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Students enjoy British Science Week...

Students from Callington Community College have this week been celebrating British Science Week (9-18 March).

experiences. It is also a chance for students to consider how journeys can help us



"British Science Week, run by the British Science Association is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths, featuring entertaining and engaging events and activities across the UK for people of all ages.

The theme for 2019 British Science Week is 'journeys', encouraging students to think about the different scientific journeys that happen every day and how they can discover science through their own lives and

experience more of the world around us.

Science

it's like MAGIC but

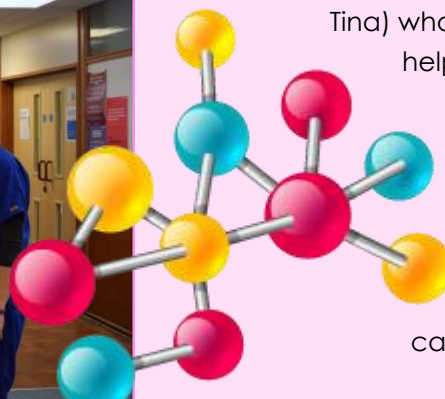
real

From a shocking start at the beginning of the week featuring Mr Smith and the Van de Graaff, Mr Baker's Marvellous Metals wowed us as he took us through the journey of an electron, then to something completely different...a journey through custard with Dr Turner (do try at home!).



We have had two or three events everyday giving our students fun, excitement and hopefully a life-long love of Science. A special thanks to the amazing Science Technicians (Sue, Gayle and Tina) who have worked like Trojans to help prepare all the equipment (and custard!), to all the wonderful Science teachers who willingly took part and finally to our curious students who came and enjoyed.

Mrs Frost

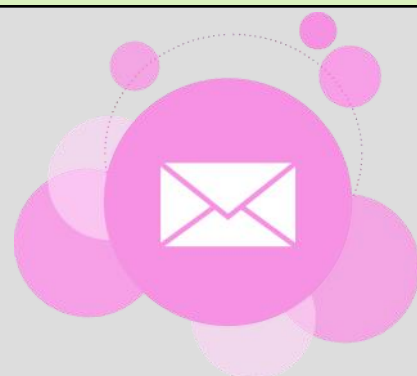




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Strong people don't put others down.

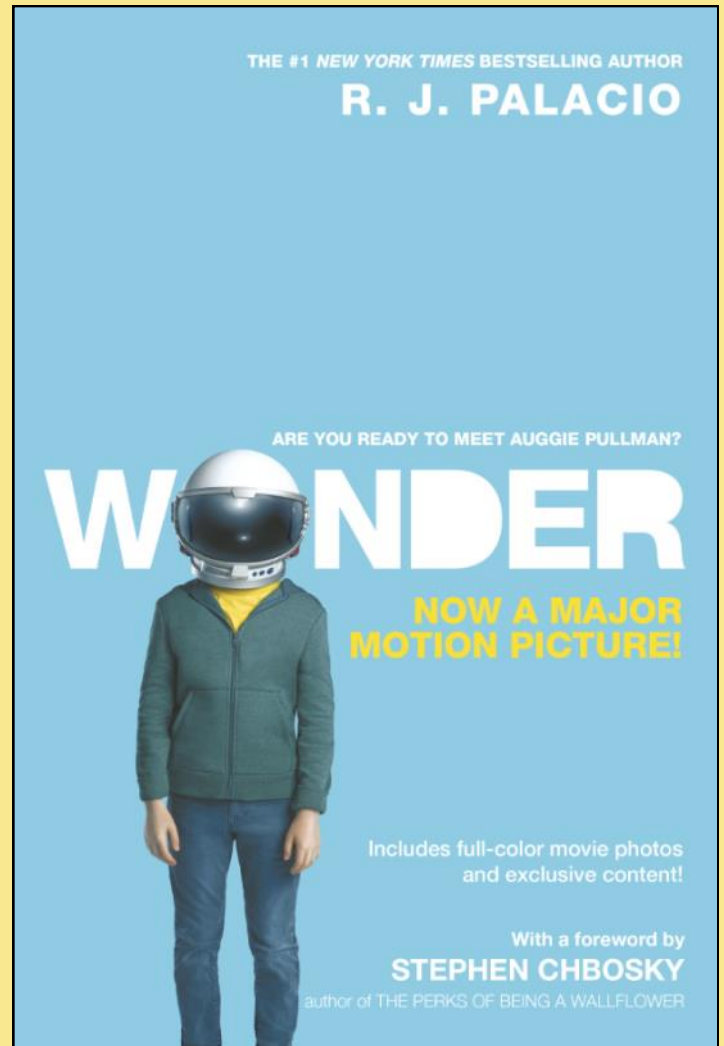
They lift them up.

