



PAIGNTON
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ISSUE 2

Believe and Achieve

Academy Celebrates Good OFSTED Result

Staff and students are celebrating a glowing Ofsted report after a two day inspection in early November. Her Majesty's inspection team were extremely positive about what they saw and rated all aspects of the Academy to be, "Good," including the overall effectiveness.

The inspection focused on many aspects such as the quality of leadership and management at all levels and reported, "Senior leaders form a very effective team," and "Leaders at all levels have high expectations of pupil's academic achievement and social behaviour."

When examining the standard of teaching the report found, "Teachers are enthusiastic, motivated and committed to improving their practice, they set targets for pupils which are aspirational."

The report also identified that, "Pupils are confident and articulate. They are able to explain what they are learning about in lessons very clearly, showing that they have a secure grasp of key concepts and ideas."

"Good conduct is the hallmark of the school. Pupils are respectful to their teachers and so good relationships result."

OFSTED, November 2016

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

13 th Jan	UCAS Deadline
19 th Jan	6th Form Open Eve
26 th Jan	Y8 Parents Evening
30 th Jan	Y10 Exams Start
8 th Feb	6th Form Health Education Day
9 th Feb	6th Form Parents' Evening
13 th -17 th Feb	Half Term
23 rd Feb	Y9 Options Evening
2 nd Mar	Y10 Parents' Evening
13 th Mar	Y11 Exams Start
16 th Mar	Y8 Options Evening
20 th Mar	Y7 Exams Start
21 st Mar	Y11 Careers Interviews
31 st Mar	Last Day of Term



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Students Name New Look Newsletter

Students Meet Gold Medal Olympian, Giselle Ansley

Four lucky students from PCSA and three from Curledge Street Academy had the opportunity to meet Gold Medal winner Giselle Ansley, who plays as a defender for the GB Hockey Team.

The students asked some fantastic questions and Giselle was very honest and professional. They all came away from the experience feeling inspired and motivated to follow their dreams!



Giselle Ansley Inspires Students



Harry Thompson and Leah Perry with Paignton Pages

Welcome to Issue 2 of the new look Academy newsletter, which was relaunched earlier this term with a new design and a new name. The 'Paignton Pages' was suggested by Year 10 students, Harry Thompson and Leah Perry.

Exeter Chiefs Super Saturday

Students from Years 7, 8 and 9 Rugby teams were lucky enough to attend a fantastic day at Sandy Park that involved a morning of elite training sessions, taken by the Exeter Chiefs players, followed by an exclusive 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 took part in a celebration lap in front of 12,000 fans. It was a great experience for all those involved.

Exeter Chiefs Super Saturday



Year 7 Camp

Our Year 7 students have now taken part in the Freshers' Camp of 2016. Every Year 7 student has had the opportunity to take part in the camp which takes place in a remote woodland camp, deep in the Dart Valley.

Students take part in a range of activities including canoeing, traditional bushcraft, night walks, fire lighting and challenge themselves on the camp zip wire. Students are guided through the activities with a focus on developing teamwork, leadership and problem solving skills. They are also encouraged to reflect on what they have taken part in with the aim to help students make progress in the future.

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"Across all year groups, especially KS3...pupils are making good progress."



Year 7 Freshers' Camp

PCSA Honours The Fallen

Head Boy, Jack Gay, Head Girl, Annabelle Cairns and Deputies, Lewis Round and Bethany Thompson, attended the Remembrance Day Service at Paignton Parish Church. They were on hand to march through the town, along with the congregation, to the War Memorial in Palace Avenue where they then laid a wreath.

The service was conducted by Rev Roger Carlton in partnership with the Royal British Legion and was, as always, very well attended. It was particularly lovely to see ex-students from the Military also attending the service.



Remembrance Day



AcceleratedTM
Reader

Latest Accelerated Reader Statistics

Across Years 7, 8 and 9 this academic year 28,967,646 words and 1,402 books have been read!

