

Welcome

As we come to the end of the first term, I want to thank all parents/guardians and of course our wonderful pupils for all of their support during the last 8 weeks. The first two terms are always the longest and most challenging as we start off all refreshed after a long summer holidays and then move into Autumn and Winter with the change in the weather and the shorter days. Despite this, the pupils in the Academy continue to amaze me with their commitment and hard work both in and out of the classroom. Soon after half term, our Year 11 pupils will be starting the first round of their mock GCSEs. These are exceptionally important events and it is important that our senior students are preparing and revising thoroughly for them: the more work that is put in now, the easier it will be for Round 2 of the exams in 2025 and the final exams in the Summer. Good luck to all of our Year 11 pupils!

A reminder as well that school starts back for all pupils on Tuesday 5th November at the normal time of 8:30. Wishing all of our parents/guardians and pupils a relaxing half term break. Best wishes, *Mr Williams*

Girls Football Festival

A team of Year 8 and Year 9 students won all three matches they played at a Girls' Festival held at Coach Road in Newton Abbot.

Their victories included a 4-0 win against Combe Pafford and another 4-0 triumph over Exmouth Community College. Selina scored all nine of the team's goals, earning her the title of star player.

Go, girls!



Paignton Academy

Please like and follow our Facebook and Instagram pages to keep up to date with Paignton Academy's news.



Fantastic School Canteen



A big shout out to our fantastic school canteen at the Waterleat Road site!

This week, the Food Standards Agency paid us a visit and gave us a wonderful food hygiene rating of 5!

To grab some tasty lunch, students can keep their ParentPay accounts topped up or use the cash machines in our canteens. Enjoy!

Football Tournament

HOLDERS Paignton Academy successfully defended their title, bringing home the winners' medals once again from a Year 6/7 six-a-side Football Tournament in Newton Abbot.

In June, Paignton came from behind to defeat Combe Pafford in the final held at the Devon FA's Coach Road headquarters. As the students from that championship team moved up to Year 8, a new squad was assembled to continue their legacy. This new team rose to the challenge, emerging victorious after a tense 3-2 penalty shootout against a strong side from Orchard Manor School, with the match ending in a 1-1 draw.

Oliver maintained his composure to score the decisive penalty kick.

Both Dexter and Roman—who had equalised with his eighth goal of the tournament—also converted their penalties during the shootout.

Well done boys!



After School Dance Club Fun!

Last week at our Dance Club, we had a fantastic time exploring various dance styles.

In the image below, some of the girls are trying out cheerleading moves. Be sure to check out our Facebook page for the video!

We also focused on solo performances, worked on a group piece and practiced mastering new skills.

Students from all year groups are warmly welcome to join the Dance Club, which meets after school on Thursdays at the Borough Road Dance Studio.



Duke of Edinburgh

A huge shout-out to our incredible Duke of Edinburgh students!

Thanks to your fantastic fundraising efforts in the last academic year, we raised an amazing £91.36!

Even better, this amount was matched by the wonderful charity Rapaaid Emergency Bandages effectively doubling the impact of your hard work.

Together, we equipped five taxis in the Torbay area with Rapaaid's life-saving emergency bandages.

Well done!

Let's continue to push boundaries and support great causes!



Dates for Your Diary

Friday 25th October	Last day of school before half term
28th October - 4th November inclusive	Half Term
Wednesday 13th November - Friday 22nd November	Year 11 PPEs
Thursday 12th December	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Friday 20th December Last day of the Autumn term	

Night At The Musicals

Paignton Academy is thrilled to announce that our students will be presenting "A Night at the Musicals."

Please refer to the poster below for further details. Tickets are available for purchase through the ParentPay shop on our school website.



THINKING SCHOOLS
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Paignton Academy
Faculty of Creative Arts presents:
Night At The Musicals

Tuesday 12th November 2024
6.30 pm
Performing Arts Centre
Waterleat Road

Ticket price is £4 and refreshments will be available on the evening

A night of musicals throughout the decades. There will be singing and dancing from different musicals spanning from the 1960s all the way up to the 2020s. Be ready to be amazed by our fantastically talented students for the evening!