Wonder is a *wonderful* book written by the author Palacio (who I can confirm is a woman) made to pull on the reader's (my) heart strings and make you empathise with the characters particularly August Pullman, Auggie - the main character. This heart-warming story is based around August Pullman, a boy with Treacher Collins syndrome, which is also known as craniofacial disorder which makes Auggie look different to "normal" kids.

The main theme of the story is Auggie's first year at school where he is faced with many challenges including: being seen as an outcast, battling with becoming more independent and he is also subject to bullying from the "cool kids" - led by Julian. Julian acted very selfishly towards Auggie and not only did he leave threats and rude notes in August's locker, he also made up a game with one simple but heart breaking rule that..... If you touched Auggie you had "the plague" unless you could get to the toilet and wash your hands within the next few minutes. This meant that Auggie was treated worse than ever before and the reader was made to feel love and sympathy for Auggie but also hatred for Julian.

Although throughout all the drama Auggie's friends Jack and Summer never left his side until... HALLOWEEN. August was ecstatic at Halloween but when he arrived at school he heard, who he thought was his closest friend, Jack saying, "I would rather die than have a face like August Pullman."

And so the year went on and Jack and Auggie made up. The whole 5th grade and Beecher Prep (Auggie's school) went camping bar Julian, who said it was lame, and Auggie and Jack were going for a wee in



the woods when some 7th graders found them and started picking on Auggie for his face and tried to beat him up. But then, out of the blue, a boy called Amos came to their rescue and they became great friends.

Just to top of the story there was an awards ceremony and Auggie won a medal for bravery and "lifting the most hearts". This book is a great piece of literature that I highly recommend to anyone from 8 to 12 years old. Thank you for reading my book review.

Matthew Xavier Early (Year 7)

You can't blend in when you were born to stand out

Primary Schools Sports Partnership

This week saw us host the first of six primary school qualifiers as part of the Primary Schools Sports Partnership. Several schools from our catchment area came to the College for a fantastic day of fun and competitive indoor athletics events.

A huge thank you and well done to our sports leaders from Year 9 and 10 who yet again rose to the occasion and led each activity so well. The English school athletics coordinator commenting on how well they had done.

With the scores close going into the relays it was Calstock Primary who came out victorious and progress on to the Cornwall School Games representing the Callington Cluster Schools.

A massive well done to them and a great day all round. Watch out for the next one in the coming weeks.

Mr M Piper



Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life

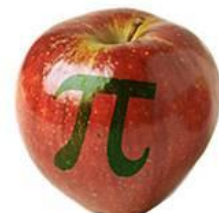
A selected group of Year 9 students participated in a terrific workshop based on their skills and strengths. The workshop run by Lucy Wooldridge from Future First featured Terry Dooley from The Cornish Bakery and Ben the Assistant Manager of Tesco in Callington. Terry is working with the College a great deal at the moment and we hope to develop his involvement in curriculum time. The workshop began with a focus on the food industry but moved on to consider the student's strengths and weaknesses with a focus on the world of work.

