# HIGH DAYS

TRURO HIGH SCHOOL

There's life in the Old Girl yet...





# Old Girls take a walk on the wild side with Steve Backshall >> Find out more, pg. 2

# BBC Chief Political Correspondent and Old Girl inspires leaders of tomorrow at Speech Day

Truro High School for Girls celebrated traditions old and new this month as the BBC's Chief Political Correspondent and Old Girl Vicki Young inspired the leaders of tomorrow at our annual Speech Day and prize giving ceremony in Truro Cathedral.



Vicki left the school as Head Girl in 1988 before heading to Cambridge University and has, for many years, been one of the BBC's best known, and most respected, faces reporting on the comings and goings of Westminster.

During her years as a Political Correspondent she has covered five General Election campaigns, reporting for the BBC Six and Ten o'clock news, Radio 4 and 5 Live. She inspired the audience with a fascinating address in which she talked about the inner workings of Parliament, its traditions and the importance of breaking gender stereotypes in the world of politics.

She said: "At the Election last month, 208 women were elected – a record high but this still means that only 29% of the House of Commons is female. MPs are sent to Parliament to represent us and it might be better if it reflected what our whole society looks like."

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Leading the way on the Straits of Gibraltar

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#### Taking a walk on the wild side with Steve Backshall at Amy Key

This year's annual Old Girls' Association Amy Key lecture was a real walk on the wild wide as BAFTA award-winning wildlife presenter and international conservationist Steve Backshall inspired as guest of honour.



One of the country's most recognisable explorers, Steve joined nearly 200 Old Girls, current sixth form pupils, parents, staff and Governors for a three course dinner before delivering a fascinating talk about his adventures around the world.

Inspiring his audience to be bold and take a closer look at the fascinating wildlife which inhabits our planet, he recounted tales which

included kayaking with whales, leading expeditions into extinct volcanos, discovering a new species of spider, abseiling into a sink hole and even coming face-to-face with a crocodile.

He also proudly spoke about his fundraising work alongside his wife, the Olympic gold medallist Helen Glover, which aims to protect a section of rainforest in Malaysian Borneo.

"It was an incredible honour to have Steve join us this

evening," said Sue Dowding, Chair of the OGA. "Everyone was utterly inspired by his talk which proved an extremely fitting way to welcome the next generation of Old Girls into the association as they prepare to embark on their own adventure to university and beyond."

The Amy Key lecture was first established by the Old Girls' Association (OGA) five years ago and takes its name from the school's first headmistress.



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difference.

Speech Day

She continued: "There's a saying that you can't be it if you can't see it and this is

where I think schools like Truro High make such a

Celebrations continued at the school's end of year Garden Party where they bid a fond farewell to their Upper Sixth Leavers with some very special friends to take on their journey as they head to some of the country's top universities – their very own Truro High teddy bear.

Headmaster Dr Glenn Moodie said: "We are extremely proud of our school's long and distinguished history and are delighted that this year has also seen the creation of many new traditions from our first ever dance show to our inaugural school ball. Today we carry on a legacy which goes all the way back to the founding of the school 137 years ago and as we weave these traditions, old and new, into the fabric of our community we look ahead to celebrating them in another century's time."

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#### Celebrate a pearl anniversary

Want to reminisce, catch up with old friends and celebrate three decades as an Old Girl in style? We are delighted to announce that plans are in motion for our 30th & 35th anniversary reunion to be held on Saturday 21 October 2017.





Former Truro High pupils who left the school between 1979 and 1987 are warmly invited to join us for this rare opportunity to get up-to-date with everyone's news, rekindle fond memories and see how much has changed.

The day will include guided walking tours of the school grounds and a celebration lunch. The following leavers are warmly invited to attend this wonderful event:

Upper Sixth Leavers 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986 & 1987

Lower Sixth Leavers 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985 & 1986

Fifth Form Leavers 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984 & 1985

Spaces are limited so register your interest today by emailing ogaevents@trurohigh.co.uk.

