



HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME

The start of a new academic year is always such an exciting time at Falmouth School. We've welcomed our new Year 7 students, who have settled in brilliantly; our Year 10s have begun their GCSE courses with enthusiasm; and our Year 11s have focused their efforts on what will be their final nine months of study before their GCSE exams.

As ever, we've packed so much into each school day and each school week and this half term has been no exception. From trips and visits, to guest speakers, sporting competitions, charity events, and music performances, through to key parent events such as Open Evening, GCSE Information Evening and Progress Review Days, it has been a true hive of activity.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Please enjoy this Autumn 1 edition of The Eagle, which I hope gives you a flavour of all that has been happening and a reminder of what makes Falmouth School such a special community to be part of.

Mrs. Guest
Headteacher



Sporting Success This Term

This term in PE, students across all year groups have shown fantastic enthusiasm and commitment through a diverse range of physical activities, skill-development lessons, and sporting challenges.

At Key Stage 3, students have been developing their technical and tactical understanding through invasion games such as rugby, netball, and football. Lessons have focused on skill progression, teamwork, and applying tactics in competitive situations. Our Key Stage 4 students have taken their learning to a higher level, applying advanced performance skills while deepening their understanding of strategy, officiating, and leadership within team sports.

Beyond the classroom, our co-curricular PE programme has gone from strength to strength, with outstanding student achievements across football, rugby, and netball. Our athletes have consistently demonstrated talent, determination, and excellent sportsmanship—bringing great pride to Falmouth School.



Our football teams have enjoyed a particularly successful term. Both our new Year 7 boys' and girls' teams have made an impressive start, securing National Cup wins and progressing confidently to the next round. Last year's County Cup runners-up, the Year 8 boys, also opened their season with a superb away victory against Humphry Davy.

The Year 7–11 netball teams have also made a strong start, recording league wins across multiple age groups. Special mention goes to our Year 10 and Year 11 squads, who competed brilliantly at their County Netball Tournaments, showcasing skill, teamwork, and resilience to secure several well-earned victories.

Meanwhile, the Year 11 rugby team has shown tremendous grit and unity, starting the season with strong performances and clear progress on the pitch. Impressively, the team competed in the County Rugby 10s tournament during their PPE exam week, demonstrating real dedication and commitment.

Overall, this term's sporting achievements reflect the passion, teamwork, and determination of our students and staff. We look forward to building on this momentum next term as we continue to support, challenge, and celebrate all our young athletes.



Year 11: Focused on Success

Our Year 11 students have shown fantastic commitment by staying after school each day for bespoke revision sessions with subject experts. Attendance has been excellent, and it's great to see so many students focused on achieving their best.

We also welcomed students and families to our MADE revision workshops on Monday 29 September, where students explored effective study techniques and parents learned how to support revision at home.

Later that week, on Thursday 2 October, families joined our English, Maths and Science Teaching Team Leaders to hear about exams and top revision tips. We look forward to seeing everyone again at Parents' Evening on Thursday 13 November.



Our new mural is complete!

After eighteen days of creative energy. From the first sketch to the final brushstroke, our stunning new mural now brightens the Art corridor. This ambitious project was a true community effort, showcasing the power of collaboration and creativity.

A huge thank you goes to the incredibly talented Holly Astle and the dedicated team of volunteers who brought this vision to life. From university students and former Falmouth School students to educators and local artists, so many people gave their time and talent to make this project possible.

The finished mural is more than just artwork; it's an inspiring space that celebrates imagination, teamwork, and pride in our school. We're thrilled that our students can now learn and create surrounded by such a vibrant display of artistic excellence.



Year 6 Transition Workshops – A Brilliant Start to the Journey Ahead



Over the past few weeks, Falmouth School has been buzzing with creativity, energy and excitement as we welcomed Year 5 and 6 students to our after-school transition workshops. These sessions gave our future students a real taste of what life at Falmouth School is like and they did not disappoint!

In Design Technology, pupils rolled up their sleeves to create their own phone holders, exploring design ideas and bringing them to life using the laser cutter and 3D printers in our specialist workshops. The sense of pride as they saw their finished products was fantastic to witness.