The workshop was part of a series of career focussed sessions across the College. Year 7 and 8 watched a film about the construction industry: students were asked to consider all the jobs associated with the building industry. Year 10 considered their work experience options while the Sixth Form's focus was on the differences between post 18 apprenticeships and university life. **Mr J Plunkett**



Happy Pi Day! (3/14 - American date)

To celebrate such an awesome day Miss Pocula gathered some Pi Dingbats and challenged colleagues to respond with the correct answers



Exciting times are ahead in the Drama Department. Not only are we about to launch into practical examinations at GCSE, AS and A Level but we also have a couple of very exciting national events approaching.

The GCSE Year 11 Drama students have their practical exams on 28 March when they will perform extracts from a number of plays ('Blue Remembered Hills', 'Too Fast' and 'The Woman Who Cooked Her Husband') to a visiting examiner.

The AS Level Year 12 group are busy working on their interpretation of an extract from 'Girls Like That' and monologues taken from 'The Skriker' and 'DNA'.

The Year 13 A Level group are being directed by Mr Plunkett and Ms Wilson in the Andy Hamilton comedy 'The Exam'; this is a real contrast to the three monologues they have chosen taken from hard hitting pieces, 'The Women of Troy', 'Road' and 'A State Affair'. This will also be marked by a visiting examiner.

On 30 March the College is hosting auditions for The National Youth Theatre of Great Britain. The company, which boasts alumni as varied as Benedict Cumberbatch, Helen Mirren, Daniel Craig and our very own Jonathon Plunkett, is an opportunity for students to experience performing in London and beyond. Over fifteen of our students have applied this year.

Our other national initiative is our annual involvement with The National Theatre's Connections project. Each

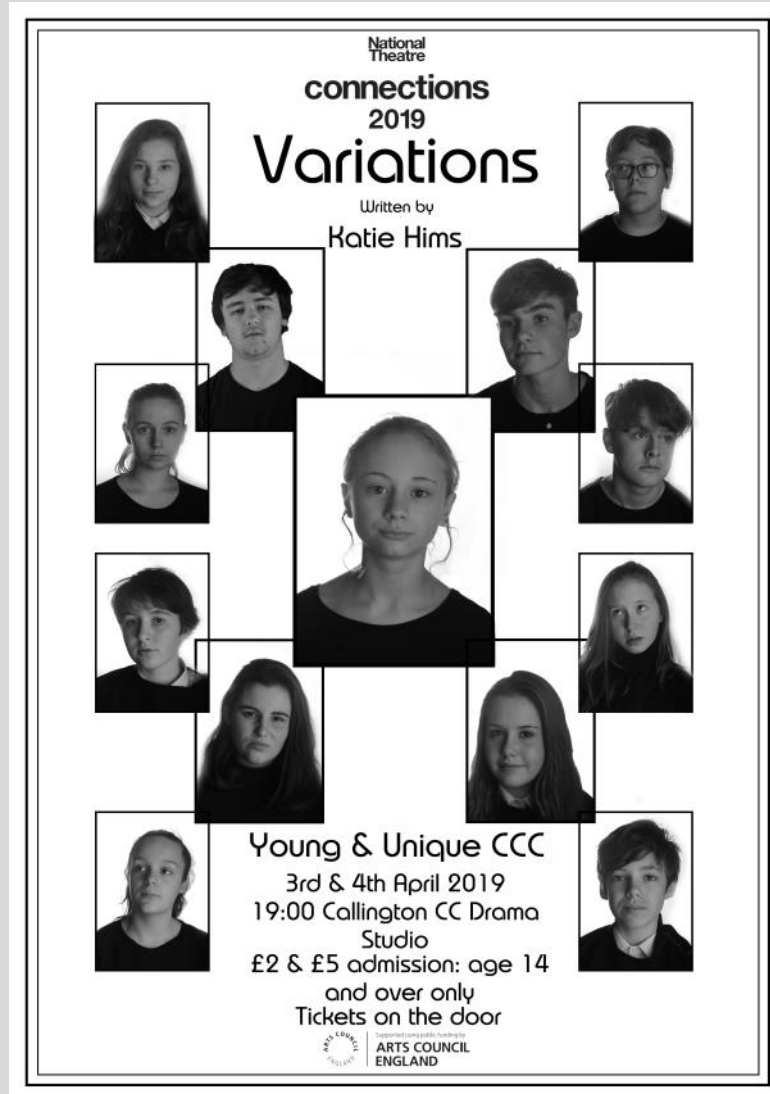
year The National Theatre commission leading playwrights to write plays for young people. The process began last summer when Mr Plunkett chose this year's play, 'Variations'. In October he spent the weekend at The National in London working with directors and the writer.