# Pack your pencil case for 'Back to School' Day this October



Our ever-popular 'Back to School Day' returns this October offering Old Girls a fabulous opportunity to experience life and learning at Cornwall's top school once more.

If you didn't get enough the first time round and would like to explore the corridors of Truro High again, come back to school on **Friday 20 October 2017** and experience first-hand what has changed since your were last here.

The following day will see many of you returning for our Pearl Anniversary reunion, so why not come down early and make a weekend of it?

After meeting over coffee and catching up with old friends, you will spend the morning with our present pupils for regular lessons giving you a chance to brush up on your favourite subjects and perhaps learn something new.

After your morning study, you will join your fellow Old Girls in the dining hall for a school lunch, a meal probably quite different from - and we hope a huge improvement on - those many of you would have eaten in your schooldays.

Numbers are limited so book your place now by emailing oldgirls@trurohigh.co.uk to avoid disappointment.

For close on a century and a half, Truro High has been offering top quality education for girls and many of them have gone on to achieve outstanding success in a wide variety of fields. This term, Old Girl Lady Suzie Johns (nee Dudley) - THS 1957-1958 and 1959-1968 - talks about her incredible life as she reflects on...

#### My time in Gibraltar as the Governor's Lady

he Rock of Gibraltar stands proudly British at the gateway to the Mediterranean. I remember seeing it for the first time as a young child from the deck of our passenger ship en route to India. I was born of a St Agnes family in central India where my father, as a true Cornishman, was a mining engineer.

My mother had brought us home to Cornwall for our education and sent my sisters and me to Truro High but we did make the occasional trip back to India. As I stood on the upper deck wondering at the mighty Rock, little did I know that I would return some 50 years later and see Gibraltar again but this time from a very different perspective as the Governor's Lady.



How did that happen? Well, my husband retired from the Royal Navy in 2008 and we had just settled back into our home in south London when he received a telephone call from the Foreign Office. His name had been put forward as a candidate for the post of Governor; he went in for interview and was offered the appointment. Although we thought our days of travelling were over, it didn't take us long to make up our minds and get going again.

We arrived in Gibraltar on 26 October 2009 on board HMS LANCASTER in full ceremonial splendour with guns saluting, flags flying, bands playing, and the serried ranks of the great and the good of Gibraltar to meet us on the red carpet. Then it was off to the Parliament building to be sworn in officially. One of the many joys of Gibraltar is that everything is within easy walking distance so, after being sworn in, we perambulated the short distance from Parliament to our new home, the Convent.

Although it has always been known as the Convent, the Governor's Residence is an early 16th century Franciscan monastery, requisitioned by the first British Governor, Prince George, in 1704. It is a magnificent building full of history and, of course, complete with its own ghost, the so-called Lady in Grey. She was said to be an apprentice nun who had tried to elope with her young lover but had been apprehended and handed over to the Inquisition who, in their merciful wisdom, entombed her alive in one of the great pillars of the monastery chapel. She still comes out for a saunter around even today and, although she never bothered us, one or two of our guests certainly felt her presence.

Gibraltar was first occupied by the Moors from North Africa in the early 8th century. From this foothold, they swept northwards conquering the Christian kingdoms of Spain and forming the great caliphate, Al Andalus (modern Andalucía), in the southern part of the country. After several centuries of Moorish rule the Christians began to regain ground and Gibraltar eventually became Spanish in 1426. The Rock fell to the British in 1704 during the War of the Spanish Succession. It was formally ceded by Spain in the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713 and has been staunchly British ever since.

So we found ourselves immersed in the colourful history and politics of Gibraltar. Though Spain had signed off Gibraltar in a legally binding international treaty, she has never given up her desire to get the Rock back. Gibraltar suffered a number of military sieges in the 18th and 19th centuries but today the pressure is applied politically rather than through military means. Brexit will have an impact for us all but perhaps even more profoundly for Gibraltarians who, despite voting with a 96% majority in favour of remaining in the EU, now find themselves as the only part of the UK with a hard border with mainland Europe and an unsympathetic neighbour on the other side. Interesting times!





