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Dear Parents/Carers,

In advance of this term's edition of Community News, I am writing to bring you up to date with all that has been happening at **saltash.net** and to let you know of events that will be taking place in the lead up to Christmas.

The first thing I would like to say is how pleased we have been with our new Year 7 and the way in which they have settled into life at **saltash.net**. I have been hugely impressed with the way they have been approaching their learning and with their enthusiasm for participation in the vast range of clubs and activities that we have on offer. A special thank you goes to all parents and family members who attended our 'Bring Your Grown Up to School' event on Thursday 15th October. It was great to see so many of you involved in your children's learning and giving a really clear message that our community totally supports the education taking place at our school. (A full report on Bring Your Grown Up to School will be included in Community News and will also be appearing on our website shortly.)

Thanks also go to the large number of parents who attended the Year 10 Information Evening held last week, and to those who came along to the new Year 12 Information Evening at the start of this term and the Higher Education event, also for the 6th Form, which took place a few weeks ago.

Parental involvement in the life of our school is absolutely essential for its ongoing success. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for checking your child's planner on a weekly basis and for helping, supporting and encouraging them with their home learning. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any information about how best to support your child or children – we will be only too pleased to help.

Parental involvement can, of course, be in many different ways. Recently, we have had a number of changes to our school's governing body and we have been delighted to welcome several new governors, some of whom have children at our school. Our current governing body comprises:



Mrs Kate Waghorn	Chair of Governors & Chair of Trust Board
Prof Brian Chalkley	Vice Chair of Governors and Chair of Curriculum, Standards & Achievement (CSA)
Mr Peter Whitehouse	Chair of Personnel
Mr Dave Garland	Chair of Finance

D = Director; FM = Founding Member; G= Governor.	Type of Governor & Term of Office	Committee and Links
Mr Paul Atkinson (G)	Governor (Staff) 19.9.2017	CSA and LGB (Local Governing Body)
Mrs Isobel Bryce, (D) Headteacher	Director (Staff)	Trust Board, Finance, CSA, Admissions and LGB Adviser – Personnel, Audit & Compliance (A&C) and Remuneration
Mr Peter Castell (G)	Gov (Community) 16.6.2018	CSA and LGB PD & Careers, Geography and Year 7
Prof Brian Chalkley, (D)	Director (Community) 11.1.2017	Trust Board (Vice Chair), CSA (Chair), Finance, Head's Performance Review, Admissions (Chair), Remuneration (Chair) and LGB Modern Foreign Languages
Mrs Sonia Cooper (G)	Governor (Staff) 7.2.2017	Personnel and LGB
Mr David Garland (G)	Gov (Community) 11.12.2018	Trust Board, Finance (Chair), Remuneration, A&C – Adviser and LGB ICT and Year 9
Mr Tom Mansell (D)	Director (Parent) 22.3.2017	Trust Board, Premises, Finance, CSA and LGB Art, Integrated Learning and Year 11
Mr Andrew Martin (G)	Governor (Parent) New	Personnel, A&C and LGB History and Year 13
Ms Ann-Marie Myers (G)	Governor (Parent) 14.7.2019	Finance and LGB Performing Arts
Mrs Kate Rich (G)	Governor (Parent) 14.7.2019	Finance and LGB Design Technology and Year 10
Mrs Lorna Stubbs (G)	Governor (Parent) 11.12.2018	CSA and LGB R.E. and Year 8
Mr Grant Taylor (G)	Governor (Staff) 19.9.2017	Finance
Mrs Kate Waghorn (FM)	Member (Community) 30.11.2017	Trust Board (Chair), Personnel, Finance CSA, Head's Performance Review, Admissions, Remuneration and LGB (Chair) Maths and Safeguarding
Mrs Janice Wain (G)	Governor (Parent) 14.7.2019	CSA and LGB Sociology, Psychology and Vulnerable Groups
Mr Peter Whitehouse (FM)	Member (Community) 31.12.2015	Trust Board, Finance, Personnel (Chair), Head's Performance Review and A&C Business Studies
Dr Katharine Willis (G)	Governor (Appt Par) 7.3.2016	LGB English and Media Studies
Mr David Yates (G)	Gov (Community) 31.12.2016	CSA, LGB, A&C Science
VACANCY		PE, Politics and Year 12

In addition to our Governing Body, we have a hardworking Friends of School organisation which is always keen to take on board new members. It not only organises a range of fundraising events, such as the annual 'Eat my Goal' event which this year raised over £1,000 for school funds, but it also does a great deal to support extra-curricular activities such as the forthcoming production of 'Annie' and our annual Open Evenings. If you would like to find out more about how you could become involved, then please do contact our current Chairperson, Mr Grant Taylor, on gtaylor@saltashcloud.net.

Parental requests:

- Your assistance with maintaining uniform standards is an ongoing plea! We have always done all that we can to ensure our uniform is easily obtainable and affordable. We do not stipulate a particular style of trousers or shoes but we do ask for the following:
 - Trousers must not be black jeans or jean style (with studs on pockets etc)
 - Shoes should be completely black and worn with black or white socks
- Safety on site remains a high priority so for this reason, please do not drive into the front car park to collect your children at the end of our school day. With service buses and taxis already there, alongside staff vehicles, the area is always full. Please arrange to meet your child or children away from the school site. Care should also be taken with parking down at the Broad Walk entrance to the school.
- Please continue to talk with your children about safety when walking or cycling to and from school. We have received some calls from concerned local residents who have reported seeing our students not using the pavements to walk on, and not looking when they cross the roads.

