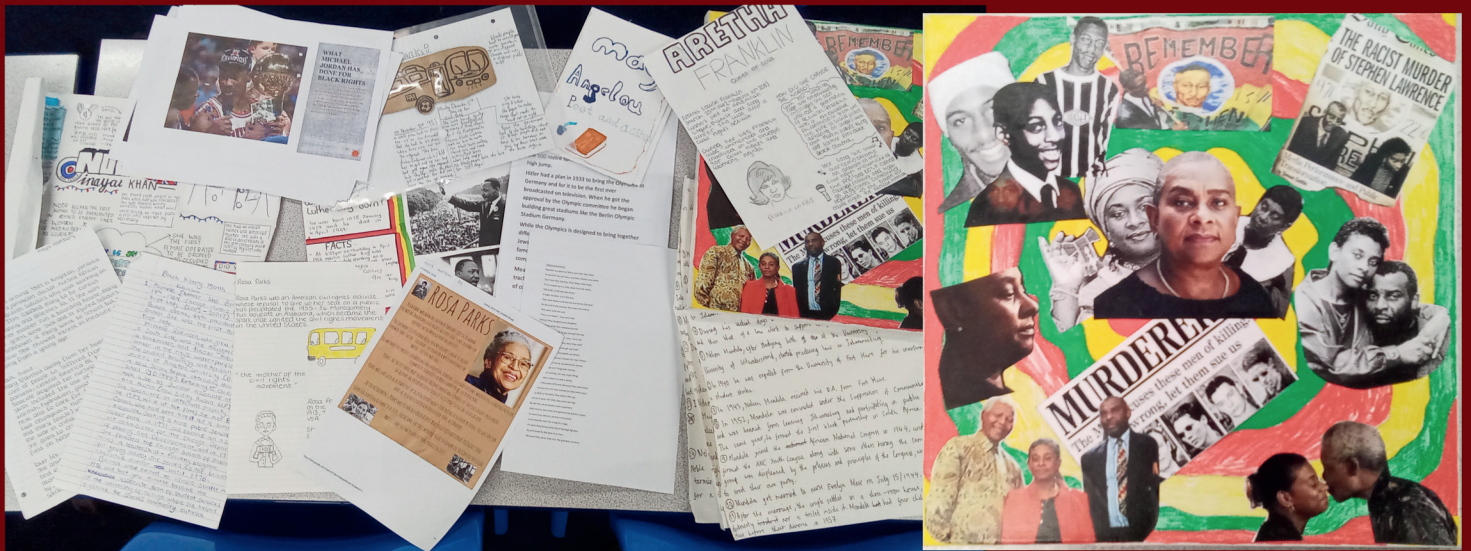
Winter 2023

MR PRICE :

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

I am delighted to welcome you to the second full edition of The Falmouth Eagle. As you will see below, the Autumn Term has continued to be both busy and purposeful. Falmouth Family students have demonstrated resilience, determination, kindness

and respect in all that they have done and set out to achieve. They have aimed high and through aspiration and hard work have realised their ambitious goals. We are incredibly proud of them and invite you to share in our celebration of their achievements as you read this latest edition of our newsletter.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

This term history students in Key Stage Three took part in projects for Black History Month. They researched important figures from black history who had inspired them. Students produced projects that ranged from studies of important figures in black popular culture to those who have had significant social and political impact. We are immensely proud of our students who not only undertook this task enthusiastically but also with maturity and great sensitivity. Mrs Chanter presented certificates to those who had excelled in the tasks set. Three overall winners were selected for their outstanding work. Violet in Year 8 who researched into Stephen Lawrence, Phoebe in Year 8 who wrote a beautiful and poignant poem and Ella in Year 7 who researched Cheryl White. All winners received a student version of the book, Black and British by David Olusoga.