BTEC Music Students Attend Dartington Hall Concert

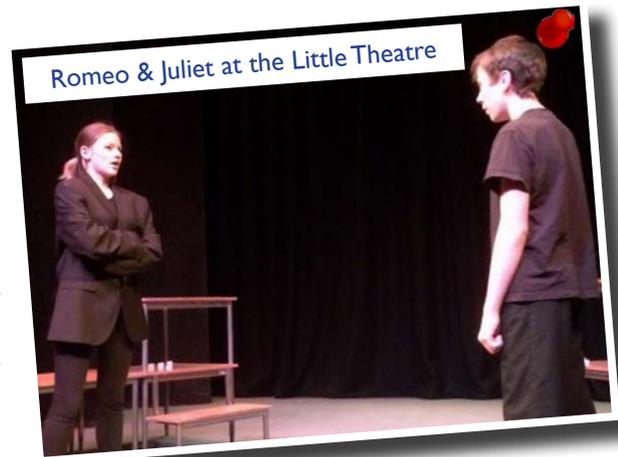


Dartington Hall Concert for Year 10

Year 10 took part in an open rehearsal with New Music SouthWest. They watched a concert for which the music was composed as a response to the renowned sculptor Peter Randell-Page's art. The students also attended a post-concert discussion and listened to the composers and artist discuss music, art and the relationship between the two - an illuminating and engaging experience for the pupils.

Drama Students Perform at the Little Theatre

Year 10 Drama students performed an abridged version of 'Romeo & Juliet' which they have been working hard on since September, both during and after school. For most of these students this was their first public performance and certainly the first time any of them have performed in a theatre. They performed brilliantly!



Romeo & Juliet at the Little Theatre

MacBeth at Toads

Year 10 GCSE Drama students were invited to 'A Shakespeare Festival', hosted by Toads Theatre Company in Torquay. Students took part in a workshop based on 'Macbeth', led by Maggie Campbell and two local actors. The production was colourful, modern and unconventional and students came away with plenty of ideas for their GCSE drama exam and next project.



Year 10 Winter Dance Performance

Winter Dance Performance

'Dance School Dayz' was devised, produced, and choreographed by Year 11 BTEC Dance students, who also starred in the show.

The annual show accounts for one third of the students' final grade for their Level 2 qualification and so also acts as a formal examination for them.

There were also performances by the Year 10 BTEC Dance group and Year 9.

10th Anniversary Pantomime Performance!

Once again the Academy presented a wonderful Christmas Pantomime at the Palace Theatre, featuring a cast of 50 students from across all year groups. The show was as bright and colourful as we have come to expect over the last 9 years, with magnificent costumes, scenery and special effects.



Students Busy with Charity Donations

Students Collect Tins for Anode



The Autumn term has seen our students busy with 3 big charity events:

- In September we launched Operation Christmas Child – where students filled 47 boxes full of Christmas gifts for the Samaritan's Purse, which will make a big impact to children's lives over the festive period.
- October was renamed 'Tintober' – after students donated a whopping 130 tins to the local Food Bank, Anode.
- In November we ran a non-school uniform day and cake sale to raise money for Children In Need.
- 6th Form students held a Coffee Morning, raising £124.50 to support the Macmillan Cancer Charity

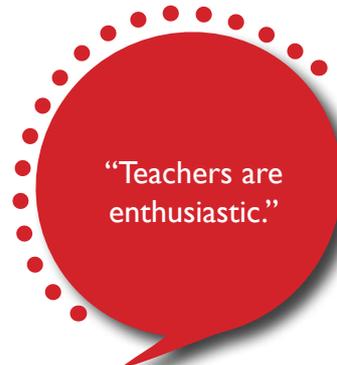
A big thank you to all the generous students and parents out there!



Girls in Robotics & Engineering

Encouraging Girls into Robotics and Engineering

Our Year 8 and Year 9 girls took part in Bright Future's 'Robot Revolution Programme', learning about the basic principles and origins of robotics. They worked in teams where they started with the building of a Roman catapult and ended with the programming and coding of a complex robot built from over 100 parts! The girls showed great teamwork, communication and organisational skills throughout.



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Interact Community Project

Interact Club Take On Community Project

The Academy's Interact Club are currently working on a project to improve an area of garden at Primley House Care Home. Students, staff and Rotary members started to clear the site of the weeds, brambles and other foliage that had taken hold. Once the site is cleared, a new garden will be designed by students and then planted so it will be ready for the residents to enjoy in Spring.



Jane at Pearson Teaching Awards

“I am both delighted and greatly honoured to have been selected for this prestigious award. It has been a both a privilege and a real pleasure to lead Paignton Community & Sports Academy and to have worked alongside so many wonderful students staff, governors and parents.”

