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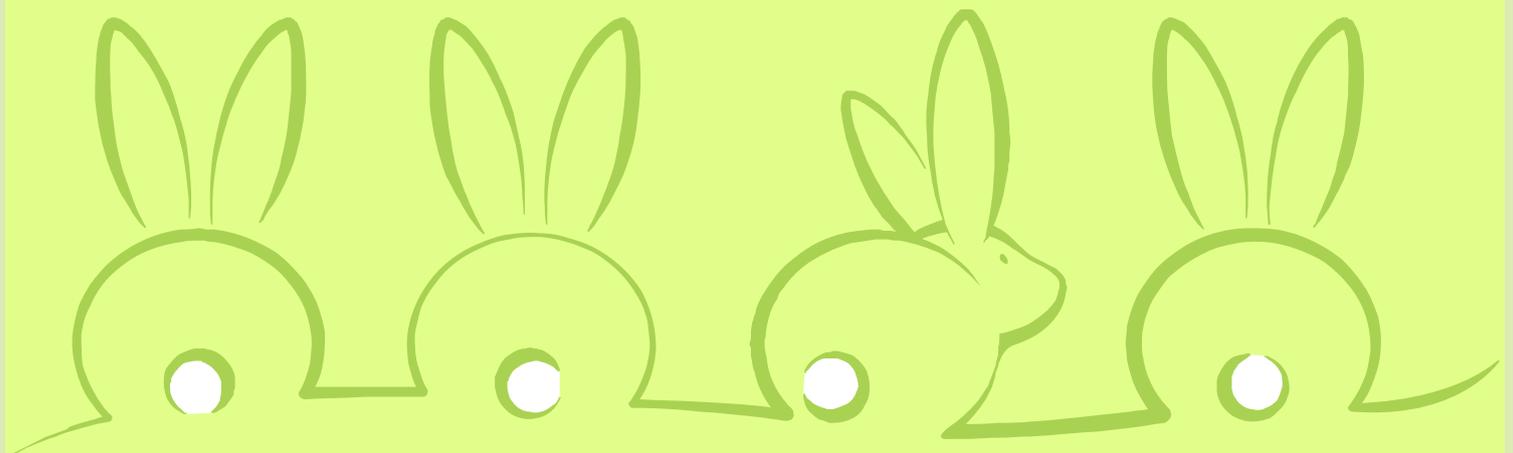
HAPPY Easter

It's been a really busy term, as ever! Thank you for your continued support. It really is appreciated.

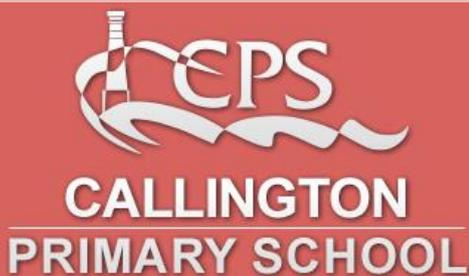
This term has seen Callington Community College host our Year 8 into Year 9 Choices Evening – students have been doing some serious thinking about the subjects they are choosing. Their counterparts in Year 11, meanwhile, are now very close to the exam season. This is a challenging time that requires extra resolve and application. The enthusiasm and determination I see daily from students demonstrates that they are rapidly becoming ready to sit their examinations as they are moving closer to fulfilling their potential. I encourage students to make use of the tips and resources we have shared with them as we work together in this intense period. I am glad so many of our students have signed up to the extra revision sessions – and thank you to parents and carers who are supporting with this - I must also acknowledge the staff who have given their time for these sessions. It just shows how committed everyone is at Callington Community

College to helping our students achieve the very best for themselves.