SLAVES OR SURVIVORS

BY PHOEBE, YEAR 8 FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Peaceful occupants of Africa torn from their lives
To work for the rich men, and their children and wives
Torn from their families, their home, their loves
To be cooped up in a ship, away from the doves
75% died, on the journey across
A tragic incident, a horrible loss
They were beaten and starved and tide to the deck
By the end of the journey, they were all a wreck
They were sold and sold
"You're an object", they were told
And so, they ploughed and ploughed
And all the while they remained proud
They sung their songs, to get through the day
And now I ask the question, now I must say
Why were they beaten, why were they sold?
Why do they work, and plough and fold?
For nothing in return, but death and illness
For many of them weren't chosen for their fitness
They were taken unfairly, murdered for money
With nothing but dirt filling their tummy
They did it for nothing, not one single thing
And they didn't object or take a swing
Because they were different, because they were black
And because the rich men wanted to take some slack
They died on the boat, they died in the sea
And on it went, till 1948, they were set free
By the likes of protestors and supporters
Who took to the street and ignored the police's orders
So were they objects, workers and slaves
Controlled by men like a dog in a cage
Or were they brave, bold, black heritage fighters
As portrayed by the best of writers
Because they were, they are, the greatest survivors

CELEBRATING THE BIG SING



INSPIRATIONAL EVENINGS

As our Year 7 students reached the end of their first half-term at Falmouth School, they amazed us with a fabulous show which delighted parents, carers and teachers alike. This was the musical highlights of the year so far; The Big Sing!

Concerts took place over two evenings, and included a range of solo and small groups performances, as well as songs from Junior Choir and, of course, our 'Big Sing Choir' featuring all Year 7 students.

Our year 7 students were inspired by hearing performances from older students, who demonstrated fantastic musical skill and stage-presence. We were treated to both vocal and instrumental performances, with appearances from the Falmouth School Jazz Band, as well as guitar, drum and saxophone solos. Ella and Oli from Year 7 bravely stepped into the limelight as Year 7 soloists.

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THE FIRST OF MANY ...

We hope that this is just the first of many concerts our Year 7 students will be involved in during their time at Falmouth School and can't wait to see them on the stage again soon!

Any students who would like to take up instrumental or vocal tuition can sign up via the Cornwall Music Service Trust at this [link](#). Details of support with lesson fees are available under the 'Music Lesson Subsidies' on [this page](#).

Thank you to all parents and carers who supported this event.



GREAT FEEDBACK – THANK YOU!

Just brilliant. What a fantastic evening. Thanks for all your efforts and hard work!

Amazing concert, thank you so much for setting this up so early on in their school career! So enjoyed it.

Fantastic performances and confidence from the children, lovely atmosphere, so proud.

An amazing evening. We were so impressed with this. It's lovely to hear the Year 7s coming together, and we were totally in awe of the single performances. Amazingly talented young people.

The whole event was phenomenal. It honestly was truly amazing. I was actually very emotional watching all those young children sing/play. I feel very privileged to be part of the Falmouth School Family. Thank you.



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YOU SAID...

It's great to inspire students so early in their first year in the school to engage and take up music. We thought the event was excellent and all the musical contributions of a high quality. Believe me, as the father of five daughters who are now all grown up, I've been to a fair few school musical events! This was good!

Amazing evening! Children were brilliant and staff so enthusiastic!

Brilliant performances, some amazing talent!!

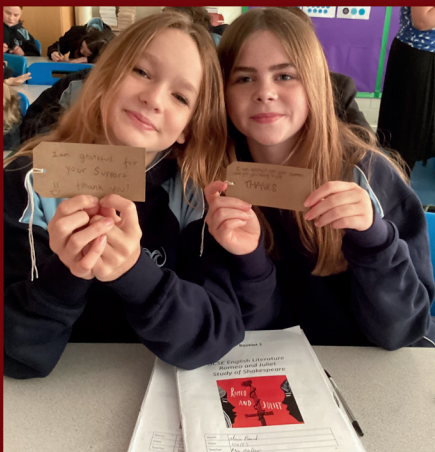
Loved the positivity and inclusiveness. Good to see the older students showing what can be achieved. It was just brilliant!





POSITIVE NOTICING DAY – 15 NOVEMBER

As championed by the expert Paul Dix, it was glorious to see our students and staff showcase our Falmouth School Cultures by sharing acts of kindness and demonstrating mutual appreciation. The engagement and the buzz across the school was great to see throughout the day. We look forward for this event to be a regular feature on our school calendar!





ROYAL FLEET AUXILIARY VISIT YEAR 10 ENGINEERING STUDENTS

We were delighted to have the Royal Fleet Auxiliary visit and run two workshop sessions with our Year 10 Engineering pupils just before the half-term. The aim of the visit was to provide to our students the broader opportunities for engineering learners, Second Officer Paul Sexton presented an interactive session with the pupils to give an insight to the Cadetship that the RFA offers. It was a very inspiring session and packed with all sorts of real life experiences from Paul and life onboard the ship. He covered the basics of what the RFA does and how a typical RFA ship offers engineering skills with respect to all the different aspects to ship systems. We are very grateful for Paul's visit and he is now planning a tour on one of the ships docked at Falmouth Harbour.