Left to right: The main banqueting hall in the Convent - note the Cornish Chough on the family's Coat of Arms in the top left corner (their motto is also in Cornish!); Suzie signing the book as Patron of the RN Gibraltar Patrol Boat Squadron

Below: The climax on the Gibraltar social calendar, the Queen's Birthday Garden Party in the Convent Grounds



But life will go on in Gibraltar as it always has notwithstanding the external pressures. Life for us in this small British Overseas Territory was fascinating. I found myself busier than ever not only accompanying my husband in his duties as Governor but also in my own right as Patron of a large number of charities and organisations. I have to confess that all ideas of a diet go out of the window and afternoon teas with the ladies of Gibraltar are not for the faint-hearted!

Living in the Convent was a wonderful privilege and experience. The main rooms of the house are magnificent with a beautiful drawing room, an impressive banqueting hall, and even a ballroom. The gardens are superb. We were determined to use the Convent to the full and, despite the inevitable security constraints, make the residence as a accessible as possible to the local population. To that end, we hosted countless events including coffee mornings, afternoon teas, lunches, formal

dinners, investitures, concerts, open days and garden parties. The climax of the Gibraltar social year was, and still is the Queen's Birthday Garden party, and each year we entertained over 1000 guests at an evening reception in the grounds.

But we also had our own private quarters in the adjoining west wing, a place to which we could escape, relax, and be ourselves. We realised quite quickly how important this was; Gibraltar can feel at times like a goldfish bowl and we soon twigged that we were always on show and on duty. We did, however, try very hard to live as normal a life as possible though I recall vividly a fellow customer in Morrison's fingering through my shopping trolley just to see what the Governor's Lady was buying!

There were so many high points during our four years in Gibraltar but perhaps the most significant year was 2012, the Diamond Jubilee Year. We hosted a Royal visit by the Earl and Countess of Wessex, which gave the Gibraltarians the opportunity to demonstrate their unique Britishness and their unwavering loyalty to the Crown.

Alas, all good things come to an end and we bade a sad farewell to the Rock and its wonderful people in November 2013 in an emotional departure. I shall always treasure our time in this small British community at the southern tip of Europe. We made friends for life and it was indeed a huge privilege and a unique experience for us.

Would you like to share your incredible stories with other Old Girls? If so please send the details to Marianne at oldgirls@trurohigh.co.uk







#### An inspiring teacher

#### Diana Smeath (nee Langdon)

11 July 1937 to 15 May 2017 | THS Nov 1948 - July 1951

A former pupil, whose career saw her inspiring young women in Truro High School's chemistry labs as well as looking after its boarders as house mistress, Mrs Diana Smeath sadly passed away this spring.

Diana was born in Redruth and lived at Mid-Devoran throughout her school years at Truro High School. She left the High School in 1955, having been Head Girl, with A levels in Maths, Physics and Chemistry and went on to study for a degree in Chemistry at university in London.

She married John Smeath in August 1959 and they spent two years in the early 1960s at RAF Akrotiri in Cyprus where their two daughters were born. When John left the RAF, he got a job as Air Traffic Controller at Heathrow Airport and the family lived in Berkshire for over 20 years. During that time Diana taught at Downe House School for over 10 years.

In 1987 John and Diana decided to move back down to Cornwall and moved into the family home in Feock. Diana started teaching at the High School, first as Head of Chemistry and then Head of Science. Very sadly, John died suddenly on Christmas Eve in 1988 and Diana poured all her energies into her work. She spent some time as housemistress of the boarding house and introduced lots of the girls to the Isles of Scilly – taking groups of them on camping trips there.

