

Hello Everyone,

How is it that it's Friday already? It seems the days are whizzing by!

This week we welcomed back Mrs Roberts and subsequently our Nursery students into school. On Wednesday the students came in with parents for a familiarisation visit, I am not sure who was more anxious, the students or the parents! By all accounts they have settled into the school routines and have done very well. We all wish them well for a great first year here at TBS.



(New Nursey)



Voting

Friday it was voting day for our Year 11 students to put themselves forward for Head Students. Well done to all six candidates who were brave enough to step up. All staff and students voted and after a closely fought battle our Head Student for this year is Kaia Reynolds-Lawrence and Deputy Head Student is Molly Duncan. Congratulations to both students! We now have a full student council, led by Mr Kimber and Mrs Drinkwater and I very much look forward to working with them over the coming year. Also, on Friday our House Captains were nominated by Mr Duncan and Mrs O'Dean, well done to all students. Good Luck to you all as you take on your new Leadership roles.





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(Below: AIG Facilities & Operations Team & Encompass Digital Media)



House Points

Congratulations to all in Elliotts House! The house cup was retained this week by Elliotts, our stars of the week were Matthew in Primary and Tanzi in Secondary! Well done to both students.



Jeans 4 Genes

Thank you to all the companies taking part in last week's Jeans for Genes day. We raised a grand total of **£445** which will be sent off to the charity. Here are the last of the photos of participating companies. Thank you once again; your support is greatly appreciated!



(Sure Ascension)



Upcoming dates for this term:

Friday 3rd October – Teacher Appreciation Day
Friday 17th October – Harvest Assembly
Sunday 19th October – Sports Day.

That's it for now!

Tania Maggott
Head Teacher

Greetings from Year 11

Hello everyone...another school year and yes! It's our final year of compulsory schooling here at Two Boats School. Wow...where have those years gone? We can remember like it was just only yesterday, our first tearful days of school full of the unknown and here we are now, having had our 'last first day back' of our final year. As we embark on this final year, we look forward to the year ahead working hard and aiming to achieve our best and getting ready to face the world of work.

We ended our penultimate year by completing two weeks of Work Experience at various organisations around the island. We would like to extend our thanks to these organisations for welcoming and giving us the opportunity to gain insight into your daily careers.

My two weeks of work experience was a rewarding experience that helped me grow both personally and professionally. For my first week I went to the Mitie Admin team and for my second week I went to the Encompass Engineering team. I learnt quite a lot in both weeks. I met new people and got to understand how they operate at work. I really enjoyed my time with the Mitie Admin team as a lot of the work was computer-based or paperwork. My time with the Encompass Engineering team clearly showed I'm not interested in engineering as a future option. However, both weeks helped me find my interests in work and I appreciated the opportunity. - Kaelyn



My two weeks of work experience were a fascinating glimpse into the world of Finance and the Marine life around Ascension Island. Week 1 was at AIG Finance Department. I found this a really rewarding experience because I learned quite a few things there such as tax and invoicing. My colleagues were a really friendly group of people and I enjoyed learning about Finance. Week 2 was with the Marine Team at Conservation. This was interesting as I got to understand more about the biodiversity of Ascension's waters. I also got to go to Shelley Beach to see some unique shrimp and at the Conservation Centre observed a giant tuna head being cut open! - Cohen





My two weeks of work experience was very fascinating and stimulating and I think it was a good experience for me. For the first week, I went to Encompass and joined the Admin team. I got to see and understand what it's like to work in an office and I think I might be leaning towards this in the future. For my second week of work experience, I went to Mitie and I got to experience what it's like to work in the Ration Store. It was very interesting to see how everything worked and what was done. These experiences definitely gave me an insight as to what I might pursue in the future. - Kaia



My work experience was very interesting, I had a lot of fun with my co-workers and I enjoyed working with them, I would like to go back if I could.

On my first week, I was with Conservation doing a lot of planning for The Green Mountain Party,



which was very well planned. I also went to do the letter box walk which was hard but I managed. I had to get up around 5am and started the walk around 6am. We were able to look at the Frigate birds and observe them from a distance. I also did a

lot of plant work with the plant team to check the plants for any mould or bugs and water the plants. The plant team was very fun to work with.

On my second week I was with MITIE fire which was also a lot of fun. Every day we would check the fire truck for the equipment they might need in case of a fire. I helped with a lot of paper work and even got to help check the hose. On Thursday I got to wear a full fireman suit, we timed it and it took me 2 mins 22secs to put on the fireman outfit. On my last day, I got to put out a fire with the help of the fire team as they showed me how to use the hose and the fire extinguishers.





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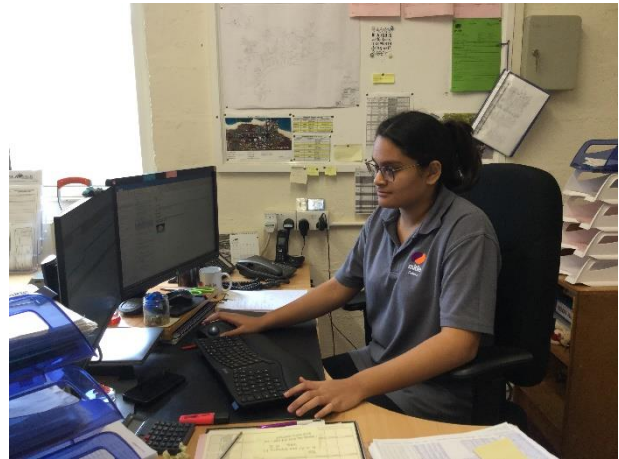
I would like to thank everyone I worked with those past two weeks, I wish you all the very best. - Bella



During my two weeks of work experience, the first at the Post Office and the second at Mitie Admin, I gained a real insight into how a professional environment operates and stepped out of my comfort zone. During my time at the Post Office, I genuinely enjoyed the Philatelic Section (handling stamps), since I quickly realised that dealing with customers wasn't an aspect that I was too keen on.



Whilst I was at Mitie Admin, I raised helpdesk requests, filed work orders and logged staff overtime. Here I understood that teamwork and organisation is key. - Molly



I enjoyed spending my first week of work experience at Encompass, as everyone was fun and friendly and it was interesting to see what goes on in the TX building. I went out into the field with the engineers to check a fault and helped to clean the coils. It was quite overwhelming trying to learn what each thing does within the building.

I really enjoyed spending my second week of work experience with the Conservation Team, as everyone was kind and welcoming and the things they did were fun and mostly active. I was able to go to Shelley Beach to see the unique shrimp pool habitats, I planted some trees and I helped to water plants in various different places.

I also helped to observe cloud activity and record it in a spreadsheet.

Both of these work experiences would be jobs I would be interested in, in the future. - Jacob





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Being a Year 11 student, we are all given the opportunity to be the Head Student or Deputy Head Student. These are exciting and key roles; helping and supporting the student population and being ambassadors for Two Boats School. Six of us (nearly all of the Year 11 form group) bravely pitched why we should be the Head Student. Here is what we each had to say...

Good Morning teachers and fellow students, my name is Cohen and I'm standing here in front of you today and asking for your vote. I would like to become Head Student. I think that I'm a good candidate for this position because I will make sure your opinions are attended to. I understand that this is not just a title to be shown off, but a responsibility to both the students and teachers. I'm here for any new ideas you have on how to make the school a more welcoming and entertaining place for learning. This role requires commitment and I feel that I can put in the time and effort needed for this. I've gone to this school for almost half my life and I'm glad that I have. I feel that I am well connected to this school because of my time here and that, I think, would make me a good candidate for Head Student. I would like to thank you for your support and for listening to me.

Hello my name is Lewis and I am currently running for Two Boats School's Head Student. I would like you to vote for me as I feel I have the potential to make the school a better place, by taking time out for the younger ones, organising more sports events, trying to get more sports equipment and also making it more fun for you. I have never been voted for student council before after the three attempts I had, but going straight to Head Student will be a huge step for me and I hope for a fun journey and a new experience. I'm a very approachable student and I will be happy to hear your opinion no matter what it is. Thank you for your time.

Hello and Good Morning, my name is Kaia. I am a year 11 student and I would like to run for Head Student. I think I would be good for this role, as I am very organised and well prepared for any task. I am friendly and approachable and work well with others. Over the years I have learnt about leadership, and it's not just about being in charge or being the best, it's about having a good heart and always trying your best to do the right thing. I've been part of this school community for 13 years, and I've seen how much potential we have and I believe I can help to make it even better. I am willing to put in the effort to help this school flourish and thrive even more and I am also willing to listen to your voices and help make them heard. I promise you I will do the best that I can to make the words that you say come to life. I think that the role of being head student isn't just a title, but also a commitment to assist, serve and lead by example and to help others, no matter what.

I'm not saying I'm going to grant wishes and miracles, like no homework or a swimming pool in the playground, definitely sounds nice. But I am promising that all your voices will be heard and your thoughts will be taken into consideration. I'm not perfect, and I don't have all the answers. But I do have the passion, the commitment, and the courage to stand up for what matters. And if you give me the opportunity, I will do my very best to help improve your school experience. Please vote for me! Thank you for listening!









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Thank you for listening to me today. Choose me because we all deserve the best of the best.

I believe leadership isn't about being the loudest voice in the room – its about listening. I can't promise perfection but I can promise honesty and leadership. Even though I might seem quiet, I am actually friendly, approachable and a good listener. I hope I have persuaded you to have me as your Head Student.

Throughout my years of being on this island, I have grown and learnt how to be responsible and mature while also being kind, funny and approachable. If I become Head Student I will make an effort to hear everyone out and represent everyone's ideas fairly. I would like to be someone who you can approach, whether it's just with a problem, a suggestion or even just for support. Thank you all for listening and I would appreciate it if you vote for me.

	Molly	Cohen	Kaia	Lewis	Bella	Jacob
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