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# The Callington Voice



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF CALLINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE



## Fifty and fabulous!

Welcome to the 50th publication of The Callington Voice! After a tumultuous and difficult third week of November and a requirement to close for three days, I am delighted to say that we have had no further cases this week and all affected individuals are healthy and fit and if not already back in College, will be on Monday. Thank you for your support over this time, it has been heart-felt and has helped us all.

It was raised in the Parent Forum and is reflected in our most recent surveys that our virtual learning offer was much better this time around. This is great news and something we worked really hard on. We know that there were too many worksheets in the Summer and a lack of face to face contact and feedback. We know from your feedback that this time, learning was much more structured, feedback more helpful and students had a positive experience overall. Thank you for completing our surveys which provide us much needed feedback to inform our improvements.

It might have been delayed by a week, but our Anti-Bullying promotions have still gained great momentum this week with odd socks galore on Monday and some fabulous mission statements have been created in tutor time and displayed in varying windows around the College. This

is such an important event and of course, not just a one week promotion. Our motto continues to be "Work Hard, Be Nice" because it is simple, effective and easy to promote. To reiterate to you, as I do to students; We take bullying very, very seriously.



It is not tolerated and we will deploy a full range of sanctions as appropriate in response.

Finally, our Christmas hamper project is also gaining momentum and there have been some wonderful and truly generous donations from local companies and members of our community. This will make a real difference to so many and I'm really grateful to our staff steering group, who have initiated and promoted this wonderful event.

I can hardly believe there are only three weeks left of this term but I am looking forward to the joy of a small morsel of chocolate each morning from an Advent calendar! It also means that we have Christmas jumper day, varying themed events and the joy of sharing cards and messages for friends and family members to look forwards to. Continue to stay safe and well. **Mrs W Ainsworth**

# WORK HARD BE NICE

# Callington Community College

Do you wish to continue a successful route into the career of your choice?

## VIRTUAL SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thursday 3 December 2020 6:30pm

Zoom | Meeting ID 879 7851 3201 | Password 97ATxQ

A-Level and  
Vocational

Excellent Progress  
and Results

Ofsted Rating  
"Good"



"Students are very well  
prepared for life in  
21st Century Britain"  
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"Students receive high  
quality careers guidance"  
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"The Sixth Form provides  
students with a good  
quality of education"  
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broaden your horizons

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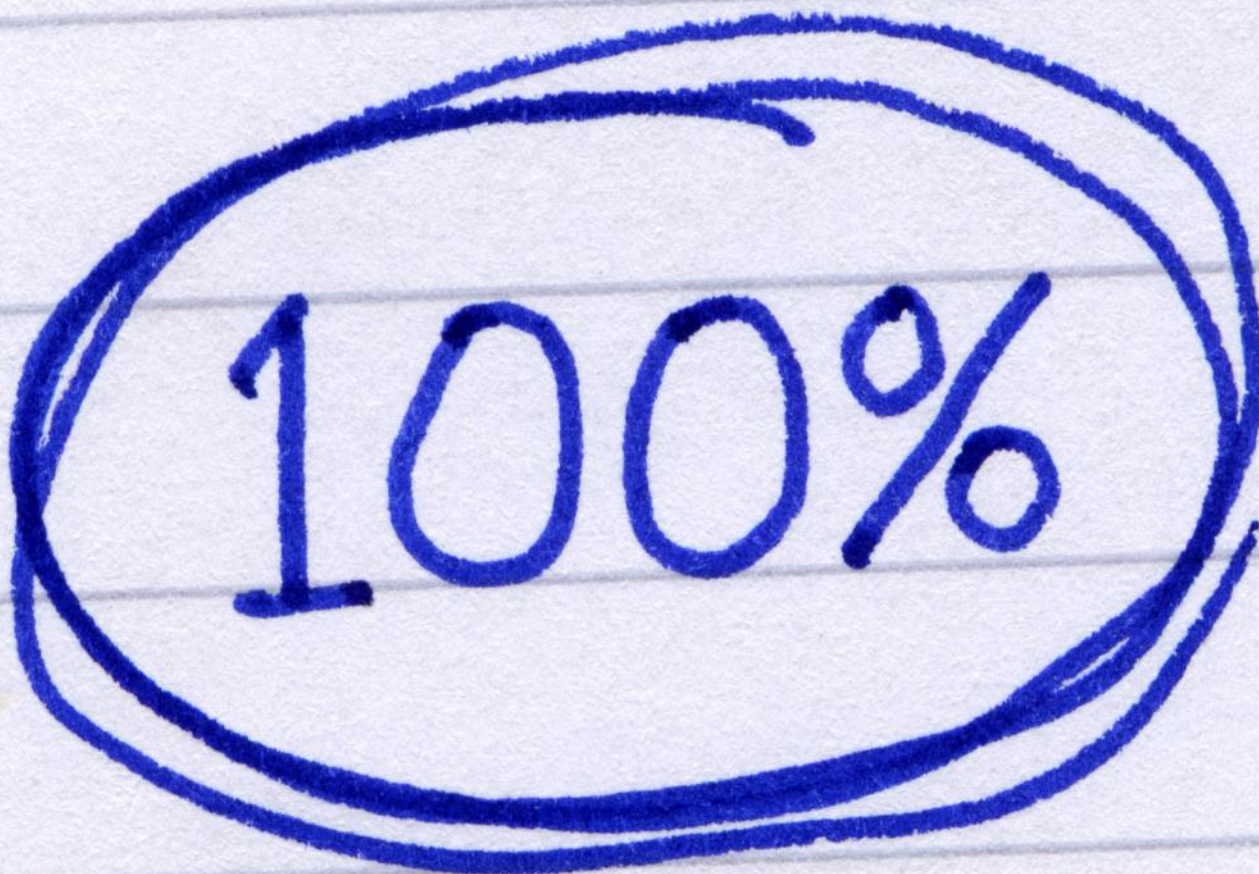
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# Parent Voice. It Matters.