Since then the cast have been working very hard under Mr Plunkett's direction aided by Ms Wilson and a professional theatre designer, Bex Perkins.

The show tells the story of Alice a normal 13 year girl with two annoying brothers...or rather two brothers in this dimensional existence. When the postman calls with a parcel it all changes and Alice finds herself hurled into a number of alternative realities; new sisters, one reality where she is a boy and one where she travels back to 1983 to become her own mother. Featuring some strong language and far more playing of Haircut 100s 'Love Plus One' than is healthy, the show will be performed at the Drama Studio on Wednesday 3 April and Thursday 4 April at 7pm.

This is a public performance but we are limiting the audience to over 14 because of some bad language. The performance on the Wednesday night will be attended by a director from The National and a representative from Theatre Royal Plymouth. On 10 May the show will transfer to Plymouth Theatre Royal and, if we are selected from the 300 companies around the country participating, to The National in London.

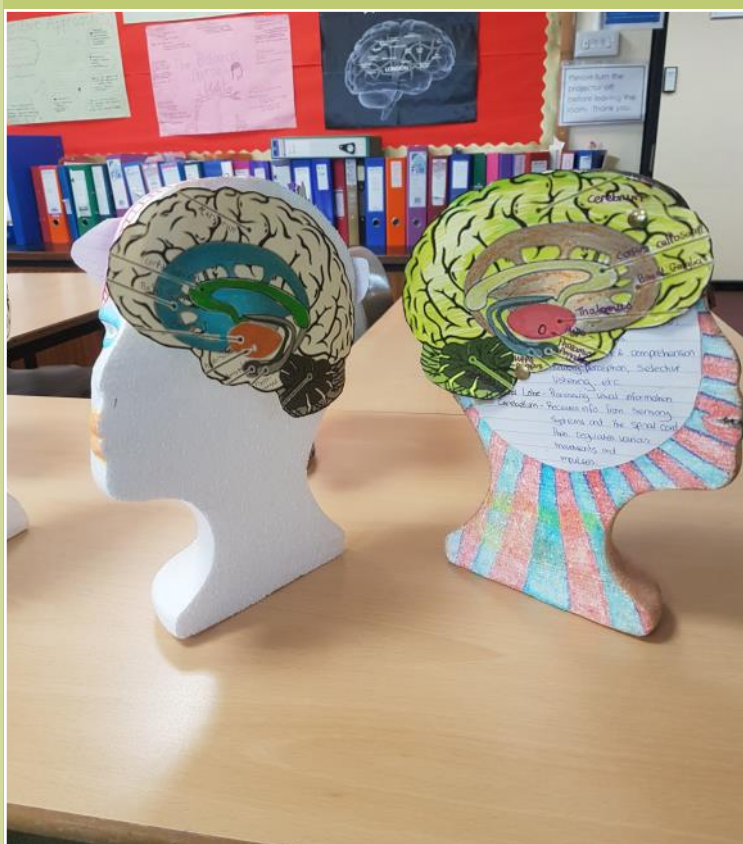
Please come and support our students either here at the College or in Plymouth (tickets are on sale from The Theatre Royal box office already).



Psychology Heads!