It is a source of great pride to us that a group of our students this week performed a play called 'Variations' - they will very soon be performing at the Theatre Royal in Plymouth as part of the National Theatre's Connections festival. The visiting Director from the National Theatre said 'I have travelled five hours to see this - I would have travelled twenty, forty, sixty...!'. Another event I am immensely proud of is today's Ocean Day which has been led by Deputy Head Boy, Charles Bagshaw and Mrs S Olsson. Students in Year 7 have had the opportunity to explore the barriers to a more eco future and how to overcome them. I hope to bring you lots of pictures from this really valuable initiative after the Easter break. Happy Easter! **Mr K Dyke - Interim Principal**



Callington Calling Festival



Yesterday, Sixth Form music students, our Junior String Ensemble and the College Soul Band went to perform at Callington Primary School's first festival. It was our first music event at our local Primary School for many years, and we hope to continue to work closely with them to inspire primary school students to learn a musical instrument.



There were some fantastic solo performances from our Sixth Form students (Beth Coggon, Harvey James, Ollie Waite, Amy Phillips,

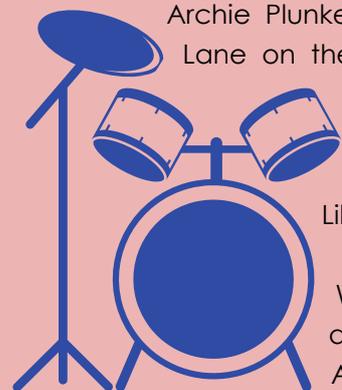
Luke Bunkum and James Jack), whilst as normal the Soul Band delivered some amazing music and opened their performance slot with their latest addition, Hold My Hand (Jess Glynn), which the children at the primary all knew and loved. Soul Band are quickly becoming one of our leading public ensembles, instantly loved at every event they play. Our Junior String Ensemble was a real highlight of the event. Comprised of only three year 8 students, Ana Pascoe,

Archie Plunkett and Lily Plunkett, accompanied by Mr Lane on the Piano and led by Mr Phil Montgomery-Smith, Junior Strings rarely perform in any

event other than our own Carol Show and Concerts. However, they offered a different sort of music to the event, playing Pachelbel's Canon In D Major, One Day Like This and a Pirates of The Caribbean Medley - just brilliant!

A huge thank you from the primary school for bringing the amazing bands to kick off our festival.

Mr M Shirley
Headteacher
Callington Primary School



What was really fantastic about the performance opportunity was the amount of ex-Callington Primary School students that performed. With Archie, Lily and Ana from the Junior Strings all being ex-students at the primary, there was also Sixth Formers Luke Bunkum and James Jack, who delivered some great solo pieces, Harry Tredinnick on lights and sound, and Eva Pascoe who sang some amazing duets with Aaron Chinn. From the primary school students' point of view, our students give them a real sense of where they could end up in several years time.



All in all, it was a great event and the students really enjoyed themselves, dancing like mad across the dance floor, with some teachers joining the dancing discreetly at the back! Well done to all the music students involved in all the events this term - and what a busy and fantastic term it has been! **Mr T Crago**



Holocaust Education Trust Workshops

On Monday 4 February myself, Ella Nicole and Mrs Wilson visited Poland with the Holocaust Education Trust, as part of the lessons from Auschwitz programme. The programme intends to educate the participants of the programme in Jewish life before the war and humanisation of all victims of the Holocaust, with this in mind our first visit was to Oświęcim, the town close to the first Auschwitz camp where the Jewish community lived before the outbreak of the Second World War. After visiting Oświęcim we were taken on a tour through the Auschwitz museum, situated in Auschwitz One, and Auschwitz Birkenau ending with a service held by a rabbi working with the Holocaust Education Trust.

