

Scott Medical & Healthcare College Newsletter



December 2022



Dear Parents/Carers,

The Christmas term has been filled with learning-enhancing activities almost daily.

Students have had a wide range of talks and workshops from external partners, from Physiotherapy to Dementia Awareness Training. We thank all the guest speakers for

coming in to give our students these invaluable opportunities.

We've had multiple careers events including the wonderful working dog, Millie with the Army Medical Corp, which proved very popular with the students!

It was also lovely to see students partaking in DofE trips to Mount Edgumbe and the Year 13 Residential to Pembrokeshire.

We look forward to more fantastic events happening in the New Year.

Best wishes,

Anita Frier, Headteacher

Christmas at Scott College

Our Scott Christmas Tree has been decorated with birds created by our students. We think they look wonderful!



OUR POET LAURETTE'S CHRISTMAS POEM

Christmas at Scott College
Is our favourite time of year,
One where we come together
And spread the festive cheer.

We may be a small community
But we care for all in need,
This season is the perfect time
To carry out good deeds.

Our Christmas tree reminds us
That despite the paths we take,
We should always come together
And cherish the friends we make.

Every colourful bird reflects
A pleasant memory, as well as
The challenges we've conquered
Displayed for all to see.

The bright blue lights symbolise
The different sparks in us,
That are not only nurtured by our families
But staff members of the trust.

So during this precious holiday
When you're having the rest you've earned,
Don't forget that we must continue
To learn to care and to care to learn.

Prisca

Fundraising for the Local Christmas Food Bank

Students helped to raise money for the Christmas Local Food Bank Appeal by running a number of activities.

Students organised a bake sale, and there was also a special 'Sponge the Teacher' event in which Miss Frier, along with Mr Harris and Mrs Gill, volunteered to endure 30 minutes of getting sponged by the students on one of the coldest days of the winter so far!



Student Council update

The Student Council year groups met once again this term to discuss all areas of school life.

Students discussed results of a survey many had completed to find out more information on safety, with the consensus being that students felt safe in school and received additional learning about how to keep themselves safe outside of school.

They then had a chance to share ideas of how to improve aspects across the campus. The points raised were really constructive and there were some great ideas to help to improve certain aspects. The leadership team have been able to implement some changes and look into others over coming weeks.

What we've done

- Scott College Sixth Form students have had a purpose built cafe/ study zone created, where they are able to study more informally and have their own space.
- Sixth form structured independent study lessons
- New big screen in the Scott Suite for key messages
- New wall murals which students have helped design, to help with the aesthetics of the building
- Paper copy of revision guides for all Year 11

Any students wishing to contribute can do so via their tutor council books or speaking directly to their representatives.



Year 12 attend Winter Conference

Year 12 students visited Plymouth University to take part in their Winter Conference.

The day included a tour of Plymouth University, a talk about life at university, and an amazing lecture delivered by the Environmental Sciences department.

The day was hugely informative and gave many of our students an introduction to what university can provide for them.

Remembrance Day 2022

To mark Remembrance Day this year, our students have worked hard to show their appreciation to all those who served in WW1.

At 10.55am all lessons finished and a special Remembrance poem, created by our Poet Laureate, Prisca, was read out in a special recording for all students to hear. At 11am, all students observed a 2-minute silence whilst a remembrance presentation was shown on screens within classrooms.

Students who are members of the CCF, RAF, Scouts, Army Cadets and Sea Cadets all came together in their uniforms to perform a beautiful remembrance parade.

This has been a fantastic opportunity for all of our students to commemorate an important event and get involved with and witness such an important and pivotal part of History.

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Students visited by the Army Medical Corps and Millie, the working dog!

This term, we were joined by representatives from the Army Medical Corp with a special guest appearance from Millie, a retired army working dog.

The Army Medical Corp spent time with our BTEC Health and Social Care Students in year's 11, 12 and 13, where they listened to a presentation on medical careers within the Army and an explanation on how to apply.

The students got to spend time with Millie and her dog handler, and learnt all about her career as well as what sorts of things she had to do. They also got to hear from Millie's Handler and what it's like to be a Dog Handler within the Army.

They also got to practise bandages and first aid, look at the equipment that army medics use and learn amazing facts about life within the Army Medical Corp.

It was a fantastic event and students were completely engrossed in the whole session. Thank you so much for coming in and giving our students an insight into different career paths, they loved every second, especially meeting Millie!



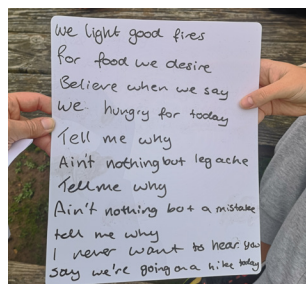
DofE trip to Mount Edgcumbe

Students from Scott and Stoke, joined together for their first Silver DofE practise day.