A creative way of revising areas of the brain for localisation and functions.

Students have been exploring plasticity and functional recovery post trauma as well as studying split brain research and hemispheric lateralisation. All have assisted them when looking at different ways to investigate the brain. Huge thanks to Mr Carson who neatly sliced the heads in half for us." **Mrs P Jones (Psychology)**



Children must be taught how to think, not what to think

Attendance Update 04.03.19

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

Year 7

7SFV

98.6%

Year 8

8SC

98.3%

Year 9

9RD

98.1%

Year 10

10SO

99.2%

Year 11

11AL

97.9%

Safeguarding Update

During this week's Tutor Time, all students at Callington Community College have been learning about County Lines as part of our relentless focus to safeguard our students by making them fully aware of the risks associated with this topic. This form of child criminal exploitation is believed by the NCA (National Crime Agency) to be prevalent in most forces across the UK and sees children from a range of backgrounds, (some as young as 10), targeted and groomed by gangs to transport drugs to rural areas. In the session, students explored case studies that uncovered the grooming process and the strategies criminal gangs use to recruit children as drugs runners. Students also had the opportunity through a variety of learning activities, to develop an awareness of signs that might indicate someone they know is involved or at risk.



On Monday evening teachers attended a training session led by Devon and Cornwall Police that provided a highly informative insight into how county lines, child sexual exploitation and trafficking are interlinked. The training also included a session on identifying the possible tell tale signs that a young person may be at risk as well as the opportunity to hear about the work that Devon and Cornwall Police have undertaken to keep children safe.



As parents/carers, I am conscious that you too may wish to learn more about these topics so that you have an understanding of these issues. We are very fortunate that Devon and Cornwall Police have offered to present an information evening at the College for parents and carers in order to raise awareness and answer any questions that you may have. If you would like to attend such an event and are interested in learning more then please contact a member of the College Safeguarding Team.



Mrs P Mathieson

A star is born!

Huge congratulations to Maya K C Cotton 11MAH who has successfully auditioned for the British Youth Music Theatre. Out of 2000 applicants this year only 300 were selected, Maya being one of them!

British Youth Music Theatre is a national performing arts company that specialises in creating brand new music theatre, working across the UK and Ireland with leading industry professionals to offer unique opportunities and high quality training to young singers, actors, dancers and musicians as well as emerging artists and stage technicians.

Since 2003 BYMT have trained over 8,000 young people, many of whom have successfully entered the creative industries such as Ed Sheeran, Sam Smith, Lauren Samuels, Charlotte Ritchie, Jack Bence, Lucy Griffiths and many more.

Maya has been offered a part in Peter Pan at Margate Theatre Royal. Who knows what the future may hold in store for Maya! **Mr A Lane**

**BRITISH
YOUTH
MUSIC
THEATRE**

“What if I fall?”
Oh, but my darling
What if you fly?



What's On?

Monday	Junior Football Coaching (4-6 & 7-9 years)	4pm – 4.50pm 5pm – 5.50pm
	East Cornwall Football Development Centre	5pm - 6pm
	Zumba	7pm - 8pm
	Circuits	7pm - 8pm
Tuesday	Untold Dance	5pm - 7pm
Wednesday	Kettlercise	6pm - 7pm
	Callington New Wave Taekwondo	6pm - 7pm
	Callington Adult Netball League	7pm - 9pm
	Zumba	7pm - 8pm
Thursday	Callington Junior Netball Club	6pm - 7pm
	Cardio Core	6pm - 6.45pm
	Yoga Fitness	6.45pm - 7.30pm
	Boots & Balls Football League	7pm - 9.30pm
	Bujinkai Karate	7.30pm - 9pm
Friday	Callington New Wave Taekwondo	5pm - 7pm
	Kettlercise	6pm - 7pm
	Callington Badminton Club	7pm - 10pm
Saturday	Bouncy Castle and soft play hire	10am – 12noon 12.30pm – 2.30pm