Jane English
Principal

Principal, Jane English, Awarded Pearson Lifetime Achievement Award

Jane English was announced as the Gold winner of the Lifetime Achievement Award at the prestigious BBC Classroom Heroes Awards. The ceremony celebrates the very best of the UK's teaching profession and Jane's nomination follows the receipt of a Silver

Teaching Award earlier this year for her exceptional contribution to the teaching profession. This is an amazing accolade and everybody within the community is extremely proud of her.

Jane was nominated for the accolade by pupils, parents and colleagues past and present in the Paignton Community & Sports Academy community.

Herald Express Community Awards

At the 2016 Herald Express Community Awards which took place at the Imperial Hotel in Torquay, Jane English won a second 'Lifetime Achievement' Award!

Mike Lock (pictured with Jane), who is a member of the Bay Education Trust Board, was also celebrating the evening after winning the 'Teacher of the Year' Award.

Jane English - A journey through time



Jane English and Mike Lock at Community Awards





“We are looking to expand on the numbers of Alumni members so as to help inspire future generations.”

Laura Hay, Careers Co-ordinator

Alumni

Did you go to Paignton Academy?

Paignton Community & Sports Academy seeks former students to become part of the alumni...

We are seeking former students who can inspire the current generation to academic success and career confidence.

As one of 400 state secondaries and colleges across Britain working with the education charity 'Future First', we would like to harness the talents and experience of former students to support today's students.

The school wants to contact former students in established careers and recent leavers in further education, alumni who live nearby and those who have moved away.

Former students make great motivators that our young people can look up to as career and education role models, mentors, work experience providers, governors and fundraisers.

Laura Hay, Careers Coordinator, is waiting to hear from former students so please email laura.hay@paigntonacademy.org.

Do you remember?...



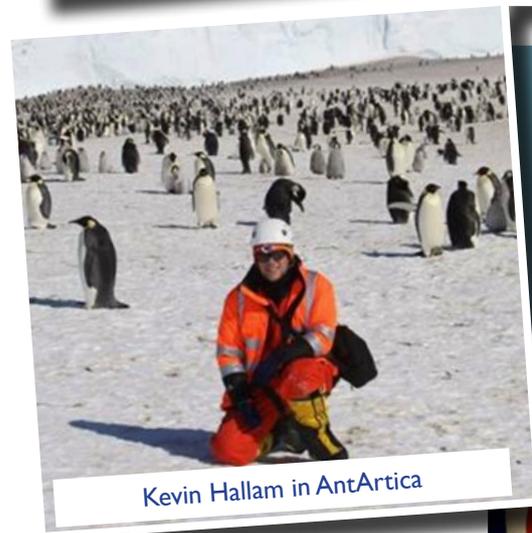
Hugh Maynard, West End Star



Simon Hulston - Michelin Star Chef



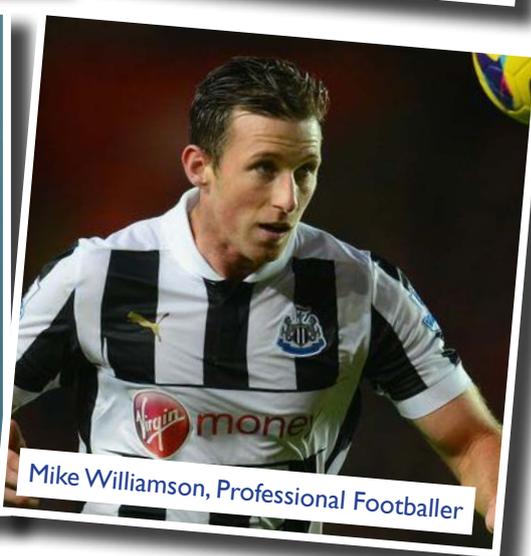
Molly Hughes - Everest



Kevin Hallam in AntArtica



Lee Mears, Former Rugby Player for England & Bath



Mike Williamson, Professional Footballer

South Devon Cross Country Meeting at Stover

An Academy team from all year groups took part in the SDA meeting. It was a tough course with heavy rain and muddy conditions but everyone did well. A special mention goes to Brooke Coldwell, Charlie Ward, Charlie Rowe, Sam and George Wookcock and Ocean Latto who all qualified for the next round.

“Pupils are confident and articulate.”