Staffing update:

I am pleased to be able to confirm the following permanent appointments at **saltash.net community school:**

High Performance Coordinator Key Stage 2 & 3 (Most Able)	Mr Paul Horrell phorrell@saltashcloud.net
High Performance Coordinator Key Stage 4 & 5	Mr Mat Turner mturner@saltashcloud.net
International Coordinators	Mrs Melanie Carr mcarr@saltashcloud.net Ms Elodie Tremallat etremallat@saltashcloud.net
Duke of Edinburgh's Award Coordinator	Miss Vicky Higgs vhiggs@saltashcloud.net
Parental Engagement Coordinator	Ms Lucy Sayer (who will work alongside Mr James Romain in this role) lsayer@saltashcloud.net
Please note that our Parental Support Adviser is Mr David McKie who can be reached on dmckie@saltashcloud.net	
Teaching Assistants:	Ms Jemma Speare Ms Hannah Stephens Ms Leah Morgan

Student successes:

There have been numerous student achievements over the past term which we will be pleased to cover in Community News. With the GCSE Presentation Evening having taken place on Thursday 19th November, I would like to highlight the high performers from this summer's GCSE cohort and congratulate them on their outstanding levels of achievement:

Alex Ferguson, Ed Gilford, Lily Carreiro-Spencer, Bronwen Hall, Bethan Barrett, Rose Bonner, India Colton, Hollie Diplock, Nathan Fowell, Bethan Gerrard, Michael Hambly, Lydia Herbert, Emily Hollister, Katy James, Will Illingworth, Kieran Marley, Ellie Mansfield, Peter Martin, Abi Medland, Beth Parsons, Rachel Price, Kirsten Procter, Ben Reynolds, Lucy Sarel, Toby Shotton, Jenny Spencer, Michael Spencer, Walter Stroud, Emily Sweet, Rosie Thompson, Elliot Wearne-Gould and Jack Willcocks

I'd also like to give praise to the whole of year 11 last year who not only did the school and their families proud with their academic outcomes but also did so much to contribute to the life of our school with their extensive involvement in extra-curricular activities and charity events. Thanks go to deputy head, Mrs Griffin, for all that she did to coordinate the arrangements for the Presentation Evening. We were very pleased to welcome Director of Plymouth Argyle, Peter Jones, and player, Reuben Reid as our Guests of Honour. With Argyle at the top of Division 2, this was a great time for us to be able to have their input to one of our key rewards and aspirations events. Highlights of the event will be in our forthcoming Community News.

Another individual student that I would like to say a massive 'well done' to is Year 7, George Falconer, from tutor group 7SP, who recently attended the National Gymnastics competition in Birmingham. His team came second overall, but George came FIRST in the individual competition – a truly remarkable achievement and one which I know has been secured through enormous hard work, commitment and effort.

Charity efforts:

Thank you for your ongoing support for our charity events. So far this term we have raised the following:

£729.54	Shelterbox
£168.48	Macmillan Cancer Care
£810.05	Breast Cancer
£373.47 plus 120 gift boxes donated	Love in a Box

Currently ongoing is our 'Movember' fundraising event for Men's Health awareness. This will culminate in a best moustache competition at the end of the month. There will also be a non-uniform day on Friday 11th December in support of the 'Kambeng Trust' and 'Text Santa'. Also taking place on that day will be a 12 hour sponsored row organised by the 6th Form to raise money for Cancer Research.

Our Christmas raffle this year will be in aid of Year 9 student, Jack Phelan's fundraising efforts to provide a defibrillator for the town of Saltash. Any donations for the raffle will be most welcome.

Other events coming up:



Annie
THE MUSICAL

8th-11th December
7.00pm

Full Price: £6 Concessions: £3

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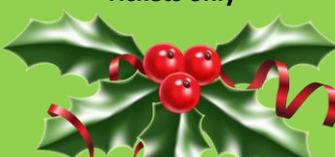
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Year 7
Christmas Carol Concert

St Stephen's Church
Saltash

11.45am – 12.45pm
Tickets only



Diary Dates:

Thursday 26th November	Year 11 Parents' Surgery
Wednesday 2nd December	Year 12/13 Parents' Surgery
Tues 8th – Fri 11th December	'Annie' – Whole School Production
Thursday 17th December	Sixth Form Presentation Evening 7.00pm
Friday 18th December	Year 7 Carol Concert, St Stephen's Church
Friday 18th December	End of Term. EARLY CLOSURE 1.20pm. (Lunch facilities will be available at breaktime and Breakfast club will operate as normal)
Monday 4th January	Spring Term commences

School Fund:

Our friends of school do much to support functions and events at **saltash.net** and also arrange fundraising events to improve areas within the school. In recent years these funds have helped provide a canopied area in the Year 9/10 playground, updated the sound system in the main hall and provided additional resources for several curriculum areas.

Each year the friends of school welcome donations from parents of either £5 per annum or £2 per term, payable via the school's Parent Pay system. Thank you, again, for your ongoing support.

I hope I will see many of you at our whole school production of 'Annie'. Our Head of Performing Arts, Mrs Venner, and her team, and all of the students involved have worked so hard on the show – they really do deserve the best possible audience!

I would like to end this newsletter by saying how proud I feel of the young people at our school who have shown respect, maturity, compassion and responsibility as they have honoured the silences on Armistice Day, 11th November, and last Monday 16th November, when we remembered all those who had lost their lives in the Paris Terrorist attacks. Through assemblies and in different subject areas, opportunities have been provided for our school community to reflect on all that has happened and to remember why our core values will continue to remain at the heart of all that we do at **saltash.net**.

With all good wishes,



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