She retired in 1997 but kept constantly busy, indulging her love of travelling and adventure with many trips both overseas and in the UK, always making sure she went back to her beloved Isles of Scilly at least once a year. Her activities included bell ringing, tour guide at Truro Cathedral, volunteering at the Maritime Museum and she was also secretary of the Cornwall branch of the Institute of Advanced Motorists for many years.

Sadly, having initially won a battle with cancer in 2014, Diana succumbed to the disease earlier this year and a celebration of her life took place at Kenwyn Church on 8th June 2017. She was an amazing lady – so generous, kind and charitable, always thinking of others and supporting them however she could and this was shown by the number of people who were at the Church. She is survived by her daughters, Rachel and Sarah, and her four grandchildren, Daniel and Mark, Alice and Rose. Her family is so proud of her – she will be sorely missed by her family and many, many friends.

Diana was posthumously awarded the Lynn Green Memorial Cup for her service to the school at our Annual Speech Day and Prize Giving Ceremony. Her daughter Rachel MacKonochie and granddaughter Alice were in the Cathedral to accept it on behalf of her mother.

Sue Dowding, Chairman of OGA telephoned Diana after the OGA Committee had unanimously agreed to award her the Cup, to tell her the news. Sadly she passed away just a few weeks later.

#### Sadly missed

The Old Girls' Association has been contacted by a huge number of Old Girls with words of sympathy and extremely fond remembrances of Mrs Smeath. There have been a great deal of kind words, heartfelt sentiments and wonderful memories expressed by the so many people who had the privilege to know her which we would very much to share. We couldn't possibly fit them all in but take a look at just a few.

"Very sad news, Mrs Smeath was a wonderful, inspirational, patient and kind teacher, person and boarding mistress. She encouraged me to continue with Chemistry into A-levels and was there to support me through the ups and downs of A-level years as well as other difficult times. She will be missed."

Zoe Hill

"One of my favourite teachers, and one who inspired and helped me towards studying Chemistry at University.

Sympathies to her family x"

Alison Malaiperuman

Very fond memories of her being my boarding house mistress while I was at Tregolls. A firm but fair teacher and boarding mistress who I was constantly in battle with about my shirt being untucked (sorry), but she was also immensely supportive to my sister and I during our years at, and after, Truro High.

Tor McIntosh

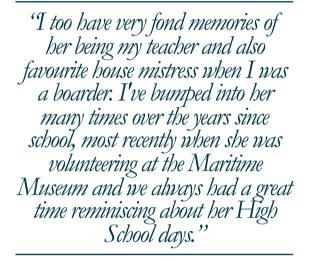


'How very sad...I was determined that I couldn't do Chemistry but Mrs Smeath volunteered her time and gave me some additional lessons which resulted in be getting a grade at GCSE I never dreamed I would; thank you Mrs Smeath!"

Oni Law

'Very sad to hear, she was both my chemistry teacher and form teacher. She drove me to a lecture in Plymouth one evening and I discovered what a lovely lady she really was."

Amelia Bray



Katie Doyle Vage



"Very sad news, Mrs Smeath epitomised elegance and resilience, a quietly inspiring role model. We were all better for her influence..."

Rebecca Boomer-Clark

"I am very sad about this - as a chemistry teacher myself now (having done a chemistry PhD as well) I can say that she really inspired me. I loved that she would always stop and speak and say how proud she was of us all! Especially remember her driving us to Norwich for a spectroscopy course, a lovely lady x"

"Such sad news - I
have such fond
memories of her during
my A-levels and all the
wonderful support she
gave. My thoughts are
with her family"

Eileen Boydell Amos



## Memories of a beloved housemistress

Old Girl and actress Dani King remembers her former housemistress fondly...

I am so sad to hear of Mrs Smeath's passing; she was an important part of my schooling at the High School.

I was a boarder at the High School for 10 years and Mrs Smeath was one of my House Mistress' when I finally reached Tregolls. I was a student of hers, briefly, as a Chemistry teacher as a second year., and though I recognised what a powerful teacher she was, my interests were elsewhere and, frankly, she terrified my second year self slightly. However, when she and her German Shepherd came into the boarding house she showed us compassion, respect and friendship - three things, surely, that are as important to the foundations of young women about to go into the world as reading, writing and arithmetic?

