



### Headteacher's Welcome

This edition of The Eagle highlights another busy but brilliant half term here at Falmouth School where we were determined not to let the persistent rain dampen our spirits.

We began the half term with our epic production of Matilda the Musical, which was simply incredible and a showcase of the talent and teamwork we have in our community. As always, our students have continued to excel through sporting achievements, creative successes and their passion for environmental and political issues. Our trips, visits and guest speakers continue to inspire and motivate our students, and I am hugely grateful to our staff for their unwavering commitment to making this the very best school it can be.

We ended the half term with today's fantastic day of fundraising. The colour run was an absolute joy; full of laughter, energy and togetherness. I am not quite sure how I managed to get so much paint on me, considering I was the one throwing it!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I wish all of our families a happy and restful Easter break, and I look forward to all that the summer term will bring.

Mrs. Guest  
Headteacher



# A Magical Production: Matilda the Musical



Our recent school production of Matilda the Musical was a fantastic success, showcasing the incredible talent, creativity and dedication of our students.



Performed across a matinee and a series of evening shows, the production was a real highlight of the term. From the very first scene, audiences were captivated by the energy and confidence of the cast, who brought the much-loved story to life with enthusiasm and flair.



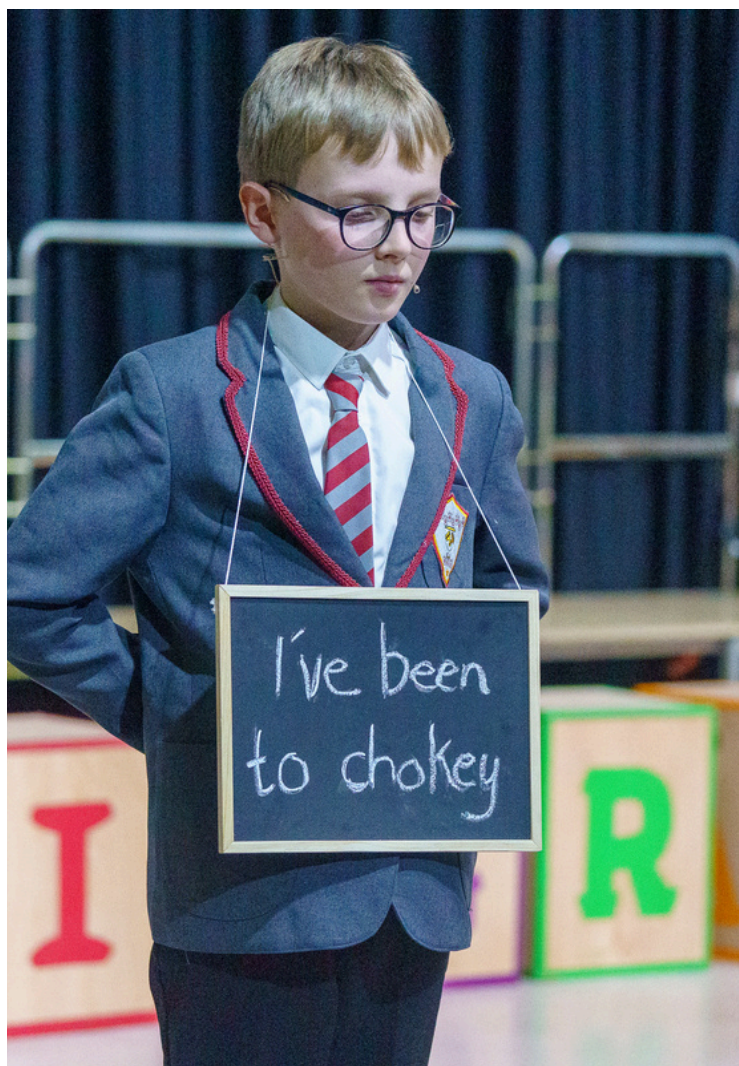
The performances were outstanding, with students demonstrating not only strong acting ability but also impressive singing and choreography. The commitment shown throughout rehearsals was clear to see, with every moment on stage reflecting the hard work that had gone into the production.



Behind the scenes, students and staff worked tirelessly to ensure everything ran smoothly. From lighting and sound to set design and costumes, every detail contributed to a professional and polished performance.