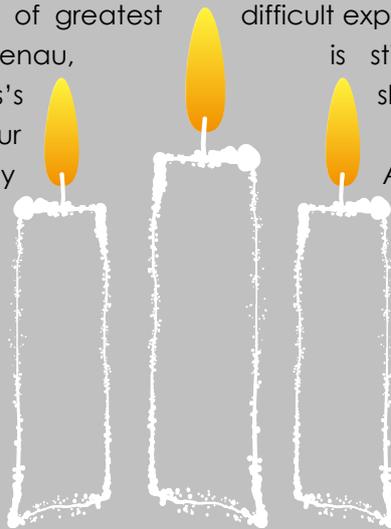
This experience was incredibly powerful and moving, and up to this point has been difficult to talk about in detail due to the impact the programme has had on me, specifically the points in the camp of greatest significance (the train tracks through Birkenau, the gallows constructed for Rudolf Hess's execution). Throughout the experience our guide informed us about the day to day lives of prisoners inside the camps of Auschwitz One and Auschwitz Birkenau, which proved all the more powerful after hearing a survivor's testimony, of her experience inside of a concentration camp and the hardships endured on a daily basis, some weeks earlier. Personally, the places that struck me the most were, the gallows constructed for the execution of Rudolf Hess (who was a prominent member of the Nazi party and oversaw the running of Auschwitz One) as the death sentence given to Hess was far more dignified than any person detained inside the camp, people who deserved a much better life than Hess allowed them to have. The entire camp of Auschwitz Birkenau was so vast it stretched as far as the eye could see, the bleakness and silence of the camp will stay with me for a long time, however the most chilling feature of the camp for me was the demolished lab of Dr Josef Mendel (the Nazi Doctor who experimented on prisoners in the camp). Seeing Mendel's laboratory will stay in my mind for years as it created

sense of intense realism to where we were, (as we are lucky enough to live in a time in which an atrocity of this scale and inhuman nature seems too cruel to have taken place) especially after seeing images of Mendel's experiments in the Auschwitz museum.

The exhibit that effected both Ella and I greatly was the gas chamber in Auschwitz One, even now it is a difficult experience to recall and discuss, however it is still important that this experience is shared.

As not all students who wish to visit Auschwitz can every year, therefore, Ella invited a Holocaust Education Trust educator in to run workshops which took place earlier this week. The aim of the workshops was to educate students on the pre-war life of Jewish communities and the humanisation of victims of the holocaust. **Joshua Clark Year 13**

The Holocaust Educational Trust was established in 1988. Their aim is to educate young people from every background about the Holocaust and the important lessons to be learned for today.



A great reason for doing your homework!

Sparx Maths Homework helps schools to set and manage personalised maths homework for every student. Students get bespoke online homework each week, tailored to how they learn and focused on the areas they are finding difficult. They also get access to thousands of step-by-step video tutorials to help them understand maths topics.

With Sparx, homework is always at just the right level of difficulty for students. This means there's far less chance of students feeling overwhelmed or frustrated. Students get a unique flow of questions that helps them make maximum progress. This feeling of progress, in turn, helps increase their motivation to learn.

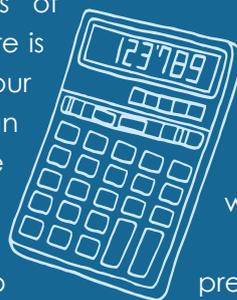
Sparx is still very much in its infancy at Callington Community College – Miss Y Pocula earlier this week attended a training session in Exeter – she reports the following:

I like doing my Sparx homework because it's better than all my other homework. It chooses the questions and how many you get depending on what you struggle with and what you're good at.



On Tuesday evening I was lucky enough to participate in a training event held by Sparx, the Year 7 homework system, up in Exeter. At this evening we looked at different types of problem solving and something called variation theory.

Variation theory is looking at a problem and seeing how the following question is linked then looking at the effect it may have on the answer. The problem solving part was excellent and hopefully you'll see lots of examples of this in your maths lessons. Here is a challenge for you to try, please send your answers to ypocula@callingtoncc.net. Can you fill in the multiplication square? The numbers 2 to 12 were used to generate it,

