

# SENIOR SCHOOL AT TRURO HIGH



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Where Girls Thrive



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# Welcome to Truro High

**Discover the difference of our award-winning day and boarding school where girls thrive during their Senior School and Sixth Form years in a safe and secure learning environment.**

At Truro High, all girls are known and valued as individuals and given the challenge and support they need to strive for excellence in all areas. Our school is known not just for its phenomenal academic record but also for the way our students embrace the wide range of enrichment opportunities on offer to them each and every day.

Founded by Archbishop Benson in 1880, Truro High School has a long and proud tradition of providing a first-class education to girls in which academic rigour and excellent pastoral care go hand in hand. The feeling about our school is one of joy with staff and students working together in partnership to create an environment where everyone is driven to achieve their best.

**“Across the school, pupils demonstrate highly positive attitudes to their learning. They display a lively interest and focus and self-reflect on their work regularly.”**

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# An 'Excellent' education

**Truro High School holds the highest possible grade of 'Excellent' in all areas from the Independent Schools Inspectorate.**

Here are a few of the things the team had to say about our school:

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"From the youngest age, pupils are eloquent and sophisticated communicators in a variety of media."

"Pupils are ambitious for themselves and their peers in their learning."

"Pupils have high levels of self-confidence and are well prepared for the next stage of their lives."

"Pupils described that the 'Truro High attitude and atmosphere' had given them confidence to shape and voice their own opinions."



“Pupils across the school enjoy making a difference to the lives of those around them and demonstrate a clear understanding of their shared responsibility to maintain a positive environment in school.”

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# Our Values

## Curiosity

Through dynamic teaching and positive mentoring girls develop a life-long love of learning, fuelled by intellectual curiosity and driven by academic determination.

## Creativity

Where creativity in all forms is celebrated and girls learn to cherish originality and innovation. Imaginations are nurtured and a sense of awe and wonder is never far away.

## Courage

Where a can-do attitude is fostered and girls embrace challenges in and outside of the classroom with determination. Where mistakes are nothing more than learning experiences on the journey to success and resilience is grown with every step along the way.



## Compassion

Where girls are interested and empathetic, showing genuine respect and care for others and the environment. They are keen to do all they can to make this a better world, both locally and globally. Girls are encouraged to be open-minded and develop integrity; having the strength of character to do what is right, rather than just what is easy.

## Community

Where the tremendous power of teamwork and collaboration are valued, with girls encouraged to be outward-facing and recognise the positive benefits of local, national and global interconnection. The quality of relationships in our warm community is second to none and the encouragement and celebration of success is enjoyed by all.

## Ambition

Where young people know that their teachers are their champions and they are empowered to become the best possible versions of themselves.



# Why Girls Only?

**The most important gifts you can give your daughter are self-confidence and self-belief and girls' schools deliver both these qualities in abundance.**

With only girls in the classroom and on the sports field, both intellectual and physical confidence can grow and girls can truly learn without limits.

Teachers can specialise in teaching girls in an environment where they are free from the social pressures and gender stereotypes which they might encounter elsewhere.

- Girls who attend girls' schools consistently outperform their peers academically (DfE)
- Girls' schools buck the trend in terms of girls participation in male dominated sports (GSA)
- Girls in girls' schools are more confident and emotionally in control than their peers (AQR International)
- Girls in girls' schools are 2.6 times as likely to take Further Maths and more than twice as likely to take Physics A level – compared to girls in other schools
- The uptake of other sciences is higher with Biology 40% higher, Chemistry 85% higher and Maths 88% higher in girls' schools – compared with girls in other schools

“Pupils across the school are excellent collaborators both  
in the classroom and other activities.”

