



Parent Newsletter



Brannel's Senior Leadership Team is committed to providing support to every member of our school community. We are available to offer assistance and address any needs or challenges that may arise. Whether you have questions, concerns, or any other matter to discuss, rest assured, we are here to provide guidance and support.

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Year 10 Geography students completed GCSE fieldwork for their Paper 3 exam in St Ives, gathering data for human fieldwork (pedestrian count, vehicle count, land-use survey) to support the hypothesis of pedestrianising the wharf area. They also conducted physical fieldwork (beach transect, wave count, longshore drift measurement) at Porthmeor Beach to assess coastal erosion risks. All the students had a great time.



Techgirls Green Futures Jam at Eden Project.

Brannel School's teams excelled at the Techgirls Green Futures Jam at Eden Project. Team Future Floods—Katy H, Isla D, Sophie B, Lacy R, and Kara W—won for teamwork, while Team Iris—Maddie S-B, Olivia C, Hannah L, Isobel L, Olivia L, and Phanella R—impressed with their creativity.

Congratulations to all for representing our school brilliantly and contributing to a sustainable future.

On our school farm, students are learning invaluable skills in animal care, tending to a diverse range of creatures including Giant Land Snails, Bearded Dragons, Chickens, and Ducks. Keep an eye out for updates as we eagerly anticipate the arrival of our newest members, Pygmy Goats.

We're also excited to share news about Pollenize, a social enterprise initiative we're proud to be a part of. Through Pollenize, we've planted wildflower meadows to support bees, moths, butterflies, and all pollinators essential for a thriving ecosystem. Collaborating with academic partners and utilizing innovative AI technology, Pollenize is pioneering methods to monitor and enhance biodiversity. By addressing the concerning decline in insect populations, we aim to create a healthier environment where nature can flourish.





Literacy ambassadors

Our wonderful literacy ambassadors are spreading the joy of reading to our feeder primary schools.

Photos of each primary school visit will be posted on Facebook and in our newsletter.



Our current tutor reading books

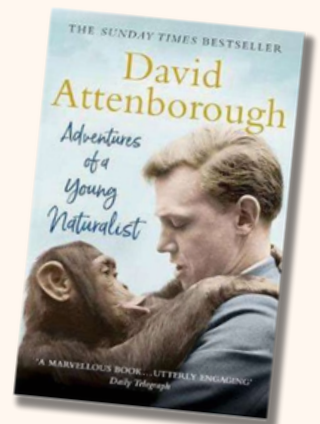


Year 7

Girl, Boy, Sea by Chris Vick. This is a story of adventure and survival. It tells the tale of Aya, an Amazigh girl, and Bill, a British boy, who were shipwrecked in the Atlantic Ocean.

Year 8

Adventures of a Young Naturalist recounts David Attenborough's travels around the globe as a young man, and tells the stories of the many extraordinary species he encountered.

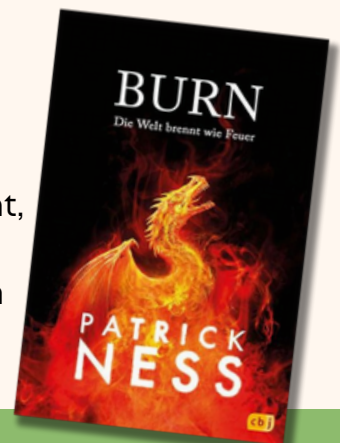


Year 9

Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman. Two young people are forced to make a stand in this thought provoking look at racism and prejudice in an alternate society

Year 10

Burn by Patrick Ness. The novel delves into an alternate 1950s universe where dragons roam the earth. Dragons speak, are extremely intelligent, and can create devastating fires with their breath, but they have agreed to a pact with humans that renders them tame and subservient – at least most of the time.



PE Trip – Bristol City FC vs Man City FC

Thirty students recently attended the Women's Premier League match in Bristol, witnessing an exciting game where Manchester City emerged victorious with a 4-0 win. It was a fantastic opportunity for our girls to experience professional women's football firsthand, capping off a successful year for girls' football at Brannel.



Sports Results

Athletic Achievements and U15 Girls Cricket Results

At Par Athletics Track, our students showcased remarkable talent. Special mention to Year 9's Blake G and Libby S for their victories, with Blake achieving a new personal best in the 100m. Year 8 teams performed admirably, securing wins in various events, including relay races.

