



CAPE CORNWALL SCHOOL

Dream, Believe, Persevere, Achieve

PROSPECTUS 2020



DREAM, BELIEVE, PERSEVERE, ACHIEVE



KINDNESS & RESPECT

ETHOS & VALUES



Our Cape Cornwall School prospectus can only provide a snapshot of the vibrant and varied life of the school, so please feel free to arrange a visit in order to see our school in action.

By setting high standards, not only in academic study but in all aspects of our school community, we seek to inspire students to dream, believe, persevere and achieve excellence.

Our vision is to realise the full potential of each individual, whatever their starting point, by providing personalised levels of challenge, excellent levels of support, encouragement and opportunities,

that enable all our young people to be successful, flourish and achieve independence.

Knowing each child as an individual and creating the circumstances both inside and outside of the classroom, through a mind-set of challenge, discovery and enjoyment, we excite a spirit and energy for lifelong learning and success later in life.

We provide a diverse range of enrichment learning opportunities including our 'Be Inspired' programme that encourages students to follow their passions, learn new skills and enhance their leadership abilities. Through teamwork, they are able to discuss, debate and learn with others and make an active contribution whilst respecting the views of others, preparing them for the changing world in which we live.

Sarah Crawley - Head of School

STUDENT UPDATE



OSCAR Head Boy

What do you most enjoy about lessons and school?

What I most enjoy about lessons is being able to expand my knowledge of a topic and get a wider understanding. I enjoy challenging myself and try not to take the easy route. I enjoy socialising with my friends, peers, and being friendly to everyone.

What advice would you give to future students? When school gets tough and work gets harder, don't give up and don't stop trying, enjoy school while you can as it goes by quickly. Take part in as much as you can, don't be afraid to try new things and get yourself out there. Be friendly and kind to everyone. Cape Cornwall is a small school where everyone gets along and cares for one another.

What do you want to do after finishing at Cape Cornwall School? I want to succeed in my GCSEs and go to college where I will study a course within sport or engineering. However, my mind is not 100% set on what to study quite yet and it could change over the course of the year. I am going forward with an open mind and figuring out what path to take along the way.



KELLY Head Girl

What do you most enjoy about lessons and school?

I like the way we are taught in lessons. There is no pressure applied by the teachers and the atmosphere in the classroom is relaxed but hardworking. You're encouraged to join in and can always get support if you need it.

What advice would you give to future students? The advice I would give to anyone wanting to join Cape Cornwall school is to just get on with everyone. As the school is small, you will probably see everyone every day and you will be with them for the next 5 years, so it will make your school life easier.

What do you want to do after finishing at Cape Cornwall School? After Cape Cornwall School, I'm looking at going to Penwith College to do Business Studies as I'm interested in going into accountancy. I'll also be continuing with my tennis and continue to play for Cornwall.

Students can represent their peers through Student Council. We have a Head Boy and Head Girl and our young people participate in fund raising through activities for local, national and international charities.

We have strong links with the local community through student visits to local primary schools, engagement with local artists and businesses and through participation in community celebratory events.

STUDENT COUNCIL

AMELIA

Year 9 – St Levan Primary School

What do you most enjoy about lessons and school? You get to see and meet different people at the same time as learning new skills.

What advice would you give to future students? If you want to learn then you have to put in the effort. Its up to you what you do with your time at school, my advice is to make the most of every opportunity.

What do you plan to do after finishing at Cape Cornwall School? I enjoy so many different subjects, and my aim is to continue learning; to travel; and to always enjoy whatever it is I do.



SAM

Year 9 – Sennen Primary School

What do you most enjoy about lessons and school? I most enjoy my lessons when the teachers make the learning fun and also the variety of my lessons in the different classrooms. Cape Cornwall School has a friendly atmosphere and you don't get lost when in and around the school.

What advice would you give to future students? Be yourself, try to have a positive mentality and respect others.

What do you plan to do after finishing at Cape Cornwall School? After leaving Cape Cornwall School, I hope to attend a College, to enable me to obtain further qualifications.





COURAGE & CONFIDENCE

A FLYING START



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*I like the fact that
every teacher knows
the students.”*

Bryony

Students in Year 7 and Year 8 follow a programme of core and foundation subjects. We have introduced an Accelerated Reading scheme to nurture the love of reading and there is an emphasis on intervention to support literacy and numeracy when required. Students in Years 9 to 11 study a combination of core subjects and Options.