It was wonderful to see such strong support from families and the wider school community, both at the matinee and evening performances. Events like this are a great reminder of the creativity and ambition of our students.

A huge thank you to all students, staff and supporters who made Matilda the Musical such a memorable success.





# A Season of Success: Falmouth Sport Shines This Spring

It has been an incredibly fast-paced and rewarding Spring term for our PE department. From the muddy tracks of cross-country to the high-pressure environments of regional football and netball courts, our students have demonstrated remarkable resilience, teamwork, and sporting excellence.



## Cross Country

Our runners impressed at the Polwhele House Cross Country event, tackling a challenging course with determination. A special mention goes to Emily Searle, who represented Cornwall Schools at the National Championships in Liverpool, competing in a field of over 400 runners. This is an outstanding achievement.

We were also proud to host a local Primary Cross Country event. Our Sports Leaders played a key role in organising the races, supporting younger athletes and demonstrating excellent leadership.



# Netball

Well done to our Year 7 and 8 netball teams who recently took part in their County tournaments. In true Cornish fashion, Year 7 enjoyed sunshine, while Year 8 showed great resilience in challenging weather conditions, including wind and hail.

For many, this was their first County tournament, providing a steep but rewarding learning experience. The teams developed their understanding of tournament play, adapting tactics against strong opposition and showing excellent versatility by rotating positions effectively. Both teams played at a high tempo, transitioning quickly from defence to attack and scoring consistently.



# Football



Our Year 7 footballers are currently making waves in the County Cup. Both the boys' and girls' teams have shown exceptional skill and tactical maturity throughout the cup rounds. We are thrilled that both teams have secured their spots in the Semi-Finals! Their progress is a result of consistent training and a "never-give-up" attitude. We look forward to cheering them on as they compete for a place in the finals.



In addition to the cup success, our female football players from Years 7 through 10 recently participated in the Barclays Girls Football 'Biggest Ever Football Session'. It was a fantastic day dedicated to celebrating the importance of girls in sport. Our Falmouth students thoroughly enjoyed the event, performing brilliantly in their matches and representing the school with great spirit.

# Falmouth Music Hits the Right Note This Term

Falmouth Music has been characteristically busy this term. Our Jazz Band, 'Tros Meor', kicked things off with an exceptional showing at the Music For Youth Regional Festival in Truro. Professional mentors praised the group's wide range of instrumentalists, noting the solid groove that fueled an energetic and dynamic performance.

The momentum continued the very next day as two of our budding rock bands, The Badlands and Goliath, travelled to Redruth for the Frequencies Festival. Despite sharing the stage with older, more experienced acts, both groups performed impressive sets of entirely original music. Their efforts earned high acclaim from the mentors and a string of upcoming opportunities: listen out for both bands this May at Source FM's Parklive Festival, or catch them on the Source FM Breakfast Show performing tracks they recently recorded for broadcast.



# Othello Brought to Life for Year 12

Tragic. Intense. Destructive.

Our Year 12 English Literature students recently enjoyed a screening of Shakespeare's Othello at the Phoenix Cinema in Falmouth. Experiencing one of their set texts on the big screen gave students a valuable opportunity to deepen their understanding of the play's characters and themes.

The production was both visually striking and thought-provoking, offering fresh interpretations of jealousy, manipulation and power. Students were able to consider how different directorial choices shape meaning, giving them plenty to reflect on and apply to their own analysis as they continue their studies.



## Falmouth Welcomes Collège Pierre Norange Students

Falmouth School was delighted to welcome 50 students and 5 staff from Collège Pierre Norange in France for a day of cultural exchange on Monday 9th March.

The visiting students joined lessons across a range of subjects, giving them a real insight into life at Falmouth School. They also enjoyed social time with our students, building friendships and sharing experiences, before ending the day with a friendly game of football.

The following day, 30 of our Year 9 French students met the group again for a joint visit to the Eden Project. Together, they explored the biomes and took part in interactive activities, deepening their understanding of global issues while continuing to strengthen international connections.

This successful exchange provided a valuable opportunity for students to develop their language skills, broaden their cultural awareness and create lasting memories.