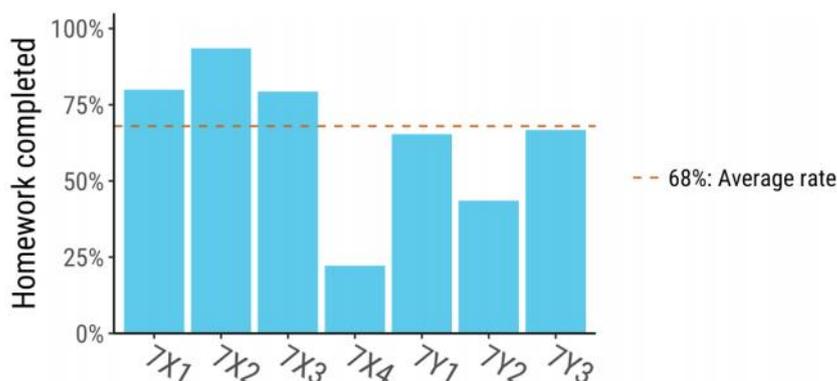


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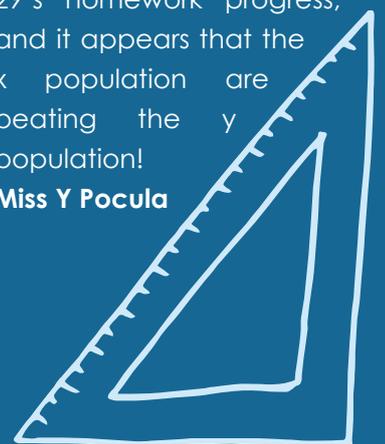
Whilst I was at the event, 7X2 were also presented with a certificate from Sparx to congratulate them on providing excellent feedback so that the homework could improve. I've attached week

Compulsory on-time completion by class for Week 29



29's homework progress; and it appears that the x population are beating the y population!

Miss Y Pocula



Students of the Term



On Thursday 4 April we were delighted to welcome the winners of this terms Student of the Term to Mr Dyke's office for a celebratory 'hot chocolate and cake with the Principal'. Teachers were asked to nominate students that had impressed them over the past few months, for reasons including their effort, achievements or contribution to College and the wider community. There were a large number of names put forward, demonstrating how many wonderful students that we have here at the College, and it made the Heads of Year decision very difficult indeed! After much consideration the students listed below were selected. We would like to congratulate all of those nominated and look forward to the final Student of the Year celebration towards the summer break. **Cloud 9.**