Thank you to our parents/carers who have participated in our recent surveys. Your feedback is always really useful to us and collectively helps drive our improvements. Please see the results and our actions to some of your comments below.

**Did you find the Year 9, 10, 11 or 13 Information Evening informative/worthwhile?** 100% of respondents said YES.



100%

Do you have any areas of concern that you feel were not addressed during the evening?

Yes

15.6%

No

84.4%

Parents/carers have indicated a strong desire for an opportunity for a face-to-face meeting. We are upgrading our Parents' Evening booking system and hope to bring you news soon of virtual Parents' Evenings

Remote Learning. My child receives work that is appropriately challenging.

Yes

78.8%

No

5.8%

Other

15.4%

Parents have been very positive about the new resources and 'live lessons'. Parents have indicated that it would be helpful to ensure all work is set the day before - this would help parents to support learning at home.

Remote Learning. I know where to get support to help my child learn at home (e.g. online resources).

Yes

78.4%

No

14.1%

Other

11.5%

Some families felt unsure how to access Zoom and/or College resources. We are working on videos to support parents/carers with how to navigate our learning platforms.

# National Poetry Day 2020

National Poetry Day took place on Thursday 1 October. To mark the occasion the English Ambassadors launched a poetry competition open to all students in Years 7 - 11.

The English Ambassadors decided on the theme for the poetry competition and chose the theme 'Lockdown'. Students were asked to try and think about their own experiences or the experiences of others over the last few months and write a poem that reflects upon the national lockdown and the impact of the Coronavirus.

Prizes have been awarded for the winning poem (overleaf) and special commendations for those whose poems come in second and third place.

# NATIONAL POETRY DAY 2020

## See It Like a Poet

# Poetry

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Attendance Update w/c 16.11.20

You've got to be in it, to win it!

**7LSF**

**95.8%**

**8AL**

**95.9%**

**9RPR**

**97.1%**

**10MAH**

**87.5%**

**11MB**

**90.7%**

# Nature Awaits Beyond the Pandemic

## The winning poem...

The noble oak tree branches waving majestically in the breeze,

The sage green leaves flutter and sway delicately with ease.

I walked down the farmers' lane, walked a hundred times before,  
Alfie dustily padding and lead in my hand, I looked down at the floor.

Beetles, worms and slugs,

Beautiful stones and bright coloured bugs, I stopped and stared in awe.

Birds tweeting, lambs leaping,

The strong bitter smell of manure the farmer is keeping.