# Introducing Falmouth School Families

Our parents and carers group now has an official name, Falmouth School Families. The group is already making a positive impact across the school, with a number of projects underway and more opportunities for involvement to come.

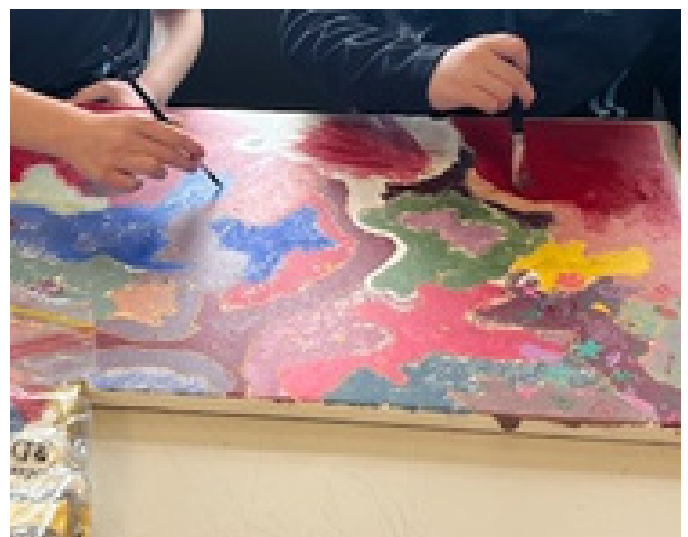
Members are currently supporting preparations for the upcoming Summer Fayre, and all families are warmly encouraged to get involved. A parent is also leading an initiative to donate old PE kit to an NGO in India, with collection points available at Falmouth School and Castle Sports. Please look out for the new collection bins.



Falmouth School Families will also be hosting two volunteer days on Saturday 25th April and Saturday 9th May to transform the school's pond area into a welcoming wellbeing space. All are welcome to attend, although under 18s must be accompanied.

Meanwhile, our Year 10 design students, supported by Mrs Warden, are developing logo ideas for the group, and we look forward to seeing their creativity in action.

We are also grateful to parents who supported refreshments at Matilda JR and the Christmas concert, as well as those who continue to give their time to support school clubs, including art and maths.



To share ideas or find out more, please contact [families@falmouthschool.net](mailto:families@falmouthschool.net), which is managed by parent and carer volunteers.



# Year 7 Step Up for the Environment

All of Year 7 enjoyed a fantastic day at Swanpool Beach as part of the Falmouth Spring Clean, taking part in a range of activities focused on protecting our local environment.

The Spring Stomp included a litter pick in Tregonigge Woods, where students worked together to clear waste and improve the local area. They also took part in sieving for microplastics with Plastic Free Falmouth, learning more about the hidden impact of pollution on our beaches. In addition, students



explored marine conservation through a seagrass re-enactment activity with the Ocean Conservation Trust, helping them understand the importance of these vital ecosystems. The day provided a valuable opportunity for students to engage with environmental issues in a hands-on way, while developing a sense of responsibility for their local community.

Thank you to everyone who supported the event, especially Falmouth Town Council.







# Personal Development in Action



Personal development at Falmouth School continues to provide students with meaningful opportunities to grow, lead and explore beyond the classroom.

Our Year 10 Cornwall Marine Academy students have recently begun a 13-week apprenticeship programme, gaining valuable real-world experience and developing key skills for future pathways. This hands-on approach is helping students build confidence and deepen their understanding of careers linked to Cornwall's marine industries.

Student voice has also been a key focus this term, with the launch of the Falmouth Youth Council. Our Year 8 and 9 students took part in an engaging workshop exploring local democracy and discussing the issues that matter most to young people. We were delighted to welcome Jayne Kirkham MP, who spoke with students about the importance of having their voices heard and making a difference in their community.



Meanwhile, our Sixth Form students had the exciting opportunity to visit Berlin, immersing themselves in the city's rich history and culture. Throughout the trip, students explored significant historical landmarks, gaining a deeper understanding of key events such as the Cold War and the division of the city. The experience brought their classroom learning to life, while also encouraging reflection on themes of conflict, identity and change.