Congratulations to Ben K, Toby T, Kaitlyn S, Charlie L, and Jake K for their individual victories. Additionally, our U15 Girls Cricket team achieved a commendable 4th place in the county softball cricket festival, losing only one match out of six played.

Upcoming Fixtures:

- **U13 Girls Cricket Softball County Festival** @ Grampound Road CC 14th May
- **Year 7 + 9 athletics** at PAR Athletics Club 15th May 4-6pm
- **U15 and U13 Cricket** @ Brannel vs Poltair 16th May
- **Year 7 Girls Cricket Softball County Festival** @ Grampound Road CC 21st May
- **School Games Athletics Super 6's** @ Par 22nd May
- **U13 Boys Hardball Cricket Cup match** vs Bude (Home) 23rd May

PE Trip Alert! - Somerset CCC vs Kent CCC in the T20 Blast 14th June 2024 - See Mr Farrer for letters.

Year 8

Year 8 had their celebration assembly, marking the culmination of two busy and fantastic terms filled with positive experiences. Teachers and tutors praised the students, highlighting their achievements and involvement in clubs, extracurricular activities, and trips. The assembly honoured students with subject awards, tutees of the term, recognition for school involvement, and the Head of Year award.



Mia McNerlin Football success

Mia had a great day playing football at Leicester with Plymouth Argyle. It was a fantastic experience playing against Manchester United, Leicester, Hamilton (a Scottish team), and 2 Columbus teams from America.



To view all our amazing students who have won awards please click on this link.

[Student Awards 10th May](#)



12.05.24	British Motor Museum	Enrichment visit
15.05.24 16.05.24	Mary Poppins Rehearsals	Weekly from 3.30pm - 4.30pm Please check 'Teams' for updates
21.05.24	Newquay Spaceport	Supported work experience trip
22.05.24	Truro College Girls Tec Day	Educational visit
22.05.24	Primary Supported reading	Weekly trips from the end of May.
23.05.24	Suez	Supported work experience trip

Year 11 Exams and Boosters

This week kicked off the official start of the GCSE exams for our Year 11 students. We are immensely proud of the dedication and effort they have put into their revision so far! We want to remind parents that we have designed a booster timetable to provide students with the most effective preparation for their exams. This timetable incorporates after-school sessions and breakfast sessions with subject specialists available before each morning exam (starting from 8 am). We encourage all students to take advantage of these opportunities to ensure they are well-prepared and confident going into their exams.

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Week Beginning - 13th May

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT FREE MONDAY See Special Board	MEAT FEAST PASTA BAKE Gluten	ETHERINGTONS ROAST GAMMON	CHICKEN STROGANOFF Mustard milk celery	SAUSAGE CASSEROLE
	V TOMATO PASTA Gluten	V QUORN AND LEEK PIE Milk gluten	V MUSHROOM STOGANOFF Mustard milk celery	V THREE BEAN CASSEROLE
	GARLIC BREAD Gluten milk SWEETCORN	CRISPY ROAST POTATOES SEASONAL VEGETABLES FRESH BREAD	SAVOURY RICE PEAS	MASH Milk GREEN BEANS
	JAM AND CREAM TOPPED SPONGE Gluten milk	CHOCOLATE ORANGE FUDGE CAKE Gluten milk	VANILLA SPONGE AND CHOCOLATE SAUCE Gluten milk	BANANA MOUSSE Milk

Week Beginning - 20th May

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT FREE MONDAY See Specials Board	CHICKEN KORMA Mustard milk	ETHERINGTONS ROAST PORK AND APPLE SAUCE	CREAMY CHIGEN AND BACON CARBONARA Milk gluten	JUMBO FISHCAKES Gluten milk celery
	V VEG KORMA Mustard milk	V NUT ROAST Nut gluten celery	V ROASTED VEGETABLE LASAGNE Gluten	V CORNISH BRIE AND TOMATO QUICHE Egg milk gluten
	RICE PEAS	CRISPY ROAST POTATOES SEASONAL VEGETABLES FRESH BREAD	GARLIC BREAD Gluten milk SWEETCORN	NEW POTATOES MUSHY PEAS BAKED BEANS
	CHILLED LEMON FLAN Milk	SYRYP SPONGE AND CUSTARD Milk gluten	GINGER PUDDING AND CUSTARD Gluten milk	STRAWBERRY MOUSSE Milk