



2 December 2025

Dear parents/carers

Our December edition of The Helstonian will be published soon containing the usual celebration of student achievements. In the meantime, there are a few reminders and updates I wanted to share below.

### **Week Beginning 1 December 2025**

#### **Post 16 Open Evening**

Tonight, we are hosting our P16 Open Evening – a great event to help students decide on their next steps beyond Year 11. The evening starts at 5pm with a short talk in the North Site Hall, followed by an opportunity to find out about the 30 courses we offer and what life is like as a 6<sup>th</sup> former at Helston.

#### **12 Days of Christmas**

On Thursday we start our 12 Days of Christmas programme - a programme to promote kindness and to offer some festive cheer!

Each day, students are invited to complete an act of kindness, donate an item of food for the Foodbank collection and take part in an activity or event during lunch or after school. We would be grateful if you could encourage your child to take part (please see the attached).

As part of the programme, staff will be issuing Kindness Golden Tickets to students for showing kindness. These are to be placed into one of the golden post boxes for an end of term prize draw.

### **Week Beginning 8 December 2025**

#### **Christmas Concert**

On 8 December 2025 at 6.00pm we are holding our Christmas Concert at the North Site Hall. There is a £5 entry fee. All funds raised at this event will be used by the Music Department to buy music and repair instruments. Everyone is welcome.

#### **Year 11 - P16 Taster Day**

On Tuesday 9 December, our Year 11s will be 6<sup>th</sup> formers for a day. The majority of students have selected the courses they would like to sample and will experience for themselves what life is like in P16!

### **Week Beginning 15 December 2025**

#### **Prize Draws**

During this week the students will be having some celebratory group assemblies and we will have two prize draws, our Kindness Golden Tickets on Thursday 18 December and our Consequence Cards on Friday 19 December. These will recognise some fantastic behaviours from our students.

### **School Streaks Reward Day**

On 18 December we are also holding a School Streaks Reward Day. School Streaks is a new initiative where students can earn streaks for attending school and having zero negative behaviour points. The rewards include, skip the dinner queue passes, a silent disco, movie afternoon, tea and cake with Mr Lingard. For Year 11, they can also gain money off their prom ticket. Please encourage your child to attend school every day so that they can gain the reward they would like.

### **Christmas Carol Concert**

On Thursday 18 December we have our Christmas Carol Concert at St Michael's Church, starting at 6.30pm. It would be lovely if you could join us.

### **Last Day of Term**

On the last day of term, Friday 19 December it is non-school uniform/Christmas jumper day. If a student doesn't have a Christmas jumper then they could wear a christmassy top or item. We would like students to donate £1 (or as much as they can afford) to a very worthy cause "Save the Children". Cash can be handed to Tutors or payment can be made via Parent Pay.

### **Early Finish – Friday 19 December**

Please remember that we finish early at 12.30pm on Friday 19 December. Please see the last page of this letter for full details of the transport times. However, if students are unable to get transport home, we can supervise them until the usual finishing time. If you would like your child supervised until 3.15pm please contact the College 01326 572685 by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December. You will need to provide the name of the person collecting your child at 3.15pm.

### **In the New Year**

#### **Year 7 and Year 10 Assessments**

As per the calendar, the first assessments for Year 10 and Year 7 take place in the New Year. In preparation, revision booklets will be sent out to parents and students in advance. The Year 10 booklet has already been sent out so please check your emails (including your junk mail) and help plan revision at home. The Year 7 booklet will be ready to send before the end of the term.

### **A few reminders**

#### **Uniform**

Full uniform should be worn by all students which includes the College jumper **with the embroidered badge** and/or the College Blazer. No hoodies are allowed to be worn.

**Hair styles** Students are allowed hair styles that are reasonable. There should be no obvious hair dye, designs shaved into the hair, or closely shaved heads. There should be no extreme hair styles.

#### **Jewellery**

No jewellery is allowed to be worn at College, other than one pair of stud earrings, one nose stud and one wrist watch. Any other jewellery seen will be confiscated and returned at the end of that half-term. Failure to hand over such items will be escalated through the College behaviour system.

Please can we ask for your continued support in ensuring your child wears the correct uniform, full details of which can be found in our Uniform Policy which is on our website here: [Helston Community College - Policies](#)

### **Detentions**

All students are expected to attend detentions. If, however, there is a valid reason why your child cannot attend a detention please contact the school prior to the detention day and speak to your child's Pastoral Support Assistant or Head of Year so that the detention can be rescheduled.

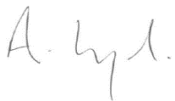
Please can I remind all parents that if they have any questions, these are most likely answered in our Parent Guide which can be found here: [Helston Community College - Parent Guide](#)  
Alternatively, please contact the College and speak to the appropriate Head of Year or Pupil Support Officer, the details of which can be found here: [Helston Community College - HCC Staff Directory](#)

### **Thank You**

Thank you for your on-going support. Your support in helping us provide the best education we can is invaluable and we wish you a wonderful Christmas when it arrives.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully



**Mr A Lingard**  
**Headteacher**

**\*Please see the next page for the transport times on Friday 19 December 2025**

## **HELSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE - TRANSPORT TIMES 19 DECEMBER 2025**

### **First Buses**

U4 West (towards Penzance) – leaves Tesco at **1.21pm**

U4 East (towards Falmouth) – leaves Tesco at **12.46pm/1.53pm**

### **Go Cornwall Buses**

HEL006 to Great Work via Porthleven – WILL **NOT** COME INTO HCC

HEL 34 North (to Lizard) – Leaves Tesco at **1.29pm**

HEL 34 South (to Redruth) – Leaves Tesco at **12.50pm**

HEL 36 to Truro via Stithians, Carnkie & Porkellis – Leaves Tesco at **1.10pm**

HEL 36A to Coverack – Leaves Tesco at **1.17pm**

HEL 38 – (Camborne to Helston via Praze, Nancegollan & Sithney) – Leaves Tesco at **1.42pm**

HEL 39 – (Helston to Camborne via Sithney, Townshend & Leedstown) – Leaves Tesco at **12.42pm**

### **OTS**

HEL004 - WILL COME INTO HCC AT **12.45PM**

35A – (Gweek/Constantine) – Leaves Tesco at **1.30PM**

### **R Cabs -**

HEL002 - ALL WILL COME INTO HCC AT **12.45PM**

### **PORTREATH CABS**

CS10288 – WILL COME INTO HCC AT **12.45PM**

### **24/7 TAXIS (Helston)**

HEL001 – WILL BE AT HCC AT **12.30PM**

### **NICE CABS (Newquay)**

HEL004 - WILL COME INTO HCC AT **12.45PM**