

Welcome

It has been another busy week at Paignton Academy. Some of our highlights this week have been the visit from professional Footballer, Tom Lapslie. Huge thanks to Mr Lovering for organising this for our students. Can I also congratulate Scarlett in Year 10 whose fantastic design will now be proudly on display in all TSAT schools after winning the We Are One World Earth Day Art competition!

Wishing you all a restful weekend, *Mr Williams*

Poppy Appeal 2024



Jack, a Year 8 student at Paignton Academy, has been an exceptional supporter of the The Royal British Legion - Paignton Branch. Since the age of 4, he has actively contributed to raising over £20,000. Additionally, he has been raising funds for Cancer Research, inspired by the loss of his Grandad to the disease.

As the Poppy Appeal approaches, Jack will be assisting his father in selling poppies and merchandise at Paignton Asda. If you see them, your support in raising funds for this important cause is greatly appreciated.

A heartfelt congratulations to Jack for his unwavering commitment and tireless efforts!



Devon Cricket - U12 Level

During the summer, George Russell, Year 8, proudly represented Devon Cricket at the U12 level. He played 6 games and also took on the role of Captain.

George excelled as the top run scorer in his age group, achieving an impressive high score of 60 not out.

His club, Paignton, competed in the National Cup at U13 level, with the team comprising Lewis from Year 9, George from Year 8 and Oliver from Year 7. Although they made it to the Devon final, they narrowly missed out by 7 runs.

George is currently in the trial process for the County for the upcoming year.

Aside is a photo of George after he scored his 60 not out for Devon vs Somerset!

Well done George, on your achievement! We always love to hear about the successes of all our students.

World Earth Day Poster

You may recall our Paignton Academy student, Scarlett, who won the #weareoneworldearthday Art competition last term. Scarlett's beautiful design has been transformed into a stunning banner! Each secondary school in the TSAT - Thinking Schools Academy Trust will be receiving a copy to proudly display. Congratulations to Scarlett on her outstanding design!



Duke of Edinburgh Award Exciting News for Year 9 and Above!

Due to a busy start to the academic year, the Duke of Edinburgh Award programme will start a little later than planned. However, we are still excited to announce that it will soon be open for students in Year 9 and above!

Join us for assemblies in mid-October to learn more about this fantastic opportunity. After the assemblies, we will be hosting a taster evening where students can get a first-hand look at what the programme entails.

Stay tuned for more details and get ready to embark on an incredible journey of personal development and adventure!



Netball Success

Year 10 and 11 girls played in the local central venue league against 5 other schools.

They performed excellently throughout the evening, showing great cohesion on court, strong defensive play to win turnovers and accurate passing in attack.

They finished with some amazing shooting in the circle. The girls convincingly won all their games, topping their pool overall.

Well done ladies and an excellent start to the Netball season here at Paignton Academy!



Visit from Tom Lapslie

Paignton Academy was delighted to host a visit and Q&A session with professional footballer, Tom Lapslie. Fifty students had the privilege of meeting him, asking excellent questions and winning fantastic prizes, including raffled Torquay United FC products and tickets.

Additionally, some students took advantage of the opportunity to have Tom sign their Torquay United FC shirts and merchandise.

Congratulations to Caiden, Logan, Selina, and Oli for winning prizes in the raffle.

A big thank you to Tom Lapslie for taking the time to come in and inspire our students!



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Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 1st October	Open Morning - Waterleat Road
Thursday 3rd October	Open Evening - Borough Road Centre
	Year 11 photos
Tuesday 8th October	Year 7 Settling-in Evening
Tuesday 15th October	KS4 Aspirations Evening
28th October - 4th November inclusive	Half Term
Wednesday 13th November - Friday 22nd November	Year 11 PPEs
Thursday 12th December	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas concert
Friday 20th December	Last day of the Autumn term