CLOUD 9

Year 7 Hattie Pollard

Year 8 Romy Richardson

Year 9 Jake Bennett

Year 10 Edie Olsson

Year 11 Finn Hilsdon and Jorgia Pickett

Year 12 Mia P

Year 13 Alfie H



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

Contact us via e-mail

thevoice@callingtoncc.net



Attendance Update 25.03.19

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

Year 7

7BWS

98.9%

Year 8

8BW

97.3%

Year 9

9HB

95.7%

Year 10

10MTM

97.6%

Year 11

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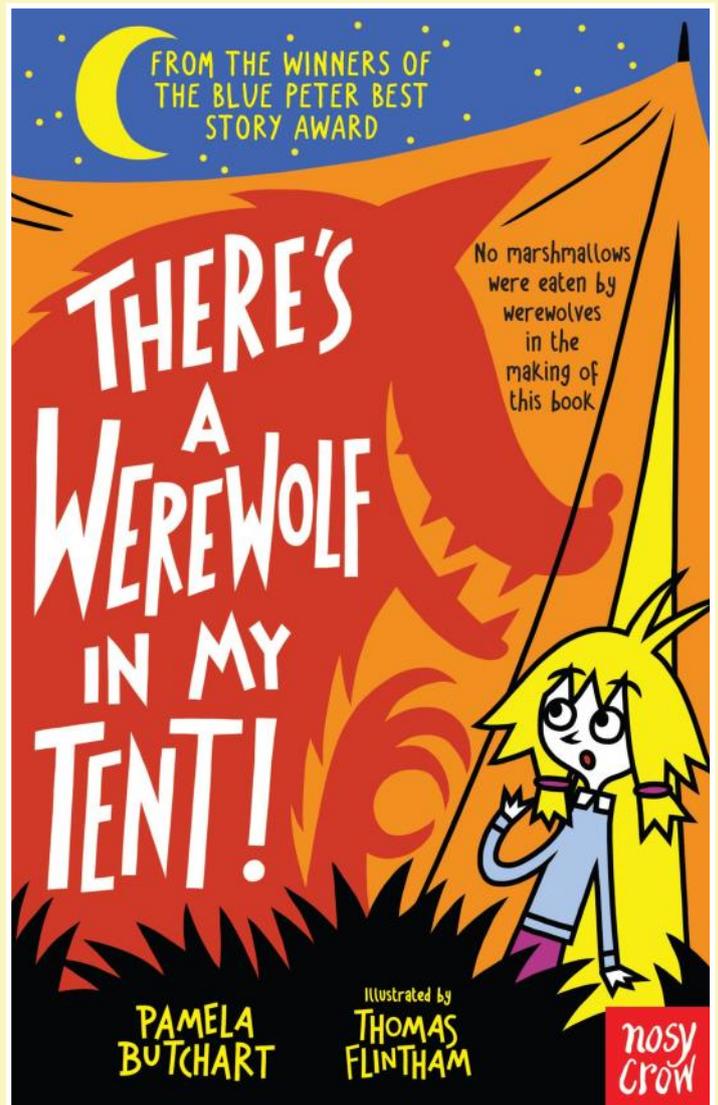
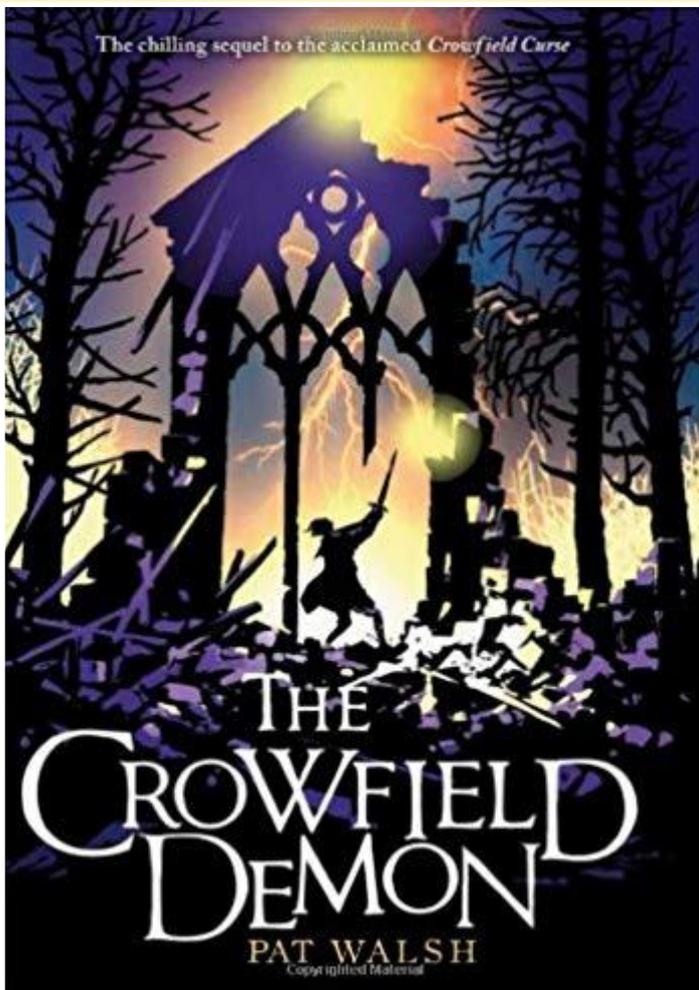
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Book Review

The Crowfield Demon by Pat Walsh.

My rating: 5 stars! This book is all about a boy called William who lives at an abbey (Crowfield Abbey). The abbey is next to a forest called Foxwist. In the forest live 'Fays' (magical creatures that only certain humans can see if they have 'the sight'). However something is disturbing the abbey - something evil. The abbey is falling apart. Can William and his humble 'Hob' (a Fay William found injured in Foxwist which is similar to a fox and it can talk) friend along with help from the monks from the abbey save Crowfield Abbey from the evil demon? Will Crowfield abbey be gone forever? This book is great for people who enjoy fantasy with a slight hint of horror. But also there is a book before The Crowfield Demon called 'The Crowfield Curse' however you do not have to read that book for the Crowfield Demon to make sense!