Mr Cilia/Mr French



YEAR 12 PLACEMENTS

Construction students have now started work experience at local sites every Friday. Jamie is at KML Keynvor Morlift specialising in marine construction projects all around Europe. Caelan is working for Ollie Berryman on a very high end new build in Falmouth. Harley is working with Earthbound Electrical who are installing emergency lighting and fire alarms. They are all having a great time and learning so much from their placements!



OLI IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Year 7 student Oli Davidson recently took part in King Charles the Martyr's concert series, playing the Timpani Drums. Oli Played 3 solo pieces to a fantastic audience, which included members from the Falmouth Lions, who generously donated money to CMST to purchase the Timpani.

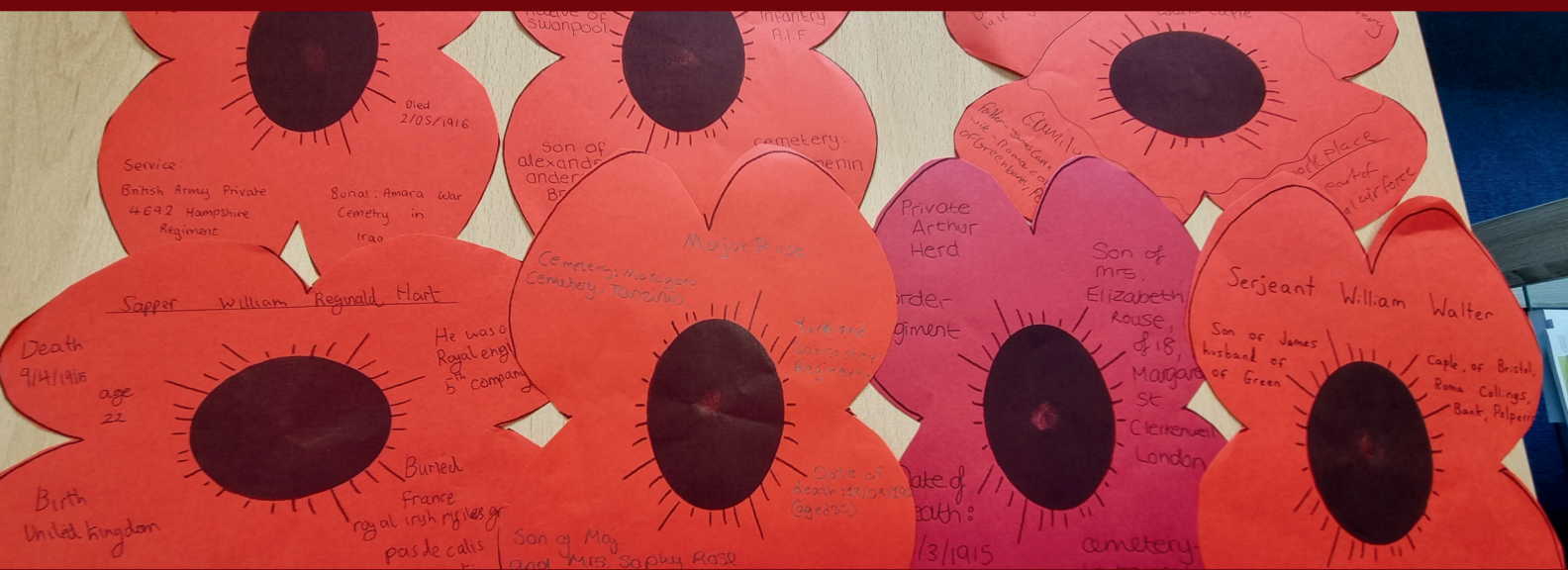
The drums are kept at school and Oli and a number of other students have lessons on them each week! Well done Oli, we are all really proud of you!



ENTERPRISING YEAR 9!

Year 9 students have been developing a food Enterprise company. This is a very exciting project that we involve all year 9 pupils and we encourage them to work collaboratively and responsibly to create a food product they could potentially sell. This includes developing the company's vision, the identity and exploring the ethics of Fairtrade and Cooperatives. This is a great opportunity for our pupils to learn about real enterprises alongside developing their own ideas.