The Art department was alive with colour and imagination, as students experimented with new materials and techniques, showcasing their creativity and enthusiasm for all things visual. Meanwhile, in Photography, students headed outdoors to explore how light shapes an image, learning to see the world through a photographer's eye and capturing some truly impressive shots.



Sport was another huge hit, with sessions in football, netball, and fitness offering something for everyone. Whether it was teamwork on the pitch, precision on the court, or determination in the gym, our visiting pupils embraced every challenge with enthusiasm and smiles all round.

A huge thank you goes to all the staff who made these workshops such a success, their dedication and passion ensured that every session was engaging, inspiring and full of Falmouth spirit.

We can't wait to see many of these young learners joining us in September 2026, and we encourage parents to get their applications in before 31st October. There's plenty more to look forward to on the transition journey, including two transition days, a Meet the Tutor evening, and our ever-popular Summer School, so stay tuned for more opportunities to experience life at Falmouth School.



Drama in the Spotlight

It's been a fantastic term in Drama, with students across all year groups showing amazing creativity, confidence and teamwork both on and off the stage.

Year 7 have been developing their core drama skills, learning how to create freeze frames, use narration and perform in role. They've also explored different theatre spaces including End-on, Traverse, Thrust and In-the-round to see how staging can completely change a performance. Using all these techniques, they've been busy devising their own short plays, full of imagination and fun.



Year 8 have been diving into the National Theatre's production of Frankenstein. They've explored the fascinating characters of Victor Frankenstein and the Creature, looking closely at emotion, power and responsibility. Working in pairs, students have been rehearsing scripted scenes, showing real dedication and impressive acting skills.

Year 9 have been tackling a powerful topic called 'History of Events', using physical theatre to bring key historical moments to life. Through chair duets, stick work and handheld lights, they've explored events such as the Suffragette movement, the Gunpowder Plot and the Rosa Parks Bus Boycott, creating moving, original performances that blend history with creativity.

It's been wonderful to see students throw themselves into every challenge with energy and enthusiasm. The Drama Department is so proud of their progress, and we can't wait to see what exciting performances they create next.







A NEW GLOW-UP FOR OUR DRAMA STUDIO



Our Drama Studio has had a fantastic glow-up! Thanks to Simon from TruCru, we now have brand new LED, spotlight, and Gobo lighting, transforming the space into a professional performance environment. The new setup gives staff and students far more creative control over how each scene looks and feels, from subtle mood lighting to dynamic stage effects.

This investment marks an exciting step forward for our Drama department, enhancing not only our productions but also day-to-day lessons and rehearsals. Students can now experience what it is like to perform under professional theatre lighting, helping them develop their confidence, stagecraft, and technical understanding.

Sixth Form Engineers Get Inspired at Sellelectronics

A group of our Sixth Form Engineering and Physics students had the fantastic opportunity to visit Sellelectronics, one of Cornwall's leading electronics manufacturing companies.

Students enjoyed an inspiring tour of the factory and an engaging discussion with Managing Director Jon and his team. From precision engineering to advanced production technology, the visit offered a fascinating glimpse into how high-tech components are designed and manufactured.

The team at Sellelectronics were incredibly welcoming, sharing their expertise and enthusiasm for the industry. A huge thank you to everyone at Sellelectronics for providing our students with such a valuable insight into real-world engineering right here in Cornwall.



Year 7 Shine at The Big Sing!



On Tuesday 14th October, the school hall was buzzing with music, energy, and excitement as our Year 7 students took to the stage for The Big Sing. This fantastic concert was a celebration of their hard work, enthusiasm, and incredible musical talent.

From the very first note to the final bow, the performances were full of confidence, joy, and teamwork. The audience enjoyed a variety of songs that showcased not only the students' growing musical skills but also their ability to perform together as a true ensemble.

A special shout-out goes to our brilliant comperes, Lacey and Keir, who kept the evening flowing with charm, humour, and endless enthusiasm – our very own “walking, talking, eco-friendly programmes”!



The Music Department could not be prouder of every student involved. Their dedication, effort, and passion shone through in every performance, making the concert a true reflection of their talent and commitment.



Thank you to everyone who supported the event – from the families cheering in the audience to the staff working tirelessly behind the scenes.