Students participate in SDA Cross Country Meeting

Table Tennis County Champions

Paignton reigned supreme at the Devon Table Tennis Championships in Eggbuckland

A great day for both teams: a gold medal for the U13s after a marathon match ending in a score of 132 – 123 and a silver medal for the U16s, which saw impressive defence from Lenard Hernandez against the top ranked player from Eggbuckland.



Table Tennis Success for the U13 and U16 Teams

Activities Week - Bookings Start 30th January 2017

ACTIVITIES WEEK 2017
Monday 26th - Friday 30th June 2017

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THE ENCON GROUP

All parents of students in Yr 7-10 should by now have received an Activities Week brochure detailing the timetable & activities available.

Booking will take place from Monday 30th January - Friday 10th February and parents will be notified in January as to which booking date is available for their child.

Encon Insulation Sponsorship



Encon Sponsorship for Year 8 Football Team

Students Witness England Victory at Twickenham

53 students and 6 members of staff embarked on a memorable visit to Twickenham Stadium, to watch an undefeated England team beat a highly rated Argentina 27-14. The students were a pleasure to spend the day with, and an absolute credit to the Academy.



Students Visit Twickenham

Rugby Round-up

Year 7 - The fantastic level of interest has meant we have been able to play 2 strong teams this term.

Year 8 – Some great wins over Churston.



Year 8 Rugby Team - Some Great Wins

Year 11 – Final Game Played!



Year 11 - Played Against Torquay Boys



Huge Numbers for Year 7 Rugby Team

“Pupils are articulate and able to talk about their learning confidently.”

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Year 9 Rugby Team

Year 9 Academy Netballers

These are the fabulous Year 9 Netballers that are currently playing in the Boyce Allen ladies netball league. In every match they grow in confidence and their game is improving.



Year 9 Netball Team

PCSA Awarded as a Champion NCS School for 2015/16



PCSA - Champion NCS School Award 2015/16



Year 10 Business Studies Students Visit University

Year 10 business enthusiasts participated in a day of fun and interesting activities working with other schools to create sustainable and profitable items from the 'left over' shoe mouldings that a South West based fashion company throw away. The pupils were then required to give an elevator pitch to the audience and set of judges.

Construction 6th Form Bricklaying Assessment

As part of their diploma in bricklaying, students have built a brick and block cavity wall incorporating a window, brick cill and soldier course.



6th Form Students, Jack Morris and Bailey Westacott, Work Towards Bricklaying Assessment



Georgina Scott Takes Part in Exeter Progression Programme

Exeter Progression Programme

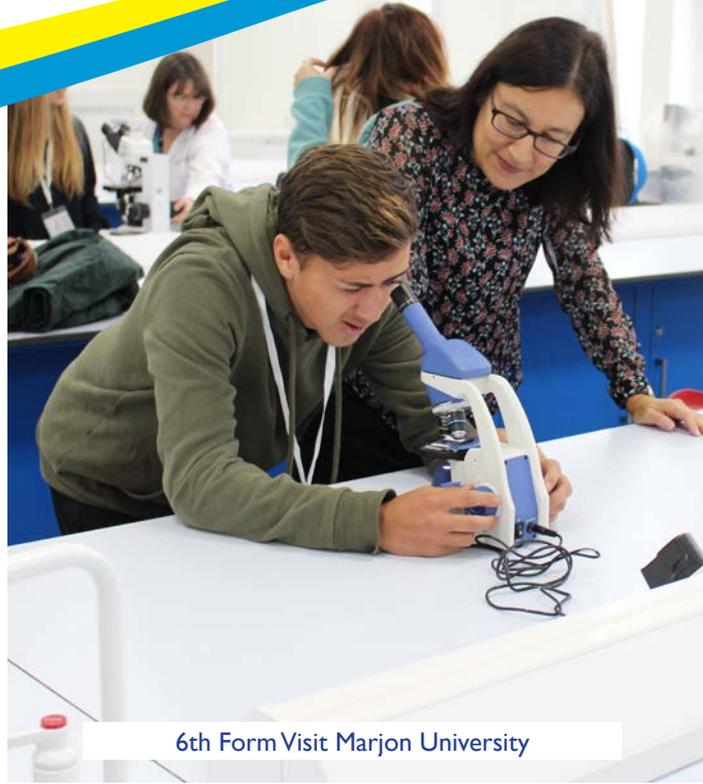
As part of the Exeter Progression Programme, Georgina Scott has been given the opportunity of valuable work experience shadowing Judge John Collins within the Civil Division at Exeter Combined Courts, complimenting her studies in Business, ICT and Law. She also attended a week's residential at Warwick University on the Law pathway.