The visit also offered valuable opportunities for independence, cultural awareness and personal growth, making it a memorable and impactful experience for all involved.

Together, these experiences reflect our commitment to developing confident, informed and ambitious young people, ready to make a positive contribution to the world around them.



# Silver DofE Students Rise to the Challenge

Our Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award students have successfully completed their recent practice expedition, demonstrating resilience, teamwork and determination throughout.

Students spent their time navigating across The Lizard, putting their map reading and route planning skills into practice. Despite mixed weather conditions, spirits remained high as groups worked together to overcome challenges and support one another along the way.

The expedition provided a valuable opportunity for students to build confidence, develop independence and refine the skills they will need for their assessed expedition after the Easter break.

We look forward to seeing them take on the next stage of their DofE journey with the same enthusiasm and determination.



# Showcasing Creativity: Artwork from Our Talented Students

*A visual celebration of the imagination, skill, and creativity of Falmouth School's young artists.*

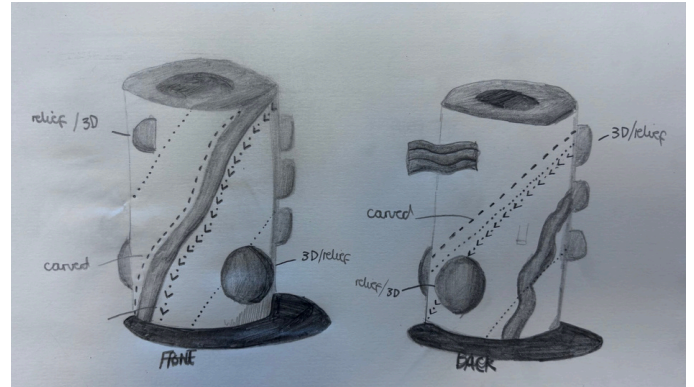
## **Art Club**

This term, Art Wellbeing students have been busy creating collaborative work during lunch breaks. Meanwhile, our KS3 Art Club students have been developing their watercolour skills by creating beautiful illustrations inspired by nature.



# KS3 Art Lessons

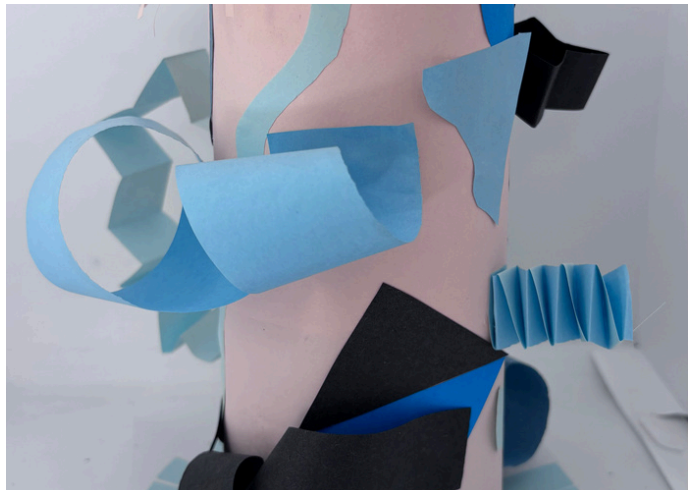
Our KS3 students have been busy developing final outcomes in response to their chosen themes. Year 7 students are currently translating abstract concepts into 3D forms, while Year 8 students are exploring colour and mixed-media techniques inspired by architectural artists. Meanwhile, Year 9 are in the planning stages of their final pieces, expertly demonstrating scale, illusion, and juxtaposition in their work





Agnas Martin

Agnas Bernice Martin was born on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1912 in Madelin Canada. She became famous for being an abstract expressionist artist. Her work focused on her using grids and lines and







René Magritte

'Ceci n'est pas une pipe.'

He was a Belgian Surrealist artist.

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He often used clouds, apples and Bowler hats in his paintings

Magritte often painted ordinary objects in unexpected ways to challenge the viewers' perception.



SURREALIST COLLAGE

For my surrealist piece I plan to create the idiom 'Butterflies in my stomach' because I love the idiom and think I can make it quite interesting. I have studied the following Surrealist techniques: Scale, juxtaposition, Illusion and Imagination. I am going to use the following material: watercolours, to create an imaginative and creative aspect.