They took on the 5.7 mile walk as well as several challenges including 2 steep hills but were all smiling at the end!

The day also involved workshops to encourage pupils to work as a team and to focus on their expedition aims. Pupils enjoyed rock pooling, creating team songs (see photo of our best lyrics), sketching the beautiful views, photo challenges and many more.

Pupils demonstrated creativity, resilience, good humour and teamwork throughout. We look forward to more DofE workshops and our practise walks.



DIARY DATES

Wednesday 11th January
Year 11 and 13 Parents Evening

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 26th January
Sixth Form Open Evening

Wednesday 1st February
Year 9 Parents Evening & Options Evening

Tuesday 7th - Thursday 9th February
School Production of Annie



Year 13 BTEC students get upclose with real life kidneys

Our Year 13 BTEC students have been learning about the gross anatomy of the kidney; identifying the renal cortex, medulla, pelvis and renal calyces, by dissecting kidneys.

The students put hydrogen peroxide onto the kidney. An enzyme in the cells of the kidney called catalase breaks the hydrogen peroxide down into water and oxygen gas, which gets trapped in the tubules of the nephron (the part that filters the blood and produces urine). This makes them visible as the trapped gas makes them look white.

Students experiment with Beetroot!

This week, students have been investigating the effect of temperature on the permeability of beetroot cell membranes using a colorimeter.

Students were conducting an experiment to see if increasing the temperature of water, increased the permeability of the membrane. Higher temperatures should increase the permeability causing pigment to leak out into the water in the test tube. This means they can measure the concentration of pigment indirectly this using the colorimeter.

The students really enjoyed this experience and helps to put their theory into practice.



Physiotherapy talk with Plymouth University

For our curriculum collapse this week, Year 9,10 and Year 12 students welcomed Bradley Halliday, from the University of Plymouth to give a career talk on Physiotherapy.



He explained what a Physiotherapist does and talked about the day in the life of a Physiotherapist. He discussed how students can specialise in different areas of Physiotherapy and the range of careers, not only within the NHS, but within the private sector.

There was also an opportunity for students to take part in a physiotherapy assessment which proved quite competitive for the students! The students learnt a lot and has given them another career path to think about.

Outstanding Effort Awards



Congratulations to all our students who have been awarded a certificate for their continued commitment to their studies. Well done!

Oddballs Foundation Talk

Oddballs Foundation came in to see our sixth form student's cross campus this week. Students heard from Kitan, an Oddballs Ambassador, about the foundation and the importance of checking for testicular cancer.

We look forward to working with the Oddballs Foundation in the future!



Sixth form students receive Dementia Awareness Training

Today, our sixth form students had Dementia Awareness Training provided by Tammy Walker from AgeUK Plymouth.

The training utilises video contributions from people who have dementia from a range of different types, some who have been living with dementia for a number of years.

The students found this incredibly beneficial, quoting "It was eye-opening and informative", "It really changed my perspective on dementia and made me empathise more, being able to see what they go through"

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Sports science students complete Level 3 Activity First Aid qualification

Our Sport Science pupils have been completing their Level 3 Activity First Aid qualification this week.

It is specifically designed for those who are involved in any form of activity, including sports, leisure and recreation.

Pupils are now confident to lead CPR, bleeding control, head injuries, asthma and many more First Aid incidents. This qualification is an essential part in the preparation for their sports injury exam in January giving them vital knowledge and skills. The qualification is valid for 3 years which gives them a great addition to their CVs.



A trip of a lifetime for Sienna, who visited Massachusetts

Sienna, a Year 11 student had been given a once of a lifetime opportunity to go to Plymouth Massachusetts with the Legacy Choir.

"I had an amazing time and feel so lucky that I got this opportunity which I will remember forever. I would like to say a huge thank you to Scott college for their support in helping to make this amazing trip come true!"

Brain Tumour research centre visit

Matei, one of our Year 13 students, had an amazing opportunity to visit the Brain Tumour Research Centre of Excellence in Derriford, Plymouth.

Matei was given an extensive tour around the labs and was able to speak to Professors, researchers and PhD students about their work.



As Matei has aspirations to go into medicine, this visit showed him some of the potential research methods that could contribute to improving diagnosis and treatment options for brain tumours in the future.

Matei was only supposed to stay until 3pm but left at 6pm, as he found it so informative and fascinating!

A big thank you to Professor David Parkinson at the Brain Tumour Research Centre for facilitating his visit.

We are excited to showcase our

NEW 360 virtual tours

View them on our website under our Facilities page.

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Annie auditions

Our auditions are in full swing!

We are so excited about our first cross campus production. Both Stoke and Scott College students have come together with lots of friendships being established. Parts have been cast and students are well under way in learning their lines. They are working really hard, four days a week in rehearsal to make sure the production is the best it can be!