Sixth Form News

6th Form Sport Students Inspired by Olympian!

Year 13s visited Marjon University, accompanied by ex-student and Olympic Diver, Sarah Barrow, to take part in seminar sessions within Sports Therapy, Bio-science, Sports Science and Bio-mechanics. It was a great opportunity for students to sample the courses offered at Marjon, inspiring many to apply for university courses after completing 6th Form.



6th Form Visit Marjon University

Pro Cookery Cater for Royal British Legion

To support the Poppy Appeal, and commemorative events nationwide, students on the first year of the Pro-Cookery course invited members of the Royal British Legion to lunch. The menu, which consisted of cottage pie with a selection of vegetables, followed by sherry trifle, coffee and biscuits, was warmly received by the guests.

Scary Hairy!

As part of their course, our Sixth form students chose a Halloween theme this term!



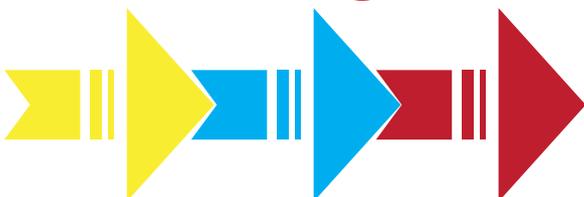
A Halloween Theme for EHair 6th Form Students

Plymouth Argyle Football Team 2016



PAFC Team Photo 2016

Don't Forget ...





PAIGNTON COMMUNITY & SPORTS ACADEMY





**ASPIRE
SIXTH FORM
OPEN EVENING**

**THURSDAY
19TH JANUARY
2017**

from 6.30pm
Borough Road

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www.aspirefutures.org



'Leading the way to being university and work ready'

Student of the Month

SEPTEMBER 2016	
Isabelle Cole 7GI	Isabelle has settled in to secondary school very well. She shows great pride in her work, is polite and helpful and is already a good role model for her peers.
Olivia Madge 8G3	Olivia's attitude towards learning is outstanding. She is always motivated and enthusiastic in her science work. After a difficult time last year, she has continued to stay focused and hard working.
Ella Baxter 9G6	Ella works hard in class, helping other students once her own work is completed. She helps tidy the classroom, concentrates fully all the time and is always smiling.
Paige Burke 10E3	Paige has made a really good start to the BTEC ICT course. She gets fully involved with class discussion and has completed some detailed exam style answers.
Tamara Blackburn 11M2	Tamara works hard in every lesson and completes each task to such a good standard. She is taking ownership of her own learning and it is an absolute pleasure to have her in the classroom.
Charlie Gray 13TUI	Charlie has made excellent progress in his Level 3 Outdoor Adventure course. Despite issues with water confidence and being unable to ride a bike 18 months ago, he has completed his BCU 2 star canoeing award and is now confident to try a 'red' run during our mountain bike sessions.

OCTOBER 2016	
Anya Scott 7PI	Anya has built up a wonderfully caring and supportive friendship with Charlie Jones who she meets every morning and looks after during the school day.
Poppy Bodwell 8GI	Poppy has excelled since moving up to set 2 earlier this year. She has achieved above her target on her last two assessments and this is testament to her determination to do well.
Morgan Harris 9P4	Morgan is an extremely dedicated student who books a practice room every day to work on class work.
Jasmine Thomas 10 M3	Jasmine has made a fantastic start in Geography this year, producing work and scores which exceed her aspirational grade. She always puts in 100% effort.
Reuben Reeves 11 E1	Reuben had a principal part in 'Aladdin' for his GCSE Drama but has gone above and beyond what is expected of him during rehearsals after school, in class and in the evenings.
Robert Heaps 12TUI	Rob is going above and beyond in the work he completes outside of class and as a result he is working above his target grade at the highest level the course offers currently.

Other News



Shaun Quick Wins Gold in Taekwon-Do



PCSA Secure £5000 STEM Science Funding



Interact Club Students Plant Bulbs to Raise Polio Awareness



Year 10 Students Complete Their Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition



Charlotte Singleton, Cycles 110 Miles for Devon Air Ambulance!

All these stories and more can be found on our website: www.paigntonacademy.org

