

ROA DAY
LEAVERS' CELEBRATION



TORBAY SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

There is a wide range of activities on offer to choose from for children aged 4-17 years. The programme runs from Monday 27th July - Wednesday 12th August. All information and booking is via www.torbayholidayprogramme.com.

Booking opens 1st July.



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SUMMER 2015



**RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT
DAY - LEAVERS'
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Top Torbay Michelin star chef, Simon Hulstone, cooked up a storm with an inspirational speech to more than 200 Year 11 leavers. Mr Hulstone, an ex-student and chef proprietor at The Elephant in Torquay, was invited back to the Academy as guest of honour.

Simon talked fondly about his time at school, bringing along his own reports which he had managed to dig out. He informed us of his numerous titles such as National Chef and World Chef of the Year. Simon also spoke about the struggles he faced early in his career and the resilience required to compete and perform as a top chef.

The Principal, Jane English, commented, "This is my favourite day of the year; it was a real pleasure to see all the students and parents as they complete one successful stage of their lives and embark on their next journey. We look forward to celebrating some excellent GCSE results with these wonderful young people who have been such a delight to work with in our Academy"



**NAREECE FORD
DEVON'S YOUNG VOLUNTEER
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In May Nareece Ford (Year 11) was crowned Devon's Young Volunteer of the year at The Exeter Foundation Devon Sports Awards 2015. Paignton was the only school who could boast four nominees, this was recognised by BBC's Dave Gliddon who hosted the prestigious event. Nareece Ford and Linnea Byrne were nominated for the Devon Young Volunteer of the Year whilst Jacob Priestly (Golf) and Rebecca Payne (Archery) were nominated for Devon Young Elite Performer of the Year.



**NIGERIAN PARTNER SCHOOLS
VISIT ACADEMY**

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The Academy welcomed staff from its two partner schools in Lagos Nigeria: Lagos Senior City College and Sanya Senior Grammar school. The Principals of both schools spent time in the Academy working with students in Years 7, 8 and 9. They played a key role in work students were undertaking within the English Faculty and also attended Music and Art lessons. Staff and students at PCSA really enjoyed the opportunity to meet and work alongside teachers from Africa.

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STUDENT OF THE MONTH WINNERS

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The winners for the accolade are:

FEBRUARY: Katie Brooks, Will Needs, Scott Rawles, Nikita Coombes, Owen Lethbridge, Linnea Byrne

MARCH: Michael Lomax, Matthew Scott, Maddy Baker, Melissa Wallis Higgs, Lucy Sutherland, Jack Boiston

APRIL: Leon Qiriaqi, Tom Dugate, Madeline Wakeham, George (Lau) Fundulea, Georgina Scott, Nathan Matthews

Well done to all the students who were nominated.



CHARLIE SNELL COMPLETES THE RAF WARMA

YEAR 11 AWARDED MEDAL FOR RAF MARCH

Congratulations to Charlie Snell who completed the RAF WARMA march covering a massive 52 miles in total. Charlie was awarded his medal and has now qualified for the Nijmegen 100 mile march in Holland in July.

SKYE KELLY TAE-KWON DO SUCCESS



CONGRATULATIONS TO SKYE KELLY - YEAR 8

Skye went off to Worcester to compete in the 'British Tae-Kwon Do Council Ladies' Championships' and came away with a bronze medal in individual sparring and a silver in the tag-team sparring event. Skye then went onto the Welsh Championships and surpassed all expectations once again; she came 1st in patterns and is the 2015 TAGB Blue Belt Welsh Champion, bringing home the Gold for Tae Kwon-Do Torbay.

YEAR 7 SOUTH DEVON CHAMPIONS

After winning the South Devon final, proud team manager Mr Power was delighted for the boys and commented, "The boys have trained and played brilliantly all year and I'm so pleased that they have ended the season in such superb style. They have been a credit to the Academy and thoroughly deserve all their success!" Paignton led from the start and flourished in the second half piling pressure on a stubborn Kingsbridge defence. The final result was 4-1 to the PCSA boys. This sees the team achieve the double this season with the previous 5 a side South Devon triumph.

