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#### OFFICIAL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF CALLINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## **Hello Yellow!**

This week saw students participate in World Mental Health Week with World Mental Health Day falling on Wednesday 10 October. To raise awareness of the importance of mental well -being, staff and students worked together on a range of activities and fundraising events linked to the charity Young Minds #helloyellow campaign. A dedicated team of creative volunteers made banners with inspirational messages and over the week, all students got a chance to add their own messages through our bunting making. With a corridor competition which made things exciting, we have most certainly helped the Young Minds charity we are supporting to beat last year's 10,000 mental health messages, drawings and inspirational quotes which they accumulated on bunting last year. On Wednesday, students embellished their uniforms with yellow socks, wrist bands and headwear. Our Head Boy and Head Girl, along with all the prefects, became yellow in order to raise funds and many students donated to the cause. A Just Giving page has also been set up so if family



and neighbours would like to contribute through this online route they can (www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ callingtonyouth). The week will also saw the opening of The Chill Zone, a quiet area that students can come to at Break 2 to read, revise, play quiet games and get involved in wellbeing activities such as mindfulness. This was a great week which aimed to help ensure that everyone feels they are appreciated and have a place within our caring school community. **Mrs S Olsson** 



















After!

## Mr Aird before the leg wax

## build on your strengths broaden your horizons

Thursday 22 November 6pm - 8pm

Callington Community College



# SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

## Joshua's Story

Joshua James Biddle (Mr Biddle's son) was born premature – 8 weeks. He had oxygen starvation to the brain which caused him to be born with cerebral palsy. Cerebral



palsy impacts the way his brain communicates with his legs and arms. It stops messages from getting through properly which overly tightens his muscles, making it nearly impossible for him to walk. Joshua couldn't even crawl as a 1 year old – lots of children are walking by that age. Joshua was selected for spinal surgery at



Bristol Children's Hospital in Sept 2015. They removed part of the nervous system in his spinal column. This stopped the bad signals from his brain getting through. He was in hospital for 6 weeks and it took him a whole week just to have the strength to sit up in bed. He had to be moved around in an upright position and needed support to do anything as his body had no strength.

Since his surgery, Joshua now goes swimming, rides a bike, walks with his tripods and sometimes with none at all. He



is making friends, loves going to school, is near the top of his class for r e a d i n g , is amazing at puzzles and loves singing. When he grows up his ambition is to be a singing guitar player – like his Daddy. He tries to have a go at anything, whether it is climbing on our boulder wall at home, cooking cakes, washing the car with me or even mowing the lawn! He is a happy child. He knows he is loved.

Recently he has decided to attempt at 3km walk and raise money for children in need. His challenge is known as the Countryfile Ramble. Joshua's determination to succeed in all areas of his life have inspired many others and he is currently the top fundraiser for the ramble in the country. His determination to

great overcome difficulty has inspired many, especially me. Whatever the hurdle, we can overcome it. Until now, Joshua hasn't managed more than 1 km, so the 3km may take us a



while! If you would like to support **Children in Need** and sponsor my son, please visit the link below. He is currently at £1080 pounds! Keep an eye out on Spotlight in the coming weeks for a TV appearance too! **Mr H Biddle** 



#### **SPOT THE FISH!**

Can you spot the fish that you made in the Art Department at our recent Open Evening? We are really enjoying the lovely display.



#### **Rowing Champions**

Year 11 students (L—R) Ruby R, Rebekah Bradley, Emma Maunder & Heather Milne are U16s and U18s Girls Four Oar Cornish Rowing Champions. The girls also placed in other races for example - Rebekah won the U16s and U18s championships for pair of paddles (rowing on your own), Emma came 3rd. Ruby took part in the Ladies four oar and came 3rd in the championship.

Well done ladies!

#### **Great Potential!**

This week saw the U15 girls football team launch their bid for Cup glory. They travelled away to Launceston College to play their first game as a team together this season. The girls were a mixture of Year 9 and 10 students, with a number of them playing regularly for local club sides. The game was very balanced, with both sides executing effective passages of attacking play and making the goalkeepers make good saves. Launceston broke the deadlock mid-way through the first half and added a quick second before Maisie G scored a great goal. Launceston added one more before half time but Callington went in feeling that they should have been level-pegging. The second half saw both teams pushing up and adding increasing pressure on each others' back lines. Angharad B was bossing the midfield and Launceston couldn't contain her as she took on players and made incisive passes to our forwards. This pressure was converted by Millie H to draw the scores closer, before Launceston grabbed a late goal against the run of play to claim the win, 4-2. This was a great first outing for our U15 team and they showed incredible potential to build together into a formidable outfit. Further tournaments and games to come! Miss C Mitchell

#### Year 8 County Rugby Festival

The Year 8 Rugby boys travelled to Penrice school for this years County Championships. With 8 of the starting 13 playing in their first ever competitive tournament it was always going to be a tough ask to win it. The boys played with fantastic heart and determination, excelling in many games before tiring towards the end of the day. The teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline and sportsmanship was evident with the boys throughout the day and the boys came away looking forward to their next game after half term. Well done lads! **Mr M Piper** 



## Save the Date!

June Ball (Year 11) Friday 21 June 2019

### **Music Graded Exams**

Well done and congratulations to Josh Radford for passing Grade 2 Drum Kit.



## FIRST WORLD WAR CENTENARY COMMEMORATION TEA DANCE AND WW1 'SING-A-LONG'

CALLINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MAIN HALL 2-4pm

SATURDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

FREE ENTRY WITH DONATIONS FOR THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

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#### More Cup success for U13 girls football!

On Thursday 11th October the U13 girls football squad set off to face their second round opponents, Penryn College. The journey felt like it took half a day but the girls emerged from the minibus bright-eyed and raring to go! The game was a very even affair with some strong individual talent on both sides, complemented by great passages of passing and moving. Karlie made some great saves at the defensive end, whilst we continued to put pressure on their keeper. The deadlock was broken in the second half by a fantastic topcorner strike from Chantelle, and Callington looked to be in control. Late on in the half, however, Penryn grabbed an equaliser to send the game to penalties - the second time in two games that Callington have had to end a match in this way! With Mackenzie now in goal our five penalty takers waited nervously for their turn. 4 of the 5 shots were scored and we went into the last penalty for Penryn needing to be scored for it to go to sudden death. In a nail-biting finale Mackenzie made a fantastic save to clinch the victory and send Callington through to the next round. Well done girls, an amazing team effort! **Miss C Mitchell** 

## Work Experience Launch

We have recently launched the Year 10 and Year 12 Work experience. Our aim is that every student in the two year groups has a real and worthwhile experience of the world of work by seeing first-hand, all aspects of employment and business operations, how the work place is run and experiencing a different structure to their working day to the one that they are familiar with at College. Each student in the two year groups has a personalised pack to take home, with lots of information explaining the process.

Students at placements last year were visited by staff to ensure all is running smoothly from a student and employers perspective. Both current Year 11 and 12's have said that it was a valuable experience. Students have felt inspired and have grown in confidence, as well as the experience helping them decide on future career paths and further education routes. There have even been some offers of apprenticeships, further voluntary work/work experience and part time employment.

Students will need to act fast as popular places fill quickly: 231 Callington Community College students are searching for placements along with other local schools that have Work Experience the same week as us. If you require help or more information please contact:

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