Millie Wilde Year 8



There's a Werewolf in my Tent by Pamela Butchart

'There's a Werewolf in my Tent' is an amazing book along with her other books: Baby Aliens Got My Teacher, The Spy Who Loved School Dinners, My Head Teacher Is a Vampire Rat and Attack Of The Demon Dinner Lady's along with others with her children's collection under 7.

It's another book about Izzy and her friends who are so excited about their school trip. They're going camping but then weird things start happening! There are weird noises in the night, and things have gone missing, and it's nearly a full moon.

I would say it's the best book ever because it's got comedy, excitement and a bit of romance. I would also give this book a five out of five rating because it is hilarious and is the best so go and read it and read her other books. **Ellie Pote Year 7**

Our students need you!

We are seeking to appoint Examination Invigilators who can support the College to ensure the fair and proper conduct of examinations in an environment that enables a student to perform at their best.

We are looking for enthusiastic individuals with good communication skills to join our team of Examination Invigilators on a casual basis to supervise students undertaking College examinations at various times during the academic year. Working hours are typically from 8:30am until 11:30am for morning sessions and 12:30pm until 3:30pm for afternoon sessions. Training will be provided.

Closing date: noon Wednesday 24 April. More information is available on the College website

www.callingtoncc.net

Do you know any family members who might be interested?



Reception Update

Visitors to site this week will have noticed the installation of our new intercom system. It is a new feature to help to support the provision of a safe working and learning environment for staff, students and visitors.

Should you need to visit the College in person, appointments should be made by agreeing a time with the relevant member of staff. Teaching staff are unlikely to be available to meet with a parent/carer who has not made an appointment.



Check out these pictures from our A Level students Luke Bunkum, Sophie Holmes and Harry Tredinnick in their A Level Drama exam piece, 'The Exam'.

You can't score a goal if you don't take a shot!

The Year 7 girls football team have had an unbelievable week! They played 2 games in 2 days, beating both opposition to advance to the County Cup Finals on Tuesday 23 April. This is the first time in recent memory that a girls football team from Callington have made it this far in the county competition. The girls played Bodmin on Tuesday on a poor quality grass pitch that felt like running in mud, slowing passes down and making the girls work very hard. They overcame this with quick, fluent team play that saw them easily carve through the Bodmin defence on numerous occasions. The defence were rock solid and Karlie had very little to do in the first half.

Elowen and Player of the Match Lauren worked tirelessly on the wings to create

space and opportunities for Emily and Jess in the middle. Erin O netted 7 times in a dominant display, with goals from Emily, Jess and Elowen bringing the score to 10-0. Wednesday saw them venture to Penrice, in cold and rainy conditions. This game was much closer and the girls battled hard to secure the victory. The back line of Amelie, Erin K and Jaden were under considerable pressure, but held

Penrice to 2 goals, whilst the forward line played their part with 3 for Callington. Player of the Match Jaden made tackle after tackle to thwart the attacking efforts of the Penrice girls. So after a busy week we are looking forward to joining the Year 7 boys team in our first County Final, hopeful of bringing a trophy back for the cabinet! Well done girls, and the very best of luck for the final.

The U14 girls side played their quarter-final match on Thursday against local rivals Saltash. The game was much more even than the previous encounter with

Brannel and the girls had to work hard to create the space for flowing passing. As their confidence grew, so did the number of attempts on goal. The Saltash keeper had a very impressive game, saving shot after shot as Callington created impressive opportunities for a number of the midfielders and forwards. After some slick 1-2s between Chantelle and Erin, Erin broke through to slot the ball neatly past the goalie and give us the lead. From here it looked like we would go on to add to the scoreline, but as so often happens in sport, the script didn't quite go to plan. Saltash equalised, before adding a second and suddenly it was Callington who were facing the defeat. The girls rallied strongly and chased every ball, challenged hard in every tackle and were rewarded with a second goal for Erin. As time ticked down we continued to push for the decisive goal, but with one minute to go a Saltash free kick was scuffed in to seal the defeat. The girls were bitterly disappointed after dominating the game, but the spirit that was shown and the determination that they demonstrated up until the final whistle was admirable.

Miss C Mitchell

