## The Callington Voice

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF CALLINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## I won't be a rock star. I will be a legend.

On Friday 14 June, the College were lucky enough to receive a visit from some alumni to work with the students. Among the alumni was Joff Oddie, lead guitarist for the award-winning band, Wolf Alice.

Joff was a student here between 2002 and 2008, and his band have gone on to receive several awards and nominations, including the Gold Disk that currently resides, at Joff's

wishes, in the College Main Reception. Joff studied RSL Music Level 2 at Callington Community College before moving to London in 2010, where he met Ellie Rowsell. Ellie and Joff formed an acoustic duo that later formed into the band, Wolf Alice.

During the alumni visit, our Year 10 guitarists and drummers were lucky enough to get to partake in an hour long workshop with Joff, where he taught them his band's 2014 single Moaning Lisa Smile, which in 2016 was nominated for the Grammy Award for Best

Rock Performance.

During the last hour of the day, Joff then delivered a presentation to approximately ninety music students, telling them about how he got to where he has and he showed them some videos from the early days of the band, where they were just breaking into the industry. The students then got to ask Joff questions about the industry and his journey, before getting him to autograph some guitars and take some



pictures. It was an excellent day which the students enjoyed immensely, and we'd like to thank Joff for taking time out of his day to work with our students and inspire their musical creativity.

Whilst he was with us, Joff signed vinyl of the band's Mercury Award-winning LP, Visions of a Life. This will be raffled to raise funds and provide equipment for the College Music Department and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme at Callington. The money raised from this raffle will benefit these groups of students by supplying them with equipment, and resources that are key to giving them a wide range of opportunities. Tickets are 50p and

opportunities. Tickets a can be purchased via school gateway or from the Finance Office. The draw will be held on Thursday 18 July. **Mr T Crago** 

#### Interview with a Rock Star!

Who are you and what do you do now? I'm Joff and I am in a band called Wolf Alice.

What qualifications did you get here... and afterwards? I got 2 As and 5 Bs in GCSE and then it went all downhill and I got 2 Cs and a U at A Level.

Can you tell us about the choices you have made here and then afterwards? Yeah, I decided to go to Plymouth and do some stuff before taking a Uturn and deciding to do a teacher training degree... now I'm actually in Uni for Politics.

Normally at work right now, what would you be doing? Well currently as a band we are producing a new album so we are focusing on music.. so we would be jamming out to some songs and gaining inspiration.

What skills have you learnt from doing your job? Teamwork skills, as well as being in charge of your own things by being the boss.. you also get to manage people.

Have you noticed any changes at Callington Community College? The change in uniform and where the Sixth Form is.

**Can you tell us about any of your teachers at the time?** I just remember Ms Wilson getting hit in the face with a rugby ball.

What advice would you give your 14 year old self? **ROCK'N'ROL** Be nice.

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

Contact us via e-mail



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

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7LS	8BW	9LH	10AXJ	11ABW
99.1%	99.3%	98.6%	98%	100%

## The Minnack Theatre - more than just a stage!

On Thursday 20 June Year 10 Drama students plus four members of staff, went to the Minack Theatre to see Illyria perform Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves. Despite leaving Callington in the rain we arrived at the Minack in blistering sunshine and had a wonderful afternoon of theatre. The trip was part of the GCSE Drama course; students must see live theatre and be able to **analyse** (word of the week!) the performance.

As always our students were impeccably behaved. As my final school trip at Callington it was definitely one to remember. Thank you all. **Ms A Wilson** 





## CALLINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE YEAR 5 OPEN MORNING 1 & 3 JULY 2019

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#### **OPEN MORNING**

Monday 1 July Wednesday 3 July 9am - 10.30am

Launceston Road, Callington PL17 7DR Tel: 01579 383292

## **Health Related Behaviour Surveys**

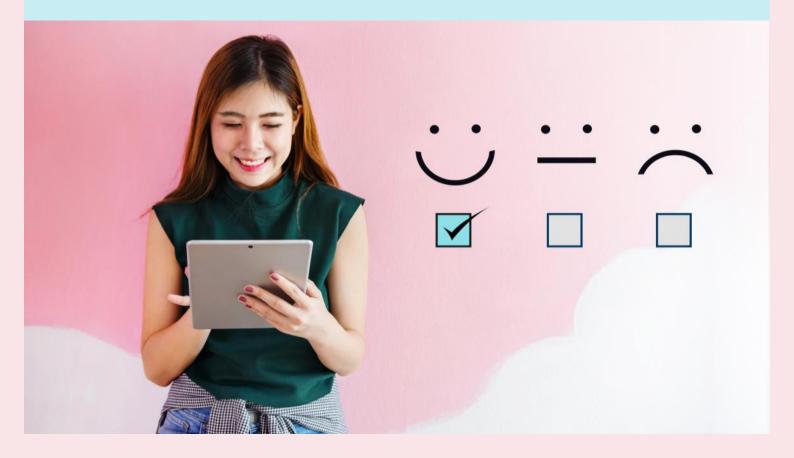
Callington Community College, along with several schools in Cornwall, is supporting the work of the Local Authority Children's Services and Public Health by asking our Year 8 and Year 10 students to participate in a very important Health Behaviour Survey. The survey will provide us with very valuable information on the health and behaviours of our students.

The survey data gathered will help guide the review of our health and relationships curriculum and can also be used in a variety of other ways including: As a starting point for discussion in classroom activities: As a guide in the choice of resources: As a prompt for appropriate timing of courses: As a beginning for further enquiry to strengthen existing programmes, e.g. in PSHE and PE and as a starting point for discussions between parents and schools.

The survey method that we are using has been developed by the Schools Health Education Unit, Exeter and has been in use now for over 30 years. Over 3000 schools have used the survey, many of them regularly repeating the survey. The questions concern a wide range of health behaviours, for example: Home and Family, Relationships, Emotional Health and Well-being, Tobacco, Alcohol, Leisure and Money, Healthy Eating, Exercise, Drugs and Sexual Health. The Children's Services and Public Health will also have a reliable database upon which it can objectively plan health care provision for young people. Links between the College and the Local Authority can be strengthened.

Both the Local Authority and the College find the content of the questionnaire acceptable; it has been customised to suit our local setting. Each questionnaire is anonymous and confidential, and no student will be identified when the data is returned to the school. The Local Authority will receive only the summary of all schools in which individual schools are not identified. Data Protection concerns are covered in the Privacy Notice for students. We hope you will agree with us that this is an exercise in which we wish to co-operate fully. Approval will be assumed. Mr E Davis holds a copy of the questionnaire, and if you would like to examine it, you are welcome to do so by appointment. As part of the survey it will be helpful if students provide their postcodes (this will be used only for drawing maps of results in the area; individual houses will not be identified).

The survey will be carried out by students in Year 8 and Year 10 during PSHE lessons between 24 June and 5 July. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mr E Davis by email edavis@callingtoncc.net.



## Music is the voice of the soul!

On Saturday, the students from the College Soul Band once again proved why they are a leading ensemble for the College. Five members of the band, accompanied by Mr Lane on Keys, Mr Procter on Drums and Mr Crago on Trumpet, supplied two hours of entertainment for Callington Primary Schools Summer Fete.

The band, made up of Year 11 students Aaron Chinn, Joe Hartill, Eva Pascoe and Daisy Mays and year 9 student Josie Mays, delivered 5 band sets and a couple of solo sets across the time period. Working

their way through Soul hits such as Feel Good (I Got You) by James Brown and Superstition by Stevie Wonder, the Soul Band went down a treat. Proving their versatility, they then morphed into a small version of the College Friday (Concert) Band, playing fun tunes such as Shut Up and Dance With Me and Gimme Some Lovin'. To complete the acts, Aaron, Eva and Daisy all delivered some superb solo songs to keep the positive atmosphere of the Fete running. Headteacher of Callington Primary School, Mr Shirley, said:

A massive thank you to you and your students for making our Summer Fair very special. I really appreciate the work you all put in and to play for a full two hours made a huge difference and kept people at the fair for longer than usual. Lots of parents and members of staff remarked on the high quality of the performances too it really did add something to the day.

The Soul Band was only formed at the beginning of this year, and have fast become one of the most requested ensembles we've ever had. A huge thank you to the students that gave up 4 hours of their Saturday to play at this event!

The Soul Band will be performing next in the annual Summer Concert on Thursday 4 July - Watch this space in the next week to find out how to buy tickets! **Mr T Crago** 



## A Bass-ic Team Project!

The Music Department would like to show you their 'new' Bass Guitar. Some of you may recognise this Bass Guitar in its former pearlescent blue colour, but since then it's been through a massive makeover. Year 13 student, Harvey James, started on this project back at the beginning of the year with the aim of making the chipped blue coloured bass a more performance worthy instrument, and it quickly became a 'department project.' Harvey has detailed his process below:



Originally it was pearlescent blue, over the years it had decayed dramatically and the paint was peeling off etc. I soaked all the rusted metal parts in cola for 24 hours which cleaned them up nicely!