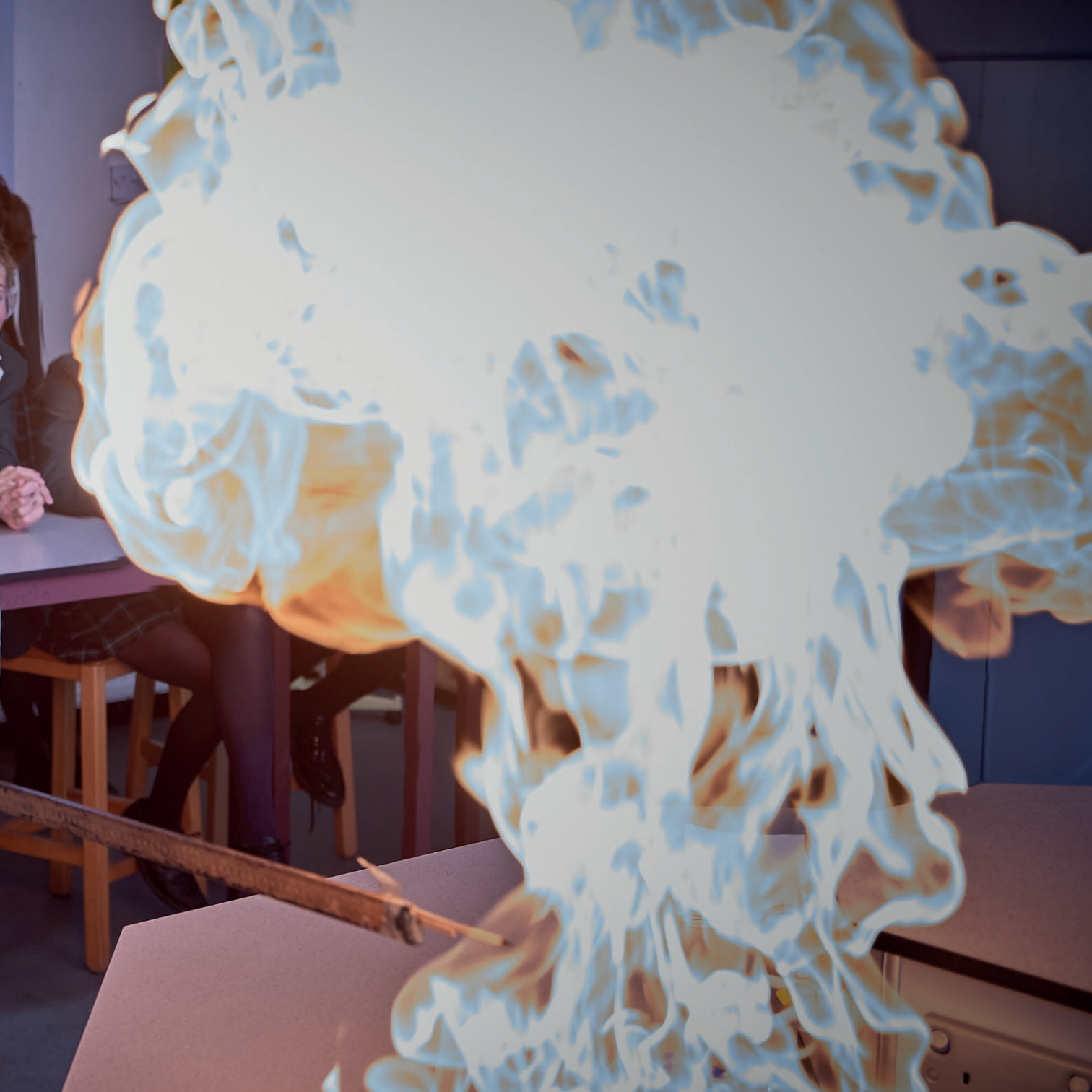
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“They demonstrate initiative and independence and are highly effective when working with their peers.”

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# Together we thrive

**Wellbeing is an integral part of everything we do here at Truro High School. The happiness and welfare of all our students is at the heart of the school, and we work hard to ensure every individual thrives in a supportive environment.**

Our school ethos is based on the firm foundations of compassion and empathy – core values we instil in our students from a young age – and we strive to create a warm, nurturing, and secure learning environment to give our girls the best chance of reaching their full potential.