# Discovering Art on Our Doorstep – Yr8 at the Tate!

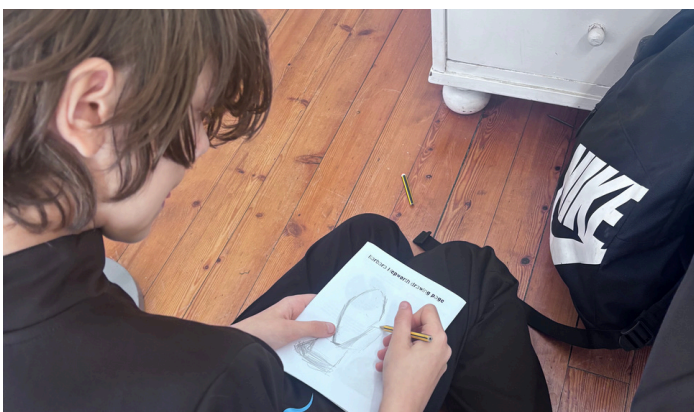
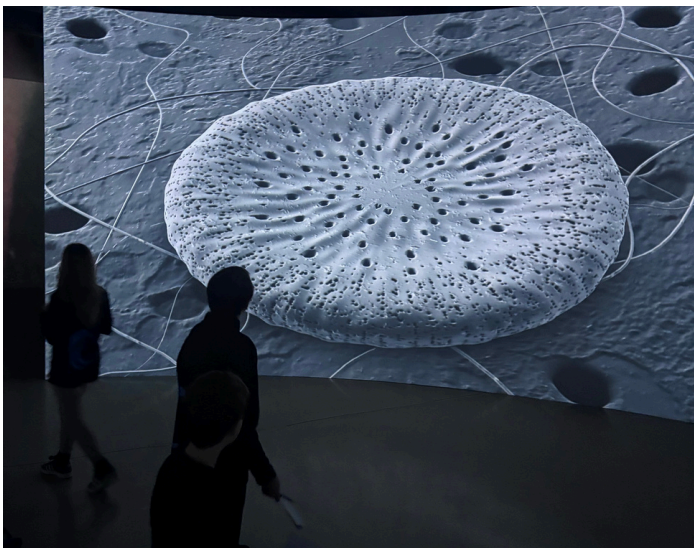
Our Year 8 students recently enjoyed an inspiring visit to the Tate St Ives, one of Cornwall's most celebrated art galleries.

Set against the stunning backdrop of the Cornish coastline, the visit provided students with the opportunity to experience a wide range of modern and contemporary artwork first-hand. From bold abstract pieces to thought-provoking installations, students engaged thoughtfully with the exhibitions and explored how artists communicate ideas and emotions through their work.

Throughout the day, students demonstrated excellent curiosity and maturity, asking insightful questions and showing a genuine appreciation for the creative process. The visit also supported their learning in Art by bringing key concepts to life beyond the classroom.

Staff were particularly impressed with the way students represented the school, showing respect to gallery staff and members of the public. It was a thoroughly enjoyable and enriching experience, and one that we hope will inspire future creativity in their own work.





# PEER GYNT DESIGN A TROLL COMPETITION

**WIN : tickets and book tokens**

Miracle Theatre's summer show, features TROLLS.

Trolls are iconic in Nordic folklore ... a bit like pixies in Cornwall or leprechauns in Ireland. Some trolls are thought to be tiny, some huge and some in-between! Some are thought to be scary, some kind ... we'd love to see what yours would look like.

You can make your troll in any way you choose... draw it, model it, digitise it, animate it, build it, bake it ... but be sure to let us know its name, age, size and a bit about its personality!

Competition Categories: Years 7-8 and Years 9-10  
Entries must be submitted by 4pm on Friday 22 May 2026.

Upload your Troll Design Competition  
Entries HERE.