Then I used a heat gun from the Technology Department to remove as much of the blue plastic paint as possible from the neck and body and vigorously sanded the whole guitar with 200, 400 and

1000 grain sand paper to make it ultra -smooth, with the bumps and slight indents adding character and giving the effect of a 'Burch Burl' wood type.

Then I cleaned up the years' worth of gunk on the neck and applied a coat of boiled linseed oil to the fretboard, using masking tape when staining the neck 3 times to get a clean line where the rosewood joins the neck. I continued to stain the back of the guitar waiting 24 hours in between coats until I reached the desired colour. I then drew up a rudimentary diagram of where the pickups needed soldering which Mr Procter completed in school alongside Mr Crago sanding the neck to the preferred satin finish and applying one more coat of boiled linseed oil to finish it up nicely! I'm

## The best things in life are old, loved and rescued

really pleased to have worked on this project in my spare time, as it's given me a sense of fulfilment knowing that many future year groups will appreciate using it after I've left the College.

After completing the work on the Bass guitar, Mr Procter soldered the pickups into the guitar, whilst Mr Crago helped to recolour and smooth the neck. Year 11 student Joe Hartill then put strings on and tuned and tested the bass to make sure it is all in working order.

The Bass guitar is now back in circulation in the Music Department for students to practice and perform on, and we would like to thank Harvey for all the hard work and effort he put into this project. **Mr T Crago** 





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NEEDS

#### Are you ready for the Word of the Week?

We have launched a whole school Word of the Week initiative to support students develop their vocabulary. Students will be introduced to the Word of the Week during one tutor time lesson each week. We will practise using the word and encourage students to use the featured words in their daily vocabulary.

Students will have the opportunity to earn achievement points by using the Word of the Week appropriately.

We're focusing on academic words that are used in all curriculum areas. All of the words will be taken from the Academic Word List (for further details go online: http://www.uefap.com/vocab/select/awl.htm). Our aim is to help students approach and understand academic material in all subjects with more confidence. Research tells us that vocabulary skills are strong indicators of academic success and that having a wide vocabulary empowers children and adults to participate confidently and meaningfully in the world around them.

Parents are encouraged to use the words too and to continue encouraging a love of reading in the home: reading and a wide vocabulary sit alongside one another! The Word of the Week will be published in The Callington Voice each week.

Please have fun with our Word of the Week!

For more information, please contact Miss L Pollard.

## Facilitate

-fac- is a Latin root word meaning 'do' or 'make'.

Definition: make (an action or process) easy or easier.

**Synonyms**: make easy, make possible, clear the way for, help, co-operate

## GCSE and A level Art and Photography Exhibition

#### V E N U E:

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## Win a signed Wolf Alice LP!



Ex-Callington Community College student, Joff Oddie, has kindly signed his Mercury Music Prize winning vinyl LP "Visions of a Life".

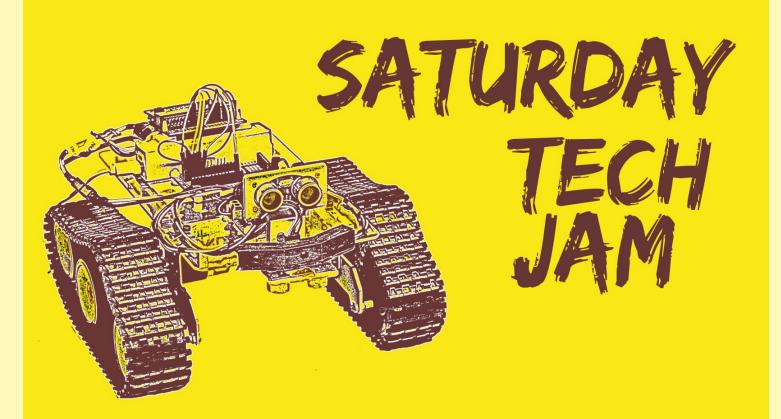
You could win this amazing prize in a raffle to raise funds to provide equipment for the Music Department and for D of E.

Tickets are 50p each and can be purchased through School Gateway or from the Finance Office. The draw will be held on Thursday 18 July.

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