As a small school, we pride ourselves on knowing all our girls as individuals, which helps our teaching and pastoral staff support every pupil according to her own strengths and needs.

By building strong foundations of positive mental attitudes and resilience in our students throughout the school, we ensure that our girls can face and overcome any challenges that might come their way.

A photograph of a female teacher with short brown hair, wearing a green cardigan over a blue and black floral top, leaning over a wooden table. She is gesturing with her right hand while looking at a young female student. The student has long blonde hair and wears glasses, and is focused on cutting a piece of paper with purple-handled scissors. On the table, there is a tube of glue and some scattered paper. In the background, a mannequin is partially visible, draped in white fabric, and the room appears to be a craft or art studio with various materials hanging on the walls.

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# World Class Learning

**In 2024, 90% of girls headed to the university of their choice with destinations including Durham, Bath, Bristol, Cardiff, Exeter, Norland College, ArtsEd, St Andrews and Southampton.**

Truro High School has been awarded the prestigious status of World Class School for High Performance Learning. All students are supported and challenged to reach their full potential with individual learning journeys to ensure they thrive.





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# Unparalleled opportunities

The best education is about much more than academic success. At Truro High, we want students to be courageous, curious, creative and ambitious which means providing the opportunities they need to grow.

There are more than 80 extra-curricular clubs and clinics every week, encouraging students to discover new passions and unearth hidden talents.

Aspiring Medics offers a tailored programme of lectures and workshops with medical, veterinary and dentistry professionals while PERFORM stages regular masterclasses for those looking to pursue a career in the performing arts.

Lunchtime careers talks cover jobs from science and engineering to law, film production and hospitality. Young entrepreneurs can gain hands-on experience of setting up and running a business through our award winning Café Club.







# A welcoming home from home

**Our small, family-run boarding houses are places where every girl can feel a sense of belonging and be as 'at home' as possible, enabling her to work successfully and fulfil her full potential.**

We will help her integrate quickly and smoothly into our Boarding family where she will be welcomed by a sea of smiles and friendly faces.

With no exeat to worry about, she can relax and enjoy our full programme of weekend trips that make the most of the stunning Cornish scenery on our doorstep.





“Pupils are inclusive, demonstrating emotional intelligence  
and sensitivity towards others.”

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# An award-winning school

Truro High is one of the UK's leading schools for girls and this has been recognised with a host of top educational awards.

- 2025** **Shortlisted** for Independent Girls' School of the Year – Winner to be announced
- 2025** **Highly Commended**, Muddy Stilettos "Inventive Extra-curricular Programme"
- 2024** **Winner** of "Most Dedicated Girls' School – South West"
- 2024** **Highly Commended**, Muddy Stilettos "Best Experiential Learning"
- 2023** **Winner** - Best Independent Girls' Day and Boarding School - South West Region, Southern Enterprise Awards
- 2023** **Winner** - Muddy Stilettos EYFS Award for Most Creative Learning through Play
- 2023** **Shortlisted** - Independent Girls' School of the Year
- 2023** **Finalist** - Tes EYFS Setting of the Year
- 2023** **Highly Commended** - Tes Best STEM Teaching
- 2023** Fortune magazine's Top 250 Boarding Schools in the World

# THE NEXT STEP



We hope you have enjoyed reading about our school and we recommend that you come and see it for yourself.

To book your personal tour, please call Mrs Jo Norriss on 01872 242902 or email [registrar@trurohigh.co.uk](mailto:registrar@trurohigh.co.uk).

'We hope to welcome you soon – we have so much to show you!'



**"THIS SCHOOL  
COULD NOT DO MORE FOR  
ITS GIRLS IF IT TRIED"**

THE GOOD SCHOOLS GUIDE



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