REMEMBRANCE DAY 2023

Students across school have been involved in a variety of ways to ensure that Falmouth remembers those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in conflict since World War One. Students in Year 9 all contributed towards the visual Poppy display at the entrance to school. Students explored further into the impact of World War One by researching those who lost their lives from the Falmouth and Penryn area, to help fully understand how war had a local impact. Many students were surprised to see that some soldiers who had lost their lives had lived on the same street that they had. This project culminated in the display at the entrance to school where all Year 9 students dedicated one poppy to a soldier from World War One from the Falmouth area, who lost their lives.

Ava Rose, Amelie and Martha sold poppies all through the week and were supported by representatives from the local cadets, who wore their uniform to show respect.

On Friday November 10th the whole school marked Remembrance Day, a particular mention goes to Piran in Year 11 who played the last post for the school as the cadets stood in formation.





FALMOUTH SCHOOL SPORT HIGHLIGHTS

CORNWALL UNDER 12 RUGBY FESTIVAL

The Year 7 rugby team have taken part in their first ever county rugby tournament. The team played a series of games to come out with two wins, two draws and two losses, which shows the hard work the boys put in for the duration of the competition. For many this was a big learning experience of how competitive it can get after playing some very strong sides from all around Cornwall. As a school we are incredibly proud of how they conducted themselves with some tough defensive games and lots of fluid attacking rugby. All the boys were brilliant with how hard they worked as a team.

PENINSULA CSG NETBALL FESTIVAL AND CORNWALL UNDER 14 TOURNAMENT

Our Year 9 squad had a great afternoon, demonstrating excellent teamwork and versatility to play a variety of positions to secure wins within their pool.

The year 7/8 squad had a brilliant afternoon, once again showing their versatility to play in a variety of different positions to come out winners of their group and reach the semi finals of the CSG Festival.

Twenty schools from across Cornwall took part in the County tournament. Our girls started the day with a bang, playing four games in the group stages, scoring 44 goals and only conceding three, and winning their group. They won their quarter final and played some great passages of netball within the semi final, with unfortunate injury to our defence resulting in a loss. The final result of 4th overall within Cornwall is a fantastic achievement!



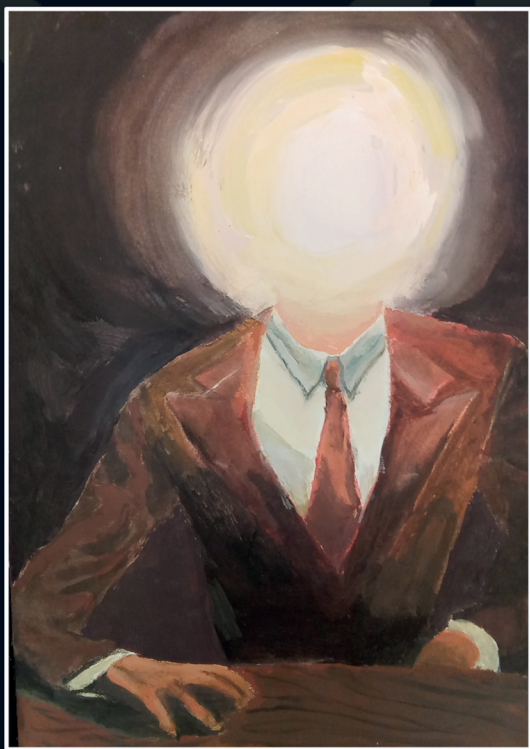
TEACHING AND LEARNING

In addition to launching reading within tutor time, our focus continues to be on promoting reading for pleasure and developing key literacy skills within the curriculum. Year 7 students have been enjoying their reading lessons within our wonderful school library this week as part of their English curriculum. In addition, teachers across all subjects explicitly make reference to subject specific tier 2 and 3 vocabulary within lessons through outlining the meaning of the words and referring to them throughout lessons, challenging students to continually enhance and extend the vocabulary they use when providing verbal responses, or in their written work. They also direct students towards key texts that will support and extend their learning within the subject



ARTIST OF THE WEEK

'Surreal Man' by Toby Year 11



DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Term finishes 12:30pm 19th December
- Staff training day 4th January (no students to attend)
- Term starts for students 8:35am 5th January
- Trial exams for Years 11 to 13 8-19th January
- Year 10 Parents' Evening (face to face) 18 January

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