Tickets will go on sale at the end of January.

SAVE THE DATE: 7th - 9th February

SPRING CLUBS LIST

Our new spring clubs list is out!

[DOWNLOAD FROM OUR WEBSITE](#)

CLUBS

SPRING 2023

EVERYDAY	TUESDAY	TUESDAY - THURSDAY	THURSDAY
BEDROCK BREAKFAST What? Tues 7.30 - 8.30am When? Tues 7.30-8.30am BREAKFAST CLUB What? Tues 8.30-9.30am When? Tues 8.30-9.30am	PSYCHOLOGY REVISION What? Tues 1.15 - 2.15pm When? Tues 1.15-2.15pm HISTORY AMBASSADORS What? Tues 2.15-3.15pm When? Tues 2.15-3.15pm GEOGRAPHY SOCIETY What? Tues 3.15-4.15pm When? Tues 3.15-4.15pm MODERN BRITAIN AND RS What? Tues 4.15-5.15pm When? Tues 4.15-5.15pm NETBALL CLUB What? Tues 5.15-6.15pm When? Tues 5.15-6.15pm LIFE CENTRE SWIMMING What? Tues 6.15-7.15pm When? Tues 6.15-7.15pm TABLE TENNIS What? Tues 7.15-8.15pm When? Tues 7.15-8.15pm DOGSBALL What? Tues 8.15-9.15pm When? Tues 8.15-9.15pm TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE What? Tues 9.15-10.15pm When? Tues 9.15-10.15pm PRODUCTION SINGERS What? Tues 10.15-11.15pm When? Tues 10.15-11.15pm SMHC NETBALL What? Tues 11.15-12.15pm When? Tues 11.15-12.15pm	FITNESS CLUB What? Tues 1.15 - 2.15pm When? Tues 1.15-2.15pm WEDNESDAY GYMNASTICS What? Tues 1.15 - 2.15pm When? Tues 1.15-2.15pm BOYS FOOTBALL What? Tues 2.15 - 3.15pm When? Tues 2.15-3.15pm CARD CLUB What? Tues 3.15 - 4.15pm When? Tues 3.15-4.15pm ART CLUB What? Tues 4.15 - 5.15pm When? Tues 4.15-5.15pm CLAY CLUB What? Tues 5.15 - 6.15pm When? Tues 5.15-6.15pm PRODUCTION REHEARSAL What? Tues 6.15 - 7.15pm When? Tues 6.15-7.15pm PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB What? Tues 7.15 - 8.15pm When? Tues 7.15-8.15pm DUE CREATIVE SKILLS What? Tues 8.15 - 9.15pm When? Tues 8.15-9.15pm SCHOOL PRODUCTION COSTUME DEPARTMENT What? Tues 9.15 - 10.15pm When? Tues 9.15-10.15pm DUE BRONZE What? Tues 10.15 - 11.15pm When? Tues 10.15-11.15pm	PSYCHOLOGY REVISION What? Tues 1.15 - 2.15pm When? Tues 1.15-2.15pm BADMINTON What? Tues 2.15 - 3.15pm When? Tues 2.15-3.15pm BOYS FOOTBALL What? Tues 3.15 - 4.15pm When? Tues 3.15-4.15pm GIRLS FOOTBALL What? Tues 4.15 - 5.15pm When? Tues 4.15-5.15pm GLOWING STARS - YOUNG DANCERS What? Tues 5.15 - 6.15pm When? Tues 5.15-6.15pm BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE What? Tues 6.15 - 7.15pm When? Tues 6.15-7.15pm CODE CLUB What? Tues 7.15 - 8.15pm When? Tues 7.15-8.15pm BOARD GAMES What? Tues 8.15 - 9.15pm When? Tues 8.15-9.15pm KEYBOARD CLUB What? Tues 9.15 - 10.15pm When? Tues 9.15-10.15pm SD MEDIA STUDIO What? Tues 10.15 - 11.15pm When? Tues 10.15-11.15pm PRODUCTION REHEARSAL What? Tues 11.15 - 12.15pm When? Tues 11.15-12.15pm STEAM What? Tues 12.15 - 1.15pm When? Tues 12.15-1.15pm COOKING CLUB What? Tues 1.15 - 2.15pm When? Tues 1.15-2.15pm Y13 BTEC UNIT 315 DROP IN What? Tues 2.15 - 3.15pm When? Tues 2.15-3.15pm

Care to Learn Learn to Care

Alumini students: Where are they now?

Name: Tegenn

Job Title: 2nd Year Student Paramedic, University of Plymouth

Former Course: Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care

"The BTEC suited my way of learning; being mostly coursework based, it enabled me to link my learning to practical skills which I would take on into my course at University.

"My work placement while at Scott College was observing the Emergency Department at the local hospital which allowed me to gain a strong insight into my future career and gained valuable experience."