As many 16 years old must feel, I had a particularly challenging last two years at the High School due to clashes of opinions as to what my future should be, how best to navigate it and how I should behave towards the people who assumed they were 'in charge' of it. It came to a particularly difficult moment between myself, the Head at the time and some teaching staff, and had it not been for Mrs Smeath and Maggie Hutton, two incredible women who became my champions and showed me a great deal of faith, I'm not sure I would have succeeded to continue following my goals.

As it was, when I was accepted into The Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts (RADA) at 18, I did so because of the support of people like Mrs Smeath. And when I began the mission of seeking sponsorship to support myself living in London, Mrs Smeath's was the first cheque I received, left in an envelope on my dorm bed with a card I still have. She came to see my first public performance in my second year and my first professional job Spear-carrying for The Almedia Theatre world tour of Coriolanus and Richard II with Ralph Fiennes and I couldn't have been more proud to have her on my side.

Nearly 20 years on and I am still a working actress, now based in Sydney and, though both Maggie and Mrs Smeath have passed I continue to carry their values with me.



#### Former Headmistress remembered

It is with great sadness that we announce that former Truro High School Headmistress Eileen Beall died suddenly this May. Over the course of her time as Headmistress of the school, Miss Beall made a great impact on a huge number of pupils and will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.



Miss Eileen Beall was born in Sutton, Surrey on 1 September 1928. Following WWII, Eileen was awarded a place at Southampton University – an impressive achievement at a time when priority for university places was largely being given to men returning from the war.

Eileen's career saw her teach across the country before taking some time away from teaching to care for her mother. She took up the post of Sixth Form mistress at Brighton & Hove High School following her mother's death.

Eileen was appointed Headmistress of Truro High School in September 1978, succeeding Elizabeth Davis. The school centenary of 1980 overshadowed the late 1970s, with extensive preparations taking place. The centenary was celebrated in magnificent style and included the school play 'The Reluctant Mermaid', a pageant of the school's history.

The school continued to flourish under her leadership with the Centenary Appeal creating provision for bursaries and a new Sixth Form block as well as brand-new courses being added to the curriculum. Careers advice became more widely available throughout the senior school and guest speakers were invited to talk about a huge variety of professions.

Eileen retired in 1983, and Sheila Murphy held the position of acting-Headmistress before José Marshall was able to take up the appointment in 1984.

Retirement was anything but quiet and the former Headmistress dedicated the rest of her life to a huge number of charities. She was on the committees of the Minack, Eden Project, the Lost Gardens of Heligan, National Trust Trelissick Gallery and the Historical Society in Truro to name but a few. She worked tirelessly for the Cornwall Blind Association and was well known for visiting many members in their homes

in order to accompany them on walks and outings. She was the Chairman of the Talking Newspaper for the Blind, both reading for and editing the tapes they distributed across the county.

A keen supporter of Truro Cathedral, Eileen was a Cathedral guide and the first manager of the Cathedral shop when it was first established. She even collected greenery for her many friends in the Cathedral Flower Guild, though she drew the line at flower arranging! It was an incredibly active time for the former Headmistress who was always busy offering a helping hand in any way she could.

Eileen sadly passed away suddenly on 7 May 2017 aged 88 years. She will be greatly missed by her family, many friends and the huge number of pupils and colleagues whom she had an impact on over her teaching career.



#### Calling all '92 leavers

Former Truro High pupils who left the school between 1990 - 1992 are warmly invited to join us for a wonderful summer celebration this August.



The following leavers are warmly invited to attend this wonderful event:

Upper Sixth Leavers 1992 Lower Sixth Leavers 1991 Fifth Form Leavers 1990

#### If you were a 'High School Girl' from these Year Groups why not join us on Saturday 26 August from 11am at Truro High School?