Growing crops for us all to enjoy and feast on,

The thoughts in my brain now all gone.

Bees humming in a flowery hedge, a butterfly on my arm,

Munching and tearing of grass by the cows,

Ducks quacking at the nearby farm.

I can't hear the cars or lorries, or see the holiday planes,

The crystal blue skies, the arctic white clouds and a horse neighs and shakes its mane.

As Alfie and I ambled here and there, I thought Wow! this nature is all for free,

A walk we have done many times before, but it took a pandemic to SEE.

**Abigail 7MTM**

# National Poetry Day 2020 Commendations

## Lockdown - Freya 7GZ

It's the first day of lockdown,  
Each minute is sadder than before.  
Sitting bored as the spring goes by,  
While I'm locked up indoors

There is still love in the air,  
Which seems a joy to all.  
To bare trees buds begin to form  
and flowers bloom in the greenest hedgerows

My sisters!  
Now loud and sad.  
Make haste to their morning walk,  
Come forth and feel the air it's warm

They put on their shoes with excitement,  
We have to be quick as we only have an hour.  
We hop and skip and run  
With what the fresh air has done

It's now a universal birth,  
From heart to heart it's stealing.  
From man to earth, and earth to man,  
It is a never ending feeling

Love, sorrow, loss, and fear and jut a little hope

It feels like there is no cure,  
But soon it will be ending.  
Now life is hard but we are brave,  
We can get through this if the right choices are made.

## Please talk and stay awhile - Olivia 8BRM

Please talk and stay awhile,  
For through these empty halls,  
Company is welcomed,  
No need to be ashamed,  
For joy and happiness are the best medicines,  
Please fill my home with love once more,  
Bring back life,  
For through these empty halls,  
Company is welcomed.

Please talk and stay awhile,  
For boredom has gotten the better of me,  
Don't fear me,  
Show me,  
Who do you call for help,  
As this may help you,  
But never me,  
For boredom has gotten the better of me.





# Anti-Bullying Week 2020

This week Callington Community College has been taking part in Anti-Bullying Week 2020. Even though we were forced to delay, we as a school have not let our closure stop us from promoting our Anti-Bullying messages. This week has seen us a College community come together to be united against Bullying.

On Monday, students and staff wore odd socks as a visual message to show that they support the Anti-Bullying Alliance and its theme for Anti-Bullying Week 2020 of being united against Bullying. We were able to raise money for the Anti-Bullying Alliance so that it can continue its work around Anti-Bullying so that young people and adults are educated about the dangers and impact that bullying can have on anyone who experiences it.

bullying problem. We believe that by allowing our students clear methods to report their concern we as a College will be able to act swiftly to resolve any issue. Anti-Bullying Ambassadors are key to this process and are another person that any students can turn to if they feel that they are being bullied.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the students that have helped make this week happen. Thank you also to Mr Lane, Mr Hortop and Ms Harbottle for your support.

The College will continue to spread the message and support its students with any matter that is bullying related. We look forward participating in further Anti-Bullying events this year and watch this space for more news. **Mr A Murray**