We're already looking forward to the next big musical celebration: the Christmas Concert on Wednesday 17th December. With festive music and seasonal cheer, it promises to be another memorable evening.

Well done, Year 7 – you made The Big Sing a night to remember!

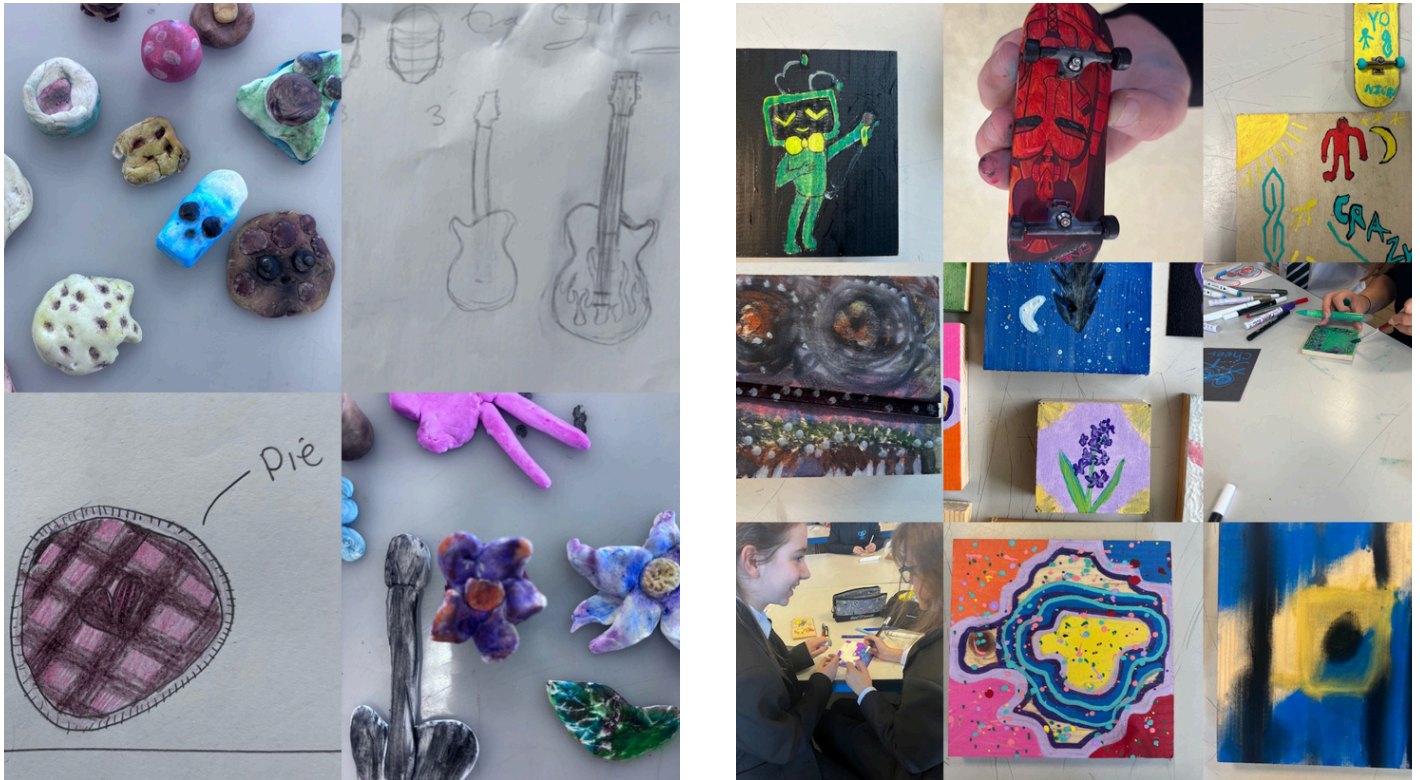


SHOWCASING CREATIVITY: ARTWORK FROM OUR TALENTED STUDENTS

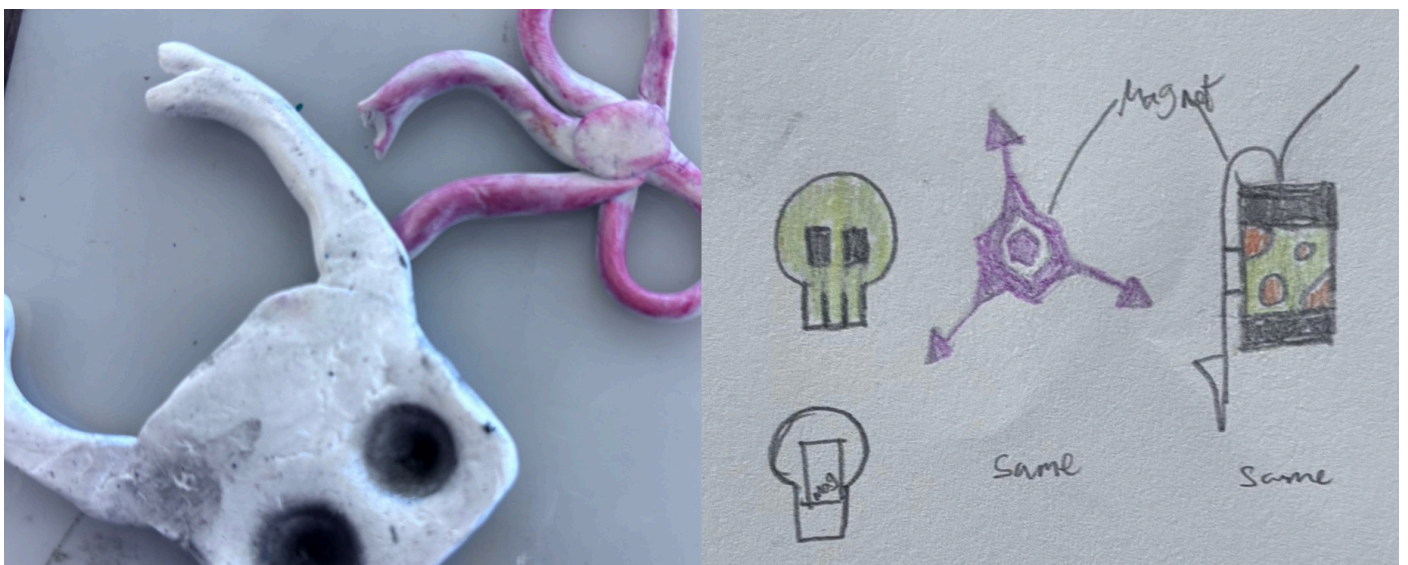
A visual celebration of the imagination, skill, and creativity of Falmouth School's young artists.

Mixed Media Wonders in Wellbeing Club

Our students in Wellbeing Club have been producing some truly fabulous mixed media artwork! They've been working with our talented artist, Chantel Oliver, exploring different materials and techniques to create stunning pieces. We're so proud of the focus and imagination they've shown!



Miniature Magic in Art Club; Meanwhile, the students in Art Club have been busy designing and crafting the sweetest miniatures! Tiny treats, cute creatures, and fantastic little creations, all ready to be baked and transformed into adorable magnets. We can't wait to see the finished results!



Our Big Thank You

Head Boy Bryn, artists Penny and Max, and Headteacher Mrs Guest had a truly memorable visit to the children's ward at Treliske Hospital to deliver the results of our Big Thank You summer project.

They presented a cheque for £868.33, alongside student-designed colouring sheets and a wide range of colouring supplies, all created to bring a little extra joy to the children.