Cape Cornwall School places a high value on developing our students' moral, cultural and social understanding and the wider education of children 'beyond the classroom'. We believe the well-being of young people is so important that we are dedicating one afternoon of school time, on Thursday during Week A, to our 'Be Inspired' programme of extra-curricular activities.

The library is a hub of learning throughout the day and our desire to promote digital literacy is underpinned by the availability of several IT suites and use of IT for communication with parents and sharing of homework. Feedback is routinely given to students and shared with families at student progress evenings and through two reports per year.

CARING... FOR ONE ANOTHER

We are role models in all that we do, we encourage social responsibility and care for others. We can impact on our local community, the environment and the wider world through our actions. We will lead with positive values and act with integrity and honesty, skills that will help our students succeed in life and make a positive contribution to society. Our ethos of concern for student well-being





begins in the transition process. Staff visit primary schools and prospective students can attend taster days. We welcome Year 7 on the first day alongside Year 11, who can act as 'buddy support' on the first day of the year to help them settle in. The system of tutoring allows students to support one another with the form tutor as first point of contact to oversee student welfare.

"The school cares for its pupils well."

OFSTED 2017

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DREAM... WITH HIGH ASPIRATIONS

Open to new challenges and experiences, whilst being creative and innovative, solve problems, seek solutions and will not give up when faced with challenges.

We seek to offer an environment that is happy, secure and caring, of high aspiration and in which students can take pride in their achievements.



BELIEVE...
IN OURSELVES



Through being inquiring, determined and motivated, we will make a positive contribution and take ownership of our own learning.

Creativity, challenge and enjoyment are central to our success. A broad curriculum offer seeks to develop the academic potential of every student to the full, no matter what their starting point.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CURRICULUM

We aim to give every child the very best platform for a lifetime of success through excellent classroom teaching, a broad, balanced and stimulating curriculum, serving individual needs and strong pastoral support.

Our teachers are passionate about their subjects and make learning challenging, creative and fun. They





encourage every child to exceed expectations.

Students are required to think for themselves, discuss issues responsibly and have a thirst for learning. There is extra support available for all who need it and work in school is supported by homework.

The key focus in ensuring the success of all of our students is excellent relationships. As a small school, knowing our students as individuals, teachers are in a better position to offer feedback, support and encouragement. Through rigorous tracking of individual progress, all students are therefore fully prepared to achieve great exam success.



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Many pupils are choosing a good range of academic courses which prepares them well for further and higher education.”

OFSTED 2017

PERSEVERE... WITH CONFIDENCE AND CHARACTER

Confident in my ability to succeed,
admit when I am wrong,
learn from my mistakes,
take responsibility for my actions
and ask questions to
deepen my understanding.

As well as building transferable skills in our
students, we aim to develop the self-assurance
and strength of character that will help them
succeed in life and to make a positive
contribution to society.



ACHIEVE... EXCELLENCE

Dedicated, committed and with
a great attitude to learning,
enjoying every opportunity,
achieve excellence in all
that we do.

We want those who choose
Cape Cornwall School to be
hard working, to aim high, have
some fun and to aim to do their
very best in everything they do.





HIGH ACHIEVERS

All of our students are entitled to a programme that enables them to flourish and some initiatives are targeted specifically at high academic achievers in order to provide the challenge they need.

Our classroom protocols work in partnership with our High Performance Academy Programme which offers exciting and challenging learning experiences to help students develop skills, confidence and curiosity.

The school has strong links with a number of local universities and we organise a range of visits, talks and workshops for students to attend.

We actively promote STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) based careers and invite representatives from a variety of professions, including legal and medical, to come and talk to our students to raise their aspirations.

EXTRA CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES ...BE INSPIRED

All students are encouraged to take part in extra-curricular activities as a valuable addition to their studies. We offer a varied programme of activities to enable students to follow their passions, develop their teamwork, learn new skills and enhance their leadership abilities.

With the large range of clubs available, there are many opportunities for students to develop their sporting and creative talents. Students are able to put their sporting skills to the test through regular inter-house and inter-school fixtures and our highly-anticipated annual sports day.

Our 'Be Inspired' programme offers students a choice of workshops chosen to broaden students' experiences and opportunities. Using an afternoon of school time for extracurricular activities benefits our students and is a model used by many 'top schools'. The programme includes sports, outdoor learning, projects which develop leadership and teamwork and will encourage all students to try something new.