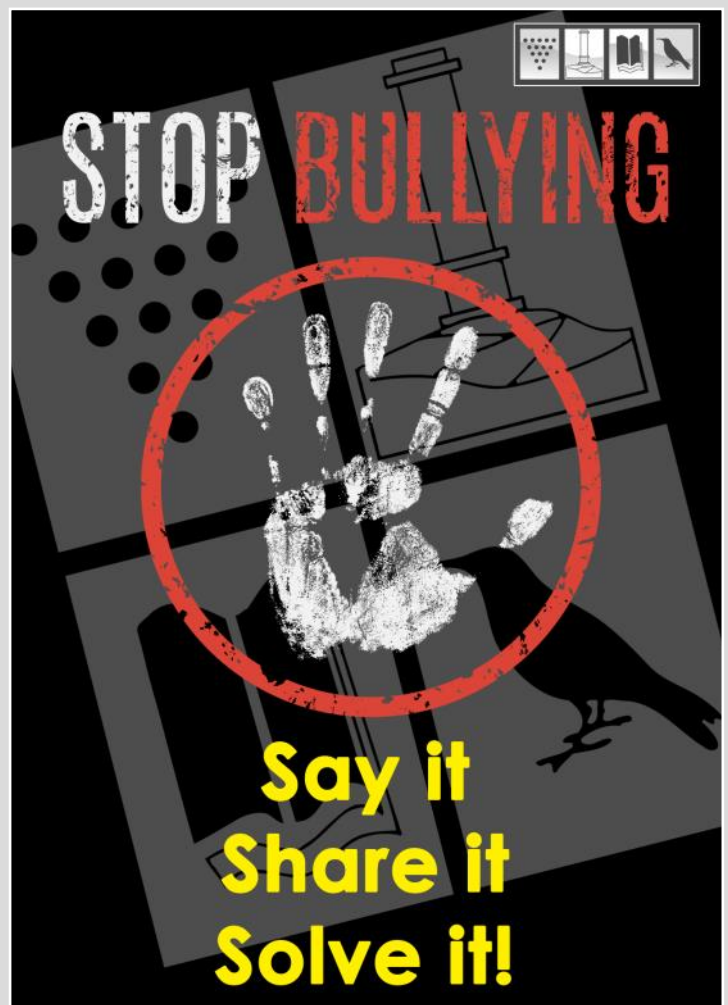
# Be a BUDDY NOT a BULLY



Students and staff also took part in a pledge activity. Students with their tutor came up with various ways that they could pledge their support for Anti-Bullying. These pledges were written down on a pledge board, and have been displayed in classroom windows for all to see. These pledges will

now be collected and displayed in the Main Hall as a symbol of how Callington Community College is united against bullying.

This week also saw the appointment of new Anti-Bullying ambassadors. As a College we now have Anti-Bullying ambassadors in every year group. These ambassadors will work to spread the messages of Anti-Bullying across the College. They are also going to be trained so that they know how to access the Student Bullying Concern Form that alerts all pastoral staff to a



# Knighthood awarded to former Callington student

A scientist whose research has helped lead to advances in fields as diverse as television screens and medical diagnosis has been given a knighthood. Professor Roy Sambles is a Professor in Experimental Physics at the University of Exeter. Brought up at Cotehele, he was educated at Callington Grammar School before going on to study at Imperial College London.

During his 46-year career, Professor Sambles has published over 520 scientific papers and has made significant contributions to our understanding of the melting process, spin waves in metals, resistivity of thin metal films, molecular rectification, liquid crystal optics, plasmonics and microwave and acoustic metamaterials.

His early work focused on unravelling, using electron microscopy, the fundamentals of melting and evaporation of metal particles. Later in his career, he also opened up research into natural photonics where his pioneering studies of the photonic structures in butterfly wings paved the way for new research in this area. The research carried out by his group has had applications in liquid crystal displays for televisions and computer displays, highly sensitive detection of

materials (for example for medical diagnosis), and optical and microwave communication. In 2012 he was awarded the Faraday Medal for his pioneering research in experimental condensed matter physics. His citation at the time read that he had "an unusually broad record of pioneering research, which he has then passed on to younger colleagues to allow them fully to develop their own careers."

Since 2014 Professor Sambles has led an Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) Doctoral Training Centre in Metamaterials, supporting more than 80 PhD students over an eight-year period. He was a Council member of the EPSRC from 2008 to 2014 and he served on the Defence Science Advisory Committee from 2005 to 2011, sitting on the Board of the Counter-terrorism centre from 2006 to 2013. He was a member of the 2014 REF Physics panel and is currently chair of the Royal Society Research Grants Board.

Sir Roy receives his knighthood alongside fellow scientists, authors, sportspeople and entertainers including household names such as Mary Berry and Tommy Steele.

Do you have any good news stories that you would like to share?

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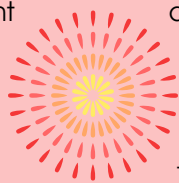
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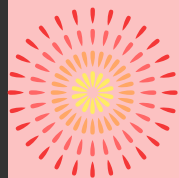


# Praise like sunlight helps us grow!

The following students have all been recognised in the past fortnight for their outstanding commitment to learning. These names have been put forward from Curriculum Leaders and we as a College would like to publically praise them.