**PRIZES**

FAMILY TICKETS TO PEER GYNT  
BOOK TOKENS  
+  
A CHANCE TO FEATURE IN OUR PRINTED  
SUMMER PROGRAMME

# Art Lab Brings Textiles and Identity to Life

Our Year 8 students had an incredible day welcoming textiles artist Stephanie Thomason to the classroom! Using embroidery and recycled materials, students explored deep themes of identity and community to create unique "junk" masks and identity patches. A huge thank you to Arts Lab (delivered by Creative Kernow, HeadStart Kernow, and Arts Well) for making this possible.

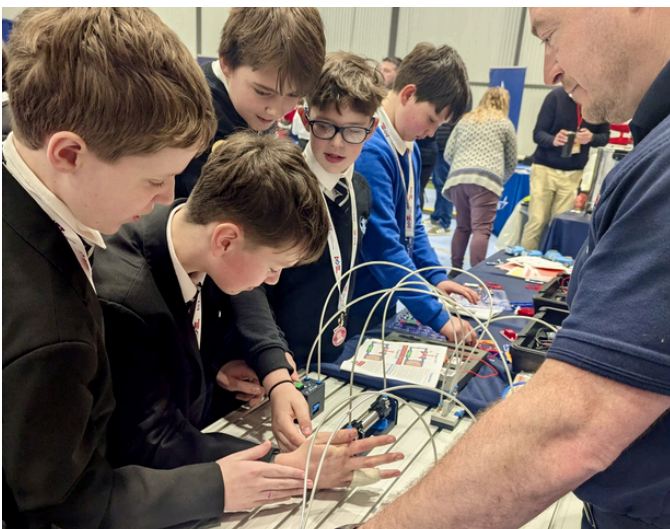


# Lego Robotics Team Celebrate Regional Success

Our Lego Robotics team enjoyed another excellent result at the FIRST Lego League regional competition this term, continuing their strong track record in this highly regarded STEM event.

Throughout the competition, students demonstrated impressive teamwork, creativity and ambition. Working collaboratively under pressure, they applied their knowledge and problem solving skills to design, build and refine their robot, as well as present their ideas with confidence. Their innovative approach and technical understanding stood out to the judges and were recognised with the Engineering Award. This is a significant achievement and reflects both their dedication and the many hours of preparation leading up to the event.

Experiences such as this play an important role in developing students' confidence, resilience and interest in STEM subjects, and it was excellent to see the team representing the school so positively. We are very proud of their success and the way they conducted themselves throughout the competition. We are also grateful to Watson and Marlow for sponsoring the team and supporting this valuable opportunity.



## Curriculum Update – The Term Ahead

Learning at Falmouth School is an exciting journey, and we're thrilled to share some of the engaging topics your child will explore in the upcoming term. From hands-on experiments to fascinating discoveries, there's so much to look forward to! By staying informed, you can support your child's learning at home and spark meaningful discussions about their lessons. For more details, including comprehensive learning journeys for all year groups, visit our website. Year 11 will be preparing for their PPEs and their curriculum is dynamic to address areas of specific need.

Subject	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Maths	Geometry and Application	Coordinates and Solving Equations	Ratio and Proportion	Data, Powers and Roots
English	Much Ado About Nothing	The Tempest	Introduction to Language Skills	Descriptive Writing
Science	Electricity, Acids and Reproduction	Respiration, Earth and Space	Electricity, Bonding and Bioenergetics	Inheritance, Reactions and Motion
Geography	Prisoners of Geography	Asia and Russia	Weather Hazards	Fieldwork
History	Tudors	Slave Trade	Post War World	Weimar Germany
DT	Various Projects	Various Projects	Various Projects	Coursework
Art	Printmaking-Natural Forms	3-D- St Ives Artists	Graphic Illustration	Unit 1 AO4
Music	Sea Shanties	Indian Music	Class Band	Unit 2
Drama	Shakespeare	Approaches to Script	Scripts to make you think	Exploring set text
PSHE	What rights should all children have?	What is the law?	Mental Health	Body Image



# FALMOUTH VI FORM

## Never Just a Number at Falmouth School Sixth Form

At Falmouth School, we believe in every student's potential. With an ambitious curriculum, a proven track record of success, and a commitment to providing every student with the support and attention they deserve, we help you achieve your best.

Driven by excellence, defined by you.