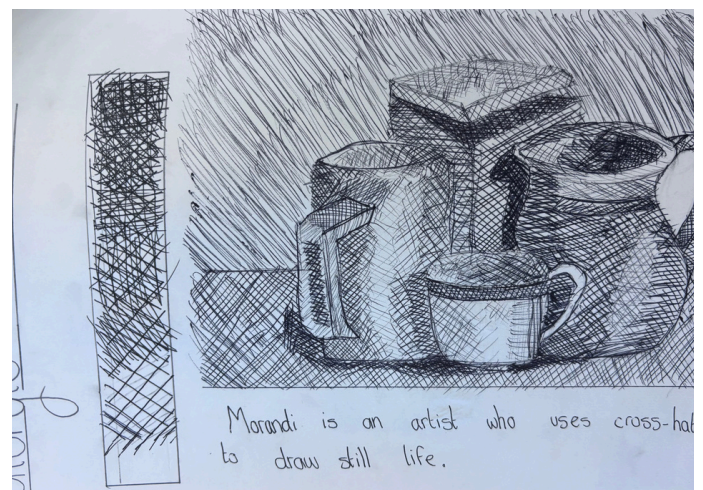
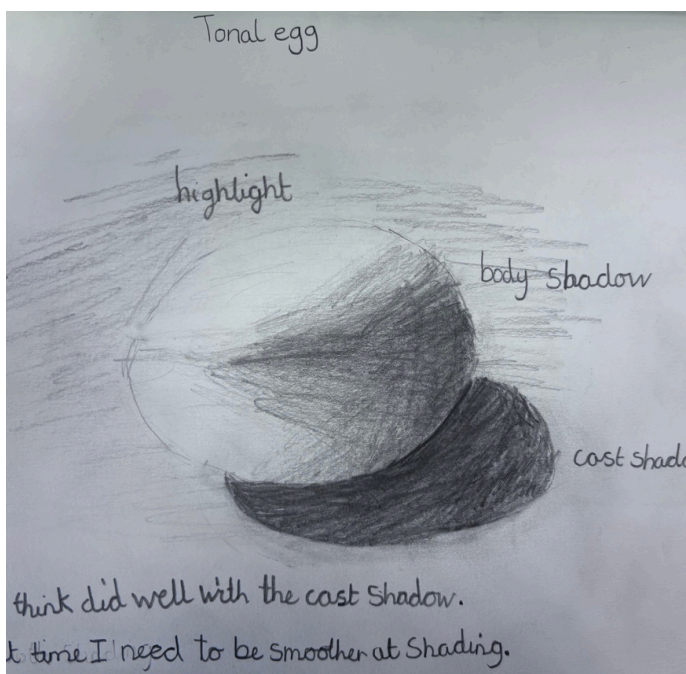
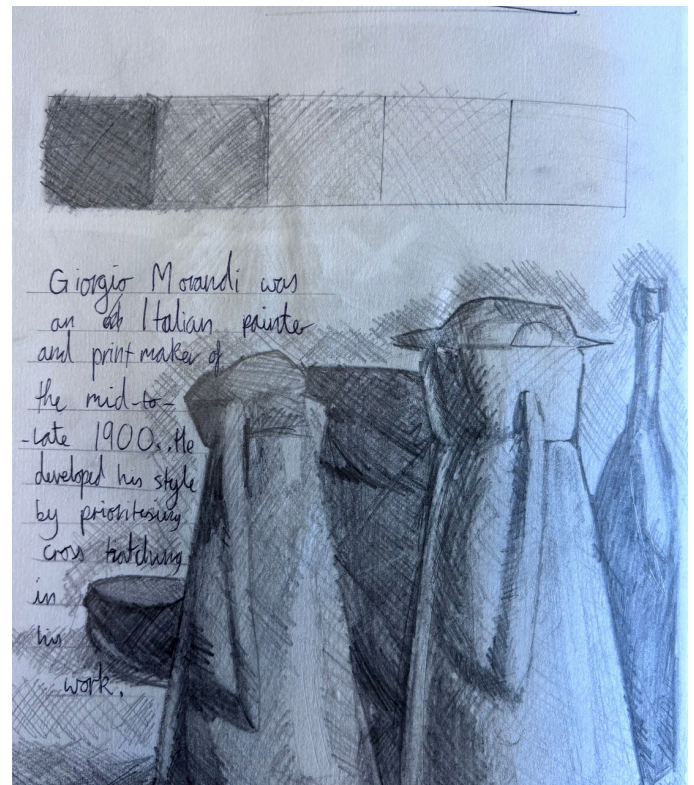
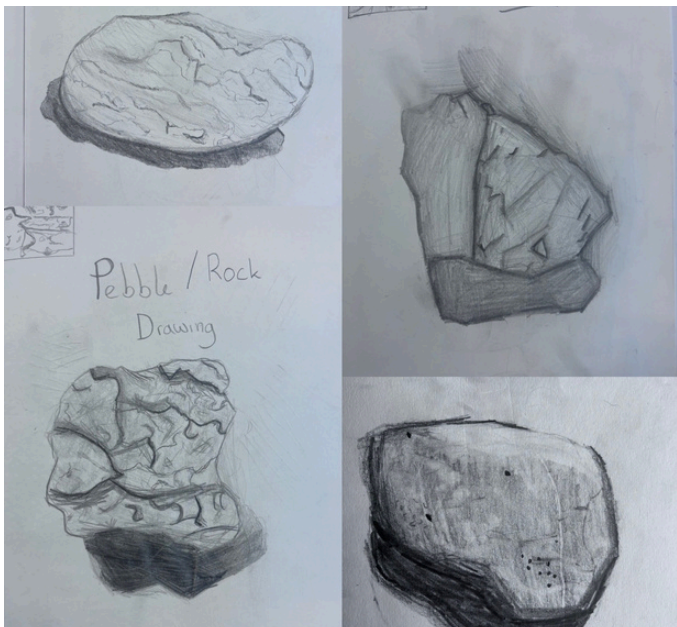