We will be enjoying a tour of the school, buffet lunch and for some of us, a catch up after 25 years!

Please contact oldgirls@trurohigh.co.uk or Emma Pott (nee Brock) emma.pott@hotmail.co.uk for further details.



#### Please do get in touch

Our Old Girls' Association is a thriving and vibrant body through which past pupils can keep in touch and be upto-date with everyone's latest news.

If you've moved on to pastures new, started a new job, graduated, retired, got into university, had a baby, had a grandchild or just climbed Mount Everest then we would love to hear from you!

Would you like to share your career wisdom with our community? Have you been recognised as excelling in a specialist area?

Want to share stories about an exciting journey or travels to distant parts of the world? Have you taken part in an amazing feat of daring for charity or just for fun?

Whether it is exciting news such as this or even your memories of Truro High School, we would love to hear about it.

Let us know at oldgirls@trurohigh.co.uk so that we can share this with others in the Newsletter.

Photos with any articles would be very much appreciated.





#### Our team

Chairman	Sue Dowding (nee Webb)	Committee	Harriet Andrew (nee Hancock)
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# Truro High Update

## Engineering dreams come true at Truro High

Truro High School has continued its bid to redress the gender imbalance in the world of engineering this term with a whole host of special workshops and exciting developments for their budding professional engineers.

The school was a hub of engineering activity last month as almost 200 young women from schools across Cornwall took part in special workshops to celebrate WES International Women in Engineering Day 2017.

From testing model barrage ships in the school pool to getting under the bonnet of a professional rally car, girls from all over the county took part in a range of interactive sessions designed to excite their interest in engineering as a career. To help them discover the many opportunities on offer, representatives from businesses and organisations were on hand to chat about their own experiences and demonstrate what their jobs involved.

There was even the opportunity to jump behind the wheel of a rally car for girls including 14-year-old Dotty Squibb who has just received news that she had won a sought-after spot on a one-week work placement with one of the world's leading Formula 1 teams, Williams F1.

Dotty impressed ex-McLaren and Williams Engineer, James Robinson, with her huge commitment to the school's evergrowing Greenpower race team leading to him recommending the young driver to the talent acquisition team at Williams F1.

The school's Greenpower race team continues to go from strength to strength this year rising in the national rankings and welcoming two Prep School Goblin Cars to their fleet - the largest of its kind in the country.



Currently only 900 of the engineering workforce in the UK is female





#### Best year yet at CreatEd

Truro High's A level and GCSE creatives celebrated their best year yet at Falmouth University's CreatEd Awards as they swept the honours board at the countywide competition for the fifth year running.

Competing against students from nearly 20 schools and colleges from across the county, Truro High's pupils scooped two top-level awards and ten honorary commendations. This level of success was not matched by any other institution in the competition.

First prize places went to Year 13 Emily Elwell-Deighton (pictured right) and Year 12 Alice Barry.

'Our pupils' incredible success at the awards has certainly made this a year to remember; they've truly outdone themselves!

Creativity is at the heart of everything we do at Truro High and I would like to say a huge thank to all of the teachers and support staff who create the right environment for our girls to get inspired, creatively flourish and develop into the cultural innovators of tomorrow."