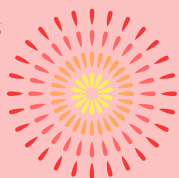


As a College we will be working hard this year to develop our rewards program further. Watch this space for further details of how we go about recognising our amazing students. **Mr A Murray**



Congratulation to **Rupert** in **7AP**. He has been nominated by Ms Wilson and Dr Turner as a **Science** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for always being ready to contribute in lessons.

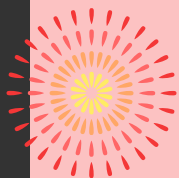
Congratulation to **George Law** in **8BRM**. He has been nominated by Mr Taylor and Dr Turner as a **Science** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for being very passionate about Science and sharing his knowledge from reading way beyond the scope of the course.



Congratulation to **Max** in **10BW**. He has been nominated by Mrs Ainsworth and Dr Turner as a **Science** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for asking great questions and being passionate about the subject - engaging in further reading and research beyond homework or classwork needs. He always wants to explore his understanding and deepen it.



Congratulation to **Millie Whittaker** in **11JT**. She has been nominated by Mrs Frost and Dr Turner as a **Science** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for great home learning whilst we were closed.



Congratulation to **Rosie Petherick-Davies** in **13MH**. She has been nominated by Mrs Hills and Dr Turner as a **Science** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for being an excellent student of the highest calibre. Talented biologist, who puts in maximum effort at all times to develop and deepen her understanding.

Congratulation to **Blossom Congdon** in **9YG**. She has been nominated by Mr Hutchins and Dr Turner as a

**Science** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for being always 100% focused and working hard in class and at home. She also makes excellent, thoughtful contributions to class discussions and has made fantastic progress since the beginning of term.

Congratulation to **Masie Grose** in **11IS**. She has been nominated by Mr Murray as a **Business Studies** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for excellent commitment to learning and consistent completion of outstanding home learning.



Congratulation to **Brandon** in **11LH**. He has been nominated by Mr Murray as a **Business Studies** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for excellent distance learning work and contribution to lessons.

Congratulation to **Sophie Fox** in **7MP**. She has been nominated by Mrs Yendell as an **English** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for contributing to the lesson much more. She has also been spot on and very perceptive.

Congratulation to **Zack** in **8AMR**. He has been nominated by Mrs Yendell as an **English** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for perceptive responses and higher level understanding. Always polite and helpful!

Congratulation to **Blossom Congdon** in **9YG**. She has been nominated by Mrs Yendell as an **English** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for always on task, tries her best and recently submitted a fabulous piece of homework.



Congratulation to **Lucas Rendle** in **10SC**. He has been nominated by Mrs Yendell as an **English** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for improved effort and excellent understanding in English.

Congratulation to **Alex Long** in **11CEM**. He has been nominated by Mrs Yendell as an **English** student of the fortnight. The reason for this award is for engagement with Macbeth has been fab and he's really stepped up in terms of his commitment to English this year.

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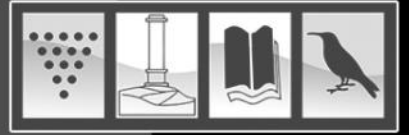
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# STOP BULLYING



**Say it  
Share it  
Solve it!**



# 7 Ways That Mocks Are Good For You

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1. Motivate you to do revision early
2. Help you identify topics you need to revise
3. Test effective revision strategies
4. You can get used to exam pressure
5. Allow you to practise exam techniques
6. Increase belief that exams are doable
7. Are an opportunity to ask for help



# 5 THINGS WORTH KNOWING ABOUT MEN'S HEALTH

LEARN THEM, LIVE THEM,  
AND PASS THEM ALONG.

## 01

### MAKE MAN TIME

Stay connected. Spending time with your friends is good for you. Catch up regularly, check in and make time.

## 02

### HAVE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Talk about what's really going on. Listen. Being there for someone can be lifesaving.

## 03

### KNOW THE NUMBERS

At 50, talk to your doctor about prostate cancer. If you're of African or Caribbean descent, or have a family history of prostate cancer, have the conversation at 45.

## 04

### KNOW THY NUTS

Give 'em a feel regularly and get to know what's normal for you. Something doesn't seem right? Go to the doctor.

## 05

### MOVE MORE

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