The Play Team at Treliske were thrilled to receive the donation, and it was a real privilege for our students and Headteacher to spend time on the ward, seeing the difference their efforts can make.

A huge thank you to all Falmouth School staff, students, and families whose generosity and support made this fantastic project possible!

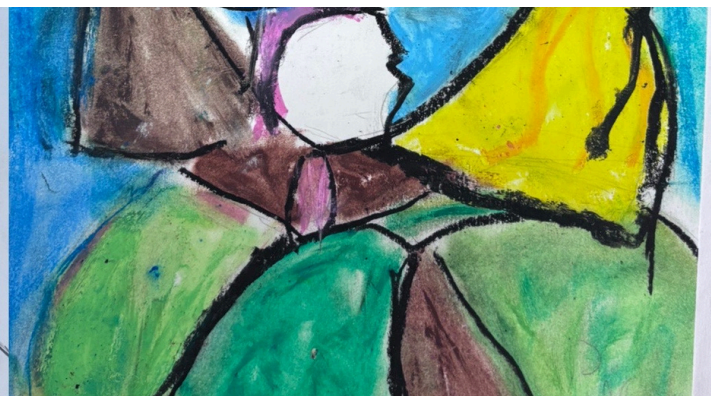
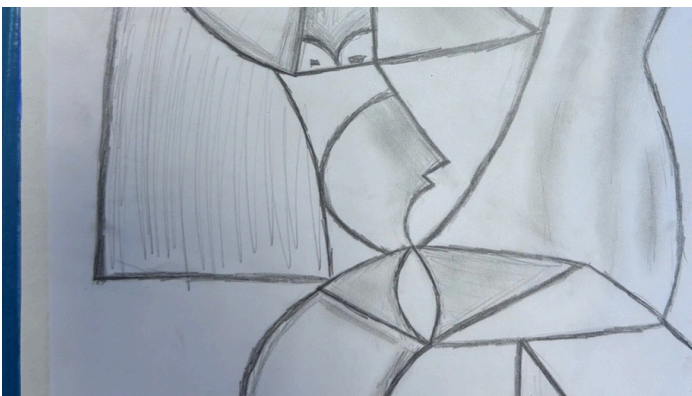
Year 7

Our Year 7 students have been building a strong foundation by learning essential drawing methods. They've also been exploring the quiet, contemplative still-life work of Italian painter Giorgio Morandi, using his style as inspiration for their own pieces.