Many students take advantage of music tuition which is offered across a wide range of instruments. There are also opportunities for students to perform, including the school production, a Christmas music event and other times in the school calendar such as the summer Creative Arts Celebration evening.

Life at Cape Cornwall School is further enriched by educational day trips and residential stays. We regularly organise visits to the school by authors, athletes, artists, scientists and business leaders, with the intention of inspiring students to aim high.



CREATIVE ARTS

The Creative Arts Faculty is a thriving faculty comprising of Art, Design Technology, Food and Music. We strive to provide a high quality arts education for all students through a specialist and combined curriculum.

Curriculum lessons in the creative arts cover a diverse range of topics in an engaging and practical way, enabling students to develop their creativity, knowledge and understanding of the arts and transferable life long skills.

All students study each of the subjects in Key Stage 3 and each of the subjects can be continued as a GCSE course at Key Stage 4.

Students will find a huge range of extra-curricular activities to get involved in within the 'Splatastic' club from Art prosthetics to Djing with Ableton Live and have opportunities to participate in showcases and exhibitions, concerts, performances, in and outside school.



ACCELERATED READING

Reading is something that helps children develop their vocabulary, become more knowledgeable and articulate their thoughts and ideas more clearly. Our highly successful Accelerated Reader Programme is designed to help students in Year 7 and 8 improve their reading ages.

Students are expected to have a reading book in school at all times and are given the opportunity to read for 20 minutes a day. They also have the opportunity to be rewarded through the school's merit system, especially when they complete and pass quizzes based on the books they are reading.

Parents can also get involved by encouraging children to read whenever possible and have conversations with them about the books they are reading.



“Students who attend the ‘Kites’ resource base flourish because the staff ensure that they receive well planned care to meet their individual needs. Their personal development needs are addressed effectively and this allows them to engage in their learning.”

OFSTED 2017

ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL

“Kites” is an Area Resource Base (ARB) for students with complex additional learning needs who have an Education Health and Care Plan. Our students have an individual programme of support and are given places through consultation with the Local Authority SEND panel.

“Kites” is a nurturing, caring environment which supports students with their bespoke educational package to ensure incredible progress, academically and in terms of confidence, social and emotional development and wellbeing. Students have access to the fantastic resources Cape, as a mainstream school, has to offer.

Students in “Kites” have the opportunity to study at all levels of qualifications including GCSEs, BTEC, AQA Unit Awards and entry level certificates.



SPORT

All students are encouraged to develop their own competitive and active lifestyle through the use of school sport and leadership.

The Physical Education department at Cape Cornwall School offers students a vast array of sport options. Very inclusive Ability Counts and Project Ability events are always attended.

All the major and minor NGB events including everything from rugby to athletics are attended at county and regional level including all schools' games events.

The school also has a fantastic leadership programme in place with BTEC students leading multi-skills festivals for primary students and Cape students applying their skills at Primary Schools' sports days.



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I play hockey and have done for 9 years representing school, club, county and the South West regional area. School has recognised and supported my success throughout my journey”

Josh



DUKE OF EDINBURGH

Not all learning happens in the classroom. Young people need other experiences to become committed, responsible and fulfilled citizens of the world. The Duke of Edinburgh Award

provides students with the chance to develop their endurance and enhance their abilities through an exciting programme of volunteering, physical activities and skill based tasks. Students have the opportunity to join the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme in Year 9 at Bronze level and can then progress through Silver level in Year 10 and Gold at a later date.



TRURO AND PENWITH ACADEMY TRUST

Cape Cornwall School is a member of Truro and Penwith Academy Trust. Within the Trust there are over 20 schools, primary and secondary, working together to ensure the highest possible standards of education for children. We work in close partnership with our primaries and local secondary schools, sharing training, facilities and staff skills. The Trust have a strong track record of rapid and sustained school improvement, drawing on the expertise of Cornwall Teaching School and Truro and Penwith College.

TPAT is committed to protecting and preserving the unique identity and ethos of each member school; supported by the school's Local Governing Body. The Trust also provides a wealth of expertise in school management, health and safety and financial management ensuring that school staff can focus on their main priority: providing the very best education for our students. As a member of TPAT, Cape Cornwall School is strongly positioned to provide the very highest standards of education now and in the future.



More information about Truro and Penwith Academy Trust is available on their website, www.tpatacademytrust.org

We value close working relationships between parents, students, the local community and school.
If you would like to find out more about us or visit to see the school in action,
we would be pleased to make an appointment with you.



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