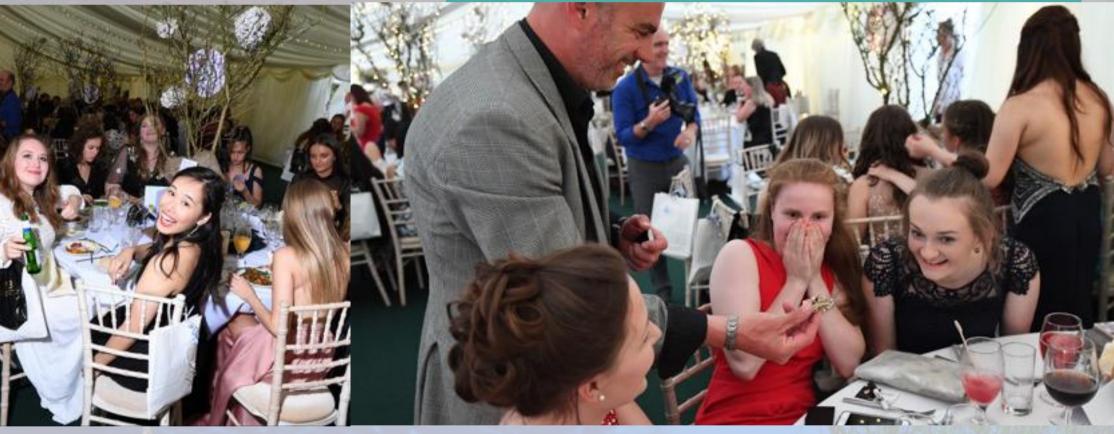
Head of Creative & Performing Arts, Mrs Judith Tutin



Year 13 Rebe Winn was particularly proud to receive a record-breaking two commendations – no other entrant achieved such success – in the 'Fine Art' and 'Photography' categories for her high concept installation pieces. Rebe's innovative portfolio has won plaudits over her time at the school and was even featured in the 'Future Now' Exhibition at the Tate Modern last summer.

The CreatEd Exhibition is the only show in the UK which exhibits the creative talents of students from schools and colleges together. Judges are invited in from leading industries to award prizes in all categories alongside the award-winning university's department heads.





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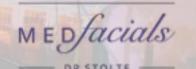














Bishop Philipott

















CLIVEPEARCE









Truro High School Old Girls'

# Backto

Day

Date | Friday 20 October 2017

Time 1 9.30am-2.00pm

Place I Truro High School for Girls

Book your place today by emailing oldgirls@trurohigh.co.uk

# Dive on in...

(things have changed a little since 1968!)

#### Adult Swim Session

Open to all Truro High School parents, staff and Old Girls

Every Wednesday 5.30-6.30pm Every Friday from 6.30-7.30pm

#### £35 for 10 swim sessions

Tickets must be purchased in advance so please email reception@trurohigh.co.uk to register your interest and purchase a book of tickets. Cash will no longer be accepted.



TRURO HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING POOL OPENING DAY MAY 8th, 1968

#### Save the date

Looking ahead in Michaelmas Term

We love seeing familiar faces and sharing our school celebrations with our whole community - pupils past and present, parents, staff and Governors. You are warmly invited to attend any of our school events throughout the year, we look forward to seeing you there.

#### OGA AGM | Tuesday 19 September

Truro High School Old Girls' Association AGM will be held on Tuesday 19 September at 7.30pm in the Sixth Form Centre. All members of the Association are welcome to attend.

### Carols at the Cathedral | Wednesday 6 December

Our annual Christmas Carol Service is one of the highlights of our festive calendar. The widely used 'Nine Lessons and Carols' format was invented by our founder Archbishop Benson and to carry on this legacy we will this year be holding the service in the prestigious venue of Truro Cathedral.

Join us for an atmospheric evening of festive song, with readings and performances from our talented pupils.

Service starts | 7.00pm

#### Christmas Market | Friday 8 December

Looking for a truly magical shopping experience? Truro High School will be sprinkled with a liberal hand of seasonal fairy dust this winter for their beautiful festive Christmas Market.

The school will be transformed into an enchanting Christmas shopper's paradise filled with vendors selling stunning locally-made festive treats and gifts.

Soak up the sights, smells and sounds as you wander around the stalls which, enjoyed with a generous helping of seasonal foodie delights and delicious drinks, will get even the biggest humbugs into the Christmas spirit!

With festive fun and games, affordable gifts for all the family, incredible raffle prizes and Santa's Grotto nearby there's plenty of fabulous festive things to keep you (& your little elves) busy.

Doors open | 4.00-6.00pm