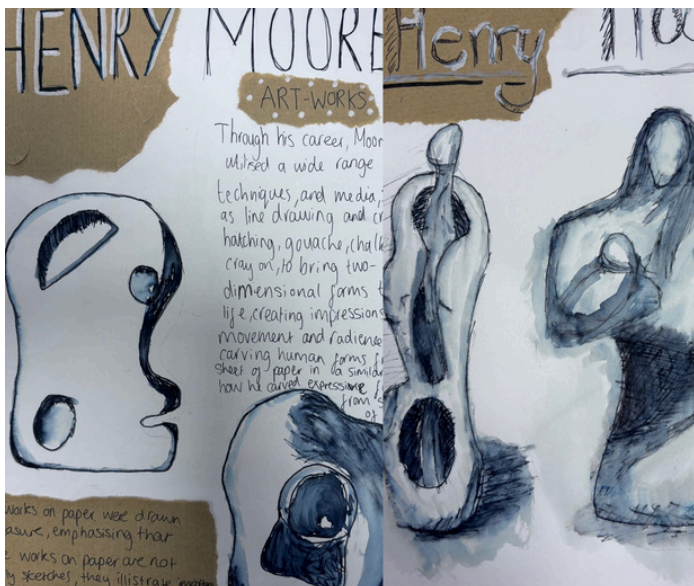
Year 8

The Year 8 students have been exploring the fascinating world of Cubism. They've analysed the revolutionary techniques of artists like Picasso and Braque and produced some truly fantastic Cubist responses themselves, abstracting form and perspective with great skill.



Year 9

Our Year 9 artists are already stepping up to a GCSE-style approach! They are focusing on impactful sketchbook pages and experimenting with mark-making to create expressive, textured effects.



FALMOUTH ART GALLERY COLLABORATION

Have you popped down to Falmouth Art Gallery yet? We're so proud of Sophia D and Ethan H in Year 8, whose stunning charcoal drawings of natural forms are now on display! Inspired by the incredible botanical photography of Karl Blossfeldt, these artworks beautifully capture the delicate structures and hidden beauty of nature.

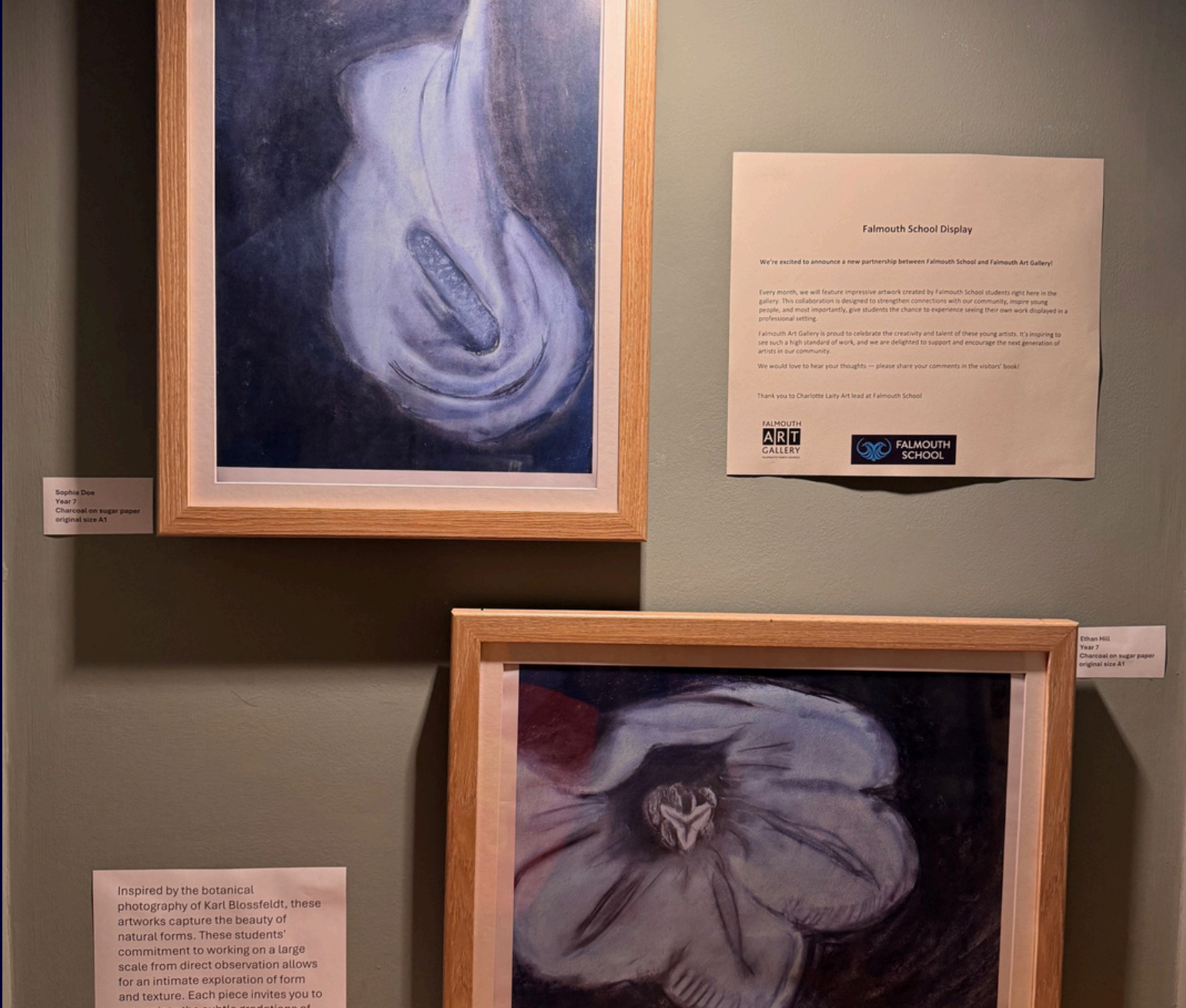
It's fantastic to see our KS3 arts week incredible kaleidoscope photographs now on display at the Falmouth Art Gallery! Back in the summer, they had fun creating their own kaleidoscopes, then took inspiration from nature to photograph organic forms, producing these stunning, fragmented images.