Y7 SOUTH DEVON CHAMPIONS



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Y10 SOUTH DEVON CHAMPIONS

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On Wednesday 6th May the Year 10 boys' football team clinched the South Devon Cup after a nail biting 4-3 victory over Torquay Academy. Paignton started extremely brightly and took the lead within the first 5 minutes. Torquay clawed a goal back early in the second half which seemed to re-ignite the Paignton fire. Goal of the game came from Billy Atkins; he grabbed his fourth goal by hitting a 25 yard volley straight from the goal keeper's kick into the roof of the net.

TEN TORS SUCCESS

On the 55th anniversary of the Ten Tors event students met the challenge, completing 35 and 45 mile hikes across Dartmoor. Year 10 students William Shepard, Ben Holmes-Brown, Liam Finnigan, Scott Luker, Aidan Gallagher and Harrison Maddock, who are all new to the Ten Tors challenge, undertook the 35 mile

event. After months of training to develop navigational skills and physical fitness, this 35 mile team were ready to head off across Dartmoor on their two day expedition. The team demonstrated fantastic teamwork and determination which helped them to get to the finish before 14:30 on Sunday.

Year 11 students also took part in the challenge completing 45 miles across Dartmoor. Stefan Perett, Perry Northeast, Elisha Hughes, Tommy Windeatt, Ashleigh Puchala and Ali Northcott also demonstrated great teamwork and determination to complete the Ten Tors challenge in an impressive time, reaching the finish line on the Sunday before 14:00.



TEN TORS SUCCESS

UNDER 14S COUNTY CUP 1ST ROUND CRICKET WIN!

The Paignton Academy U14 Cricket team travelled the short distance to Churston Grammar School for the first round tie. The team included two year nine girls Imogen Plumridge and Phoebe McCaig. Churston batted first in this 20/20 game and they were soon struggling to cope with our opening bowlers. Paignton went into bat with Slough and Woodcock taking quick singles and rotating the strike well. Louie Slough batted through playing some nice drives with excellent support from Jake Allen and Reece Titheridge, who hit a huge six! After the first round victory we look forward to the next round.



Y7/8 BADMINTON SUCCESS

YEAR 7/8 BADMINTON TOURNAMENT SUCCESS

PCSA registered a first and second place in the Year 7/8 boys' competition, and also a joint first place in the Year 7/8 girls' competition. A truly outstanding achievement for all involved.

The good news however does not stop there! We are delighted and proud to announce that Danilo De Jong, Ethan Moore, James Kinghorn and Joseph Perry were all selected for the county squad.



CONGRATULATIONS TO YEAR 10 KAREANN FOR TRIPLE GOLD

Over the half term holiday, Kareann Williams took to the road to compete in the National Baton Twirling Competition in Loughborough. She had an amazing competition collecting three gold medals and two silver medals in the process.

ACHIEVEMENTS



**DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S
BRONZE AWARD**

STUDENTS COMPLETE EXPEDITION FOR BRONZE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Dylan Munro, Aaron Meakin, Cody Lucas and Stephen Moss have successfully completed an expedition of 12 miles on Dartmoor. They carried all the equipment and food they would need for a two day hike. They were required to be self-sufficient which meant they had to navigate, camp out and cook for themselves. After a few navigational challenges through forests, fields and country lanes they finally made it to the finish. A fantastic effort from all four students.

YEAR 10 BASKETBALL WIN

On Monday 23rd March, Paignton finished their Central Venue Basketball league with a very impressive 18 - 12 victory over Trinity, showing how far they have come from the first fixture of the season by outplaying Trinity in both offence and defence.

Congratulations to the team.



Y10 BASKETBALL WIN



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At the recent Torbay Netