



**PAIGNTON  
COMMUNITY &  
SPORTS ACADEMY**

# PAIGNTON ACADEMY NEWS DECEMBER 2015



**PRINCE HARRY  
MEETS STUDENTS**

## PROUD STUDENTS MEET PRINCE HARRY

On 7th October Prince Harry visited Paignton Rugby Club in his role as patron of the All Schools Rugby programme which was launched in 2012. Our Year 8 rugby players were invited to the club to meet the Prince. Prince Harry spent time talking to the boys and watching them during a training game. Miss English said "The Prince was charming and very relaxed with the students, taking time to pose with them for the photographers."



**CHILDREN IN NEED  
ASPIRE STUDENTS'  
FUNDRAISERS**

## BRITISH RECORD BROKEN BY 6TH FORMER

Year 13 student Allen Davis has broken the most remarkable record. Allen, who is still only 17 but stands at 6 foot 5 tall and weighs 17 stone, is currently competing in power lifting, training on a daily basis. In early November he revealed his true potential and impressed the entire South West power lifting scene by breaking a British record. Allen has become the strongest seventeen year old boy ever to dead lift in the UK. We wish him all the best and hope to celebrate further success with him.



**BRITISH RECORD BROKEN**

## £1159 RAISED FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

Aspire 6th Form students did a brilliant job with the organisation and delivery of events for Children in Need. In total they raised over £130. Events included a sponsored silence, cake sale, raffle, car wash, hair styling and a table tennis competition and a FIFA tournament. Special thanks go to Tamla Stevens, Stephanie Candlish, Alisha Hughes, Amber Mulley and Samantha Ball. Sam Alfieri was the winner of the table tennis tournament and won his own personal table tennis bat!

Students in Year 7 spent the week baking hundreds of cakes at home to bring in and sell for Children in Need. Miss Pugh's and Miss Coombes' classes managed to raise an extremely impressive £104.

Students from the Business/ICT pathway collected gifts for donation to the shoebox appeal. Special thanks must go to everyone who supported the students and the activities.

## STUDENTS STEAL THE SHOW

The 8th annual panto, 'Sleeping Beauty', has been another roaring success. The cast is the youngest we've ever had, with students from Years 7 - 11 showcasing the wonderful talent we have at the Academy.

Leading roles were taken by KS4 students studying GCSE Drama: a stunning performance by Beth Thompson as Sleeping Beauty; Fairy Lilac, Leila Parry; Dame, Jon Warren; Muddles, Matthew Clark; and Prince Rupert, our Head Boy, Will Shepherd.

It was an exciting evening, filled with fun, laughter, song and dance - a perfect start to the Christmas season.



**SLEEPING BEAUTY**

# REWARDS

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH - SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



LEWIS BELL



KATIE WRIGHT



TOM DINGLEY



CALLY WILSON



BARNABY  
TYRRELL



KATHRYN  
BOWDEN

Our winners for September are  
Year 7 Lewis Bell  
Year 8 Cally Wilson  
Year 9 Barnaby Tyrrell  
Year 10 Katie Wright  
Year 11 Kathryn Bowden  
Aspire 6th form Tom Dingley

Our winners for October are  
Year 7 Natasha Watts  
Year 8 Autumn Ettles  
Year 9 Sam Gosling  
Year 10 Dominik Sipos  
Year 11 Ryan Berlyn  
Aspire 6th form Georgina Scott



Well done to all those who were nominated.

## VIVO *Thanks*

### RT HAIR OFFER VIVO PRIZES

The Academy would like to thank RT Hair in Paignton who have kindly donated vouchers for Year 11 students and Aspire 6th formers. Students in these Year groups will be able to exchange their VIVO points for one of the 6 vouchers which will be highly sought after.

### PAIGNTON ZOO VIVO PRIZE

We would like to thank Paignton Zoo for their kind offer of a family ticket for Paignton Zoo. This will go into the shop for Year 7 – 13 to save for and swap in.

### TOP VIVO EARNERS:

- Year 7 - Dina Kharel with 247
- Year 8 - Holly Appleby with 443
- Year 9 - Harry Thompson with 400
- Year 10 - Jessica Clayton with 347
- Year 11 - Kathryn Bowden with 386
- Aspire - Linnea Byrne with 398



### VIVO FEVER!

Over 270 students in the Academy have received the prizes they ordered from the Vivo shop. Students have been working hard to secure VIVO points and Academy staff have issued over 134,996 points so far this year. All these students ordered these items before half term. Many pupils are saving their points for higher valued items and will need to keep an eye on their totals.

If you would like more information or the parents/guardian log in to the VIVO system please email [vivo@paigntonacademy.org](mailto:vivo@paigntonacademy.org).





## PURE POETRY

Last year, a number of our students entered a poetry writing competition, called Poetopia.

It is with huge pride that we can announce that the following students have been chosen to have their poems published in Young Writers forthcoming anthology Poetopia – Southern Poet, due to be published on 31st December 2015.

Congratulations to William Arthur, Chloe George, Elle-Mae Forkes, Erin Kingsley, Mia Robins, Eve Newman, Lexie Regan, Eloise Taylor, Isabelle Roper, Kelsea Styler, Caitlin Langley, Ellie Hoad, Blake Neal, Tabitha Bickerton, Devlin Dart, Isabella Morrison, Georgina Bickerton, Keeley Quaintance, Elise Warren, Hollie Brown, Jewel Johnson, Kayleigh Minchinton-Hogarth, Mason Wasdell and Olivia Irving.

## EXETER UNIVERSITY PROGRESSION

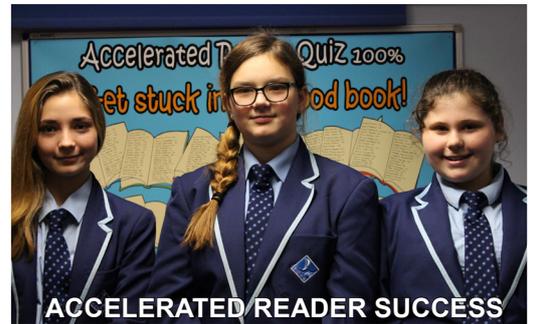
Aspire 6th Form students were invited to meet with Jenny Rusk from the University of Exeter (Widening Participation and Student Recruitment Assistant) to hear more about the Exeter Progression Programme. Congratulations to Lucy Sutherland, Gary Waller, Georgina Scott and Bryony Costin who have been offered a place on the programme.

“Exeter Progression provides a fantastic opportunity for eligible students to gain an insight into what it is like to study at a leading university like Exeter. Those students that are successful in gaining a place are being recognised for their academic achievements to date and for the potential that we believe they have to go on and build on these in the future.”

## ONE MILLION WORDS ACHIEVED IN ACCELERATED READER

Since September all students at Key Stage 3 have been taking part in the Accelerated Reader Scheme. To date 1,826 books and 35,130,874 words have been read across the Key Stage. Four pupils have read more than a million words each; Year 9, Chloe Hall with 2.2 million and Izzy Sellars with 2.1 million. Year 8 Tamzin Rowe 1.6 million and Holly Bullock 1.2 million. Congratulations to all of them. This is a wonderful achievement in such a short time.

It is great to hear pupils talking about books, recommending books to other pupils and generally discussing books around school. We would like to thank parents for their continued support and encouragement with Accelerated Reader. Hopefully our list of word millionaires will soon grow.



ACCELERATED READER SUCCESS

## REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE



## STUDENTS SHOW THEIR APPRECIATION TO THE FORCES

All three BET Academies, Kings Ash, Curlidge Street and Paignton Community and Sports Academy, attended the Remembrance Day service at Paignton Parish Church on Sunday afternoon. The service conducted by Roger Carlton, in partnership with the Royal British Legion, was, as always, very well attended. When the service ended the congregation marched through the town to the War Memorial in Palace Avenue where student representatives from each of the Academies laid a wreath.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY POEM BY COURTNEY SEDGBEER-HATTON YEAR 8

We shall remember them,  
They are our gems,  
Marching through the trenches,  
Over two hundred and fifty thousand men.

Families not knowing when their loved ones are coming home.

Day and night every day,  
Your loved ones pray and pray,  
For all of you to come back safe,  
Hoping you haven't left the human race.

Past fighters we remember you,  
But we don't forget,  
All the new ones too,  
Who have and haven't come home yet.

As we stand in silence,  
To honour past and new,  
You have helped us dearly,  
And we will remember you



IT MOCK INTERVIEW DAY

## MOCK INTERVIEW DAY

The Business and ICT Pathway Leader, Mr Lewis organised a 'mock' interview day for students who are studying the Level 3 Pathway. Their brief was to apply for the position of an IT Technician at the Academy, this involved the students experiencing the full interview process. Mr Lewis was very impressed with the calibre of students and their contribution to the event. Congratulations to the following students: winner for achievement: Georgia Veysey and winner for effort: Chloe Bassett.

## CREATIVE WRITERS TAKE A TRIP TO INSPIRING GREENWAY

A group of 15 Year 9 budding English Literature students visited Agatha Christie's holiday home. During the visit the students learnt about the work of the National Trust, the history of the property and one of the UK's most famous writers. After a tour of the house and a closer look at some of her belongings, students participated in a creative writing workshop which was delivered by lecturing staff from the University of Exeter.



CREATIVE WRITERS AT GREENWAY

## YEAR 7 OLAF ASSEMBLY

History lessons saw the students using their investigation skills to solve the untimely melting of the beloved Frozen character, Olaf. The detectives had to study clues from the scene of the crime and read the statements from the six suspects, putting together the evidence and deciphering the truth. Year 7 were called to an emergency assembly for the big reveal. Led by Miss Brown, Mr Williams and Miss Coombes, the students cast their vote and a video presentation created by talented You Tuber Year 9, Sam Gosling, proved that the supposedly sweet and innocent Rapunzel was the killer. Cheers of relief could be heard down the corridors with the students singing their rendition of 'Let it Go'.



Y7 OLAF ASSEMBLY

# NEWS

## YEAR 9 WELCOME ROYAL MARINES

Year 9 students were treated to an exciting day filled with lots of motivational, team building and fun exercises. Students were set a variety of practical challenges and worked well as a team to find solutions to the problems that they were set. The final part of the day concluded with a presentation on life in the services and what a Royal Marine does. For further information log onto: [www.royalnavy.mod.uk/RoyalMarines](http://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/RoyalMarines).



ROYAL MARINES VISIT  
YEAR 9



WINTER DANCE PERFORMANCE

## DANCE FEVER

Year 10 BTEC Dance and Year 11 GCSE Dance students performed on the 27th November for the Winter Dance Performance, when they were also assessed as part of their course.

The evening was a great success with a generous audience attending and an array of talent on display. Students choreographed and performed their own pieces based on a wide range of ideas including Christmas Adverts, Apartheid, Voodoo and the crumbling Miss Havisham.



ON AIR

RADIO CLUB

## RADIO CLUB IS A HIT

Students are currently learning how to make a radio show and developing their production skills, and will be completing their first show which they will post on the website. Radio shows are made weekly which include music, entertainment, Academy news and information on upcoming events. This club is a great way to introduce skills needed for live presenting and confidence building. If you would like to attend please see Mr Robins or Miss Keene in EM20 at Borough Road.



Y10 AT PAIGNTON ZOO

## YEAR 10s OFF TO PAIGNTON ZOO

As part of their GCSE Art & Design course, it is important for students to record first hand observations. GCSE students are currently working on a 'Natural Forms' based project as part of their coursework. During November the Year 10 Art & Design groups visited Paignton Zoo to draw a series of animals and plants using a range of different materials & techniques to enhance their portfolios.

## WARBURTONS SUPPORTS PCSA STUDY CLUB

Since September the Academy has been running a Breakfast Study Club every morning in the Waterleat Road Library for Years 7 - 9. Students have enjoyed getting ahead on their homework, supported by teaching staff in a positive and encouraging environment. The Academy has been supported by Warburtons who have generously provided bread, crumpets and pancakes for the students' breakfast which are free of charge. The Study Club runs every morning from 7.50am to 8.25am at Waterleat Library and if you sign in before 8.10am you get a free breakfast as well as an important VIVO point.

## BREAKFAST CLUB



## BRIGHT FUTURES ENTERPRISE DAY 2015

One hundred of our enterprising Year 9 students took part in this fast paced and interactive day. From the outset Paignton Academy students welcomed John Fernley and Stuart Kinghorn with great humour and maturity. "I thought this activity was most helpful because it made us think about working with other people that we would not normally work with" - Emily Summers, 9M2, who would like a career working in a caring environment. "The day was useful because I now know more about running a business, how important money is and how it affects the business with the decisions that you make" - Joel Lavender, 9E3, who would like to take over the family business one day.



ENTERPRISE DAY



**IMPORTANT DATES FOR ASPIRE 6TH FORM**  
Parents Evening - Thursday January 21st 2016  
Open Evening for Year 11 - Wednesday January 27th



# Devon Table Tennis

## Champions

### 2015



# SPORT

### YEAR 8 BOYS DEVON TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONS

The U13 table tennis team of Brandon Lewis, Harrison Grainger, Herbie Sage and Charlie Ward were superb as they swept to victory in all of their group matches in the Devon Team Table Tennis Championship before toppling reigning champions, Okehampton, in the final. This is a huge success for the Academy and the team will represent Devon at the regional finals in February. Well done to all the team members who took part and congratulations to our new County Champions.



### FIVE ACADEMY STUDENTS GAIN SELECTION FOR SOUTH DEVON

A huge congratulations to all the Cross Country runners who represented the Academy at this year's South Devon schools competition at Stover. Well done to all, it was a great team effort, we wish Charlie Rowe, Brooke Coldwell, Charlie Ward, Owen Coldwell and Sam Woodcock all the best for the next round.



GIRLS' RUGBY

### ITV NEWS ATTEND THE YEAR 7S FIRST RUGBY GAME

The first Year 7 All Schools Rugby event has taken place with an exhilarating afternoon at Paignton Rugby Club. Both teams performed admirably and the squad accomplished 4 great wins, demonstrating fantastic resilience, talent, teamwork and leadership. Paignton Rugby Club's U12 coach was on hand to select potential players. Training has been held on Wednesday nights, with regular games. All students are welcome. Pictures of the event can be found on the CBRE website, <http://rugby.cbre.co.uk/>

### GIRLS' RUGBY

The All Schools Rugby programme delivered an inspiring development session to selected KS3 female students from South Devon Schools. Our Academy boasted an impressive 10 girls, whose skills and determination were put to the test during some intense and rigorous activities, delivered by England appointed coaches at Paignton Rugby Club. Any girls interested in taking part in Rugby are invited to join the rugby club at Waterleat Road after school on Thursdays.



Y8 - LEAGUE CHAMPIONS



### LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

The Year 8 Rugby team are celebrating after extending their unbeaten run in the South Devon Championship league by beating Newton Abbot College, 28-17 in the final, to become League Champions. With a healthy squad of over 22 players it was a delight to see Leon Qirraqi, Oscar Williams, Morgan Harris, Adrian Heaps and Harrison Grainger all make their debuts with significant contributions. Well done to the whole team.

### EXETER CHIEFS SUPER SATURDAY

Forty four students from the Year 7 and Year 8 rugby teams were lucky enough to attend a Super Saturday at Exeter Chiefs on the 28th of November. The fantastic day involved a morning of elite training sessions, taken by the Exeter players, followed by a tour of the ground. Our students were then on hand to form the guard of honour as the premiership players ran out on to the pitch and at half time take part in a celebration lap in front of 12,000 fans. The day was even more special as Exeter went on to beat Harlequins and many students were able to meet the players for autographs after the game, including England super stars such as Jack Nowell. A huge thanks to Mr Smith for organising the trip and the staff who attended.



EXETER CHIEFS SUPER SATURDAY

# SPORT

## DEVON FINALS FOR NETBALL TEAM



U16 GIRLS' NETBALL TEAM

After success at the South Devon Tournament, our U16 girls Netball team gained entry to the Devon Finals. In the South Devon Tournament the team played 8 matches back to back and finished runners up to Teign school who were last year's winners. The team to beat: Brixham 14-2, Churston 13-6, Trinity 17-1, Spires 17-4, TGGs 19-3, Kingsbridge 12-9 and Cuthbert Mayne 17-1.

At the Devon Finals, playing the winners from across the county, the team played four matches in pool B. With a 10 – 8 win against Sidmouth and a 7-7 draw against West Buckland the team were playing at a high tempo against the finest teams from across Devon. Narrow losses against Plymstock and Exeter by only two goals on both occasions, meant the girls just missed out on a semi-final place. The team included Phoebe McCaig GK, Imogen Plumridge GD, Sharna Kite WD, Hannah Brown C, Emily Philbin WA, Charlie Plumridge GA, Thalia Kneal GS, Jasmin Milford, Lauren Smith and Georgia Lea.

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH YEAR 11 NAVIGATION

Congratulations to 16 students from Year 11 who completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition Award. Our students walked from Torquay to Shaldon carrying their equipment and food. The expedition required them to be completely self-sufficient, which meant they had no help with the navigation. D of E Assessor, Colin Thomas, said that PCSA students were a credit to the Academy and should be very proud of their achievement.

## YEAR 8 FOOTBALL SUCCESS

Hot shot striker Rhys Moseley produced a stunning individual performance as the Year 8 Football team came from behind to beat a strong St Lukes College (Exeter) side 7-5 in a thrilling National Cup 1st Round tie. Rhys was in simply sparkling form, scoring an incredible 5 goals. Additional strikes from Toby Nolan and Dejay Bolton added gloss to an excellent display. Well done to the whole team.

In the second round the team had another comprehensive victory away at Exmouth College. Additional goals from Ryan McCaskill, Rhys Moseley, Toby Nolan and a terrific long-range pile-driver from captain, Hugo Griffiths, secured an incredible 9-0 win and saw them march on to Round 4 of the English Schools FA competition.

In the third round the team produced a dazzling display to sweep past Tiverton High School and continue their promising English Schools' FA Cup campaign. Dejay Bolton stole the show with a fabulous five goal haul and he was joined on the score sheet by captain Hugo Griffiths, Mason Wasdell and Ryan McCaskill. Gr-eight team work.



Y8 FOOTBALL SUCCESS

## EUROPEAN SILVER MEDALLIST

Congratulations to Ed Simpson in Year 9 who has been taking part in Brazilian Ju-jitsu for the last year and travelled to Wolverhampton to take part in the European Championships. Ed turned 14 in September and he fights in the age category for 14 and 15 year olds. Ed successfully won his way through a number of rounds to enter the final undefeated. Fighting in the under 50KG category Ed ended in second place as European Silver medallist. We are very proud of Ed and his successes in Brazilian Ju-jitsu this year.



SILVER MEDALIST



JU-JITSU SUCCESS

## MORGAN TIMMS MOTOR CROSS CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Morgan in Year 9 who has successfully competed in the Weston Beach Race for the fourth year running, he rode for 1 1/4 hours and out of 150 riders he finished in 34th position. Morgan then went on to ride in the South West MX championship achieving 4th place, and in the South Somerset MX championship coming in 6th overall. Morgan was chosen for the South West team event, which took place in Oxford, competing against other MX clubs up and down the country.



MOTOR CROSS CHALLENGE





# SPORT

## YEAR 7 GIRLS' FOOTBALL

The Year 7 girls' football team had a great start to their season with their first Central Venue League at Teign School. They won 2 of their 3 pool games against Newton Abbot College and Coombeshead Academy. Well done girls.

## "TEN-SATIONAL" START TO 6TH FORM FOOTBALL

PCSA started the game against Churston in confident fashion. Huge credit should be given to the whole team with goals coming from Reece Somers, Callum Bavister and Michael Brown. Powell completed his hat-trick and Jamie Hodge added two goals. A truly excellent start to the season for the PCSA team, who can now take optimism and momentum into their up and coming fixtures.



6TH FORM FOOTBALL

## CANOEING STAR AWARD

Year 12 and 13 outdoor adventure students are working towards their British Canoe Union 2 star award. They have taken part in canoe journeys, learnt a variety of paddle strokes and developed an understanding of planning and safely taking part in a variety of canoe expeditions. A chilly time was had when the students conducted capsizes and rescue drills.



6TH FORM CANOEING AWARD

## YEAR 11 BOYS FUTSAL

The Academy entered two teams in the South Devon U16 futsal competition and both teams showed superb desire and commitment, which was commented on by staff from other schools. The B team showed excellent maturity and sound tactics by rotating and managing themselves throughout the tournament. The A team were unbeaten in the group stages and semi-final. In the final, after drawing 1 all with Torquay Boys' Grammar school, the boys lost 3-2 in a penalty shoot-out, however they will still progress to the next round.



Y11 FUTSAL



## U16 GIRLS FUTSAL TRIUMPH

The U16 girls emerged victorious at the South Devon Futsal Tournament and have successfully progressed to compete at the Devon Championships early next year. The talented squad played a total of 6 games, back to back, without a loss. Well done to the whole team.



U16 GIRLS' FUTSAL



# Merry Christmas

# SPORT



## YEAR 10 BASKETBALL TRIUMPH

PCSA took the win by a single point against a well organised Churston, winning 49-48, in a game that was filled with quality. A fantastic achievement for all involved.



Y10 BASKETBALL TRIUMPH

## PCSA'S FIRST 'C' LEVEL QUALIFIED UMPIRE

Congratulations to Linnea Byrne who has become our first ever 'C' Level qualified netball umpire. Linnea has spent many hours practicing and training over the past year and has travelled miles to attend various courses and assessments during this time. Linnea can now officially umpire league and school matches.



LEVEL C UMPIRE

YOUR SPORTS FIRST NATIONAL TALENT CAMP

## FLYING START FOR YEAR 10 RUGBY

Newly appointed club captain Jack Gay has been leading by example every game and boasts a "clean sheet from line outs". New team members Jamie Morrison and Irah Luke, who arrived from Churston, have fitted in well with Jamie getting the man of the match award for his outstanding performance in the 32-24 defeat against Tower House for text book tackling and aggressive running. There have also been a number of new faces representing the Academy for the first time such as Andy Smith, Dylan Jordan, Colby Matthews, Travis Fenwick and German exchange student Patrick Williams all playing valuable roles within the team.



Y10 RUGBY GET OFF TO A FLYING START



## TORBAY SPORTS AWARDS

## GIRL POWER AT TORBAY SPORTS AWARDS

We are proud to celebrate that thirteen of our most talented female athletes were short-listed for the 2015 prestigious Torbay Sports Awards. Our nominated students were Brooke Coldwell in Year 8, who is a Devon Cross country runner and Gracie Mitchell in Year 7, who is a South West Gymnast with South Devon Gym Club. Both girls were short-listed in the "Promising Young Athlete of the Year" category. Phoebe McCaig, Year 10, and Charlie Thorpe, Year 13, were two of the four nominated volunteers in the "Young Volunteer of the Year" category. This is a testament to their endless hours of sports leadership and volunteering. Finally the Year 10 netball team, who last year were the South Devon Champions, were short-listed in the "Team of the Year" category. The team includes, Thalia Kneal, Charlie Plumridge, Beth Thompson, Georgie lea, Sharna Kite, Kelsey Tupholme, Jasmine Milford, Imogen Plumridge, Phoebe McCaig and Olivia Mayer, Year 9.



YOUNG VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

## TORBAY YOUNG VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR WINNER 2015

The Torbay Sports Awards recognise the top sporting talent from Schools, Community clubs and individual athletes across Torbay. Congratulations go to Charlie Thorpe, Year 13, who was the winner of the Torbay Young Volunteer of the Year, at the 2015 Torbay Sports Awards. Charlie was nominated due to the amazing support she has given to primary festivals, tournaments, festivals and a host of other sporting events across Torbay, over the last few years.

In addition to Charlie, Curlledge Street Academy, part of the Bay Education Trust, won the award for Health Champion of the Year, a superb accolade.

## GIRL POWER