Our A-Level Art and Photography students had an absolutely inspiring day exploring the Falmouth art gallery and getting hands-on workshop experience.

A special thanks to artist Abigail Reynolds for a truly insightful talk. It was amazing to see our students confidently articulating their ideas and diving into the artist's techniques.

What a brilliant opportunity for developing their own creative practice! Huge thank you to the incredible team at Falmouth Art Gallery for providing this opportunity for our A Level students!



Welcoming Lee Moscato to Falmouth School

We were delighted to welcome Lee Moscato, Diocesan Director of Education for Truro, to Falmouth School for a visit. Lee spent the morning meeting with groups of students and staff, as well as visiting lessons across the school.

During his visit, Lee remarked on how strongly our students value connections, both with one another and with their teachers, a reflection of the positive, caring culture within our school community.

It was a wonderful morning, and we look forward to working with Lee again soon as we plan some exciting projects together.



A WONDERFUL START TO THE YEAR IN FALMOUTH SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

It has been a fantastic first half term in the Falmouth School Sixth Form, and we've been delighted to welcome our new students, who have quickly become part of our vibrant community.

A particular highlight this term has been the launch of our new partnership with the Jason Thomas Dance School. Their students now join us twice a week, and this collaboration is already opening up exciting opportunities for performing arts across both schools.

Our own students have made an excellent start to their studies. They have benefited from inspiring visits, including a session with the University of Bath on making the most of Sixth Form and preparing for university, as well as a workshop with the Early Careers Foundation, which offered valuable mentoring links with professionals from a range of careers.



Beyond the classroom, Sixth Form students have also enjoyed two fantastic trips, one to watch Truro City v Eastleigh and another to Adrenaline Quarry, both of which were great fun and helped strengthen friendships across the year group.

It's been a positive, energetic start to the year, and we're looking forward to building on this success next half term.



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	Place and Proportion	Representing Data	3D Shapes	Similarity
English	Stories	Conflict and Society	Dystopia	Power and Conflict
Science	Acids and Alkalis	Light and Sound	Organisation	Chemical Analysis
Geography	Global to Local	Conflict	Climate Change	Urban Issues
History	Medieval Power	Cornish History	Interwar Years	Crime and Punishment
DT	Various Projects	Various Projects	Various Projects	Coursework
Music	Rhythm	Origin of Blues	Keyboard Skills	Composition
Art	Colour Theory	Perspective	Surrealism	Ideas and Experimentation
Drama	Pantomime	Greek Theatre	Character and Comedy	Introduction to GCSE
PSHE	Online Safety	Interpersonal Skills	Healthy Relationships	Consent



FALMOUTH VI FORM

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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.

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