

# Hayle Academy

15<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of all staff and Governors at Hayle Academy, I wanted to write to wish all Hayle Academy students and their families a very happy, safe and relaxing Christmas. Although our focused, academic lessons will continue throughout the week, the Christmas trees are up, Christmas lunches have been served and a distinctly festive cheer has settled over school. Given current national restrictions, we have been unable to offer any Christmas concerts or carol services, however our music department have worked hard with our students to produce an amazing sequence of festive showcases. These are being released through social media, one showcase per day, every day this week and really showcase the talents and hard work of a broad range of our students. I really hope parents and carers will share our pride in our fantastic young people. You can access the showcases via our Facebook page here:

<https://www.facebook.com/hayleacademy/> or alternatively our Twitter feed here:

<https://twitter.com/hayleacademy> . Why not like or follow us so that you receive our news and announcements as they are released? Do check back later in the week to see all the performances. Friday's, in particular, left me speechless. I am incredibly privileged to be able to work with such a talented group of students.

In addition to this, a number of our students will be representing us at Cornwall's Christmas Festival of Youth Music. This takes place online on Wednesday night and information, including links to watch the festival online, are below. The links will go live about 10 minutes before 6.30 with an introductory live performance starting at 6.25pm. You can join the concert here:

<https://themediasuite.vids.io/videos/069ddfb31d1debce8f/lowender-nadelik-live-from-st-marys> .

Finally, over the course of this week students have been taking part in House sports competitions – students have approached these with passion, determination and an admirable will to win. We look forward to sharing the results of the competition during our end of term celebrations on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. A reminder to parents and carers that students will have an earlier finish of 12:15 that day. School buses have been rearranged for this finish time for those students that take the bus home.

I do hope the festive period, despite bubble restrictions and varying national tiers, will be a safe and happy one for all students and their families and I very much look forward to welcoming students back on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January. Students will start the day on 5<sup>th</sup> January with their tutors, who will outline updates and amendments to our ways of working, including providing new timetables for students so they can attend lessons in the proper subject rooms.

Yours faithfully  
Simon Horner  
Head of School



## Cornwall's Christmas Festival of Youth Music

With Emma Gill from BBC Radio Cornwall

# Lowender Nadelik!

Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup> 6.30 - 7.15pm

A free live-streamed event from St. Mary's Church, Penzance, weaving together a celebratory mix of pre-recorded videos, live performance and feedback.

Enjoy the richness of youth music from across Cornwall and beyond, including music performed by Cornwall Youth Orchestra, Cornwall County Youth Choirs, primary and secondary school groups and other youth music ensembles from across the county.

Join us online using either of these links:



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[www.penleecolour.org.uk/concerts-and-music/live-stream-events-st-marys-pz/](http://www.penleecolour.org.uk/concerts-and-music/live-stream-events-st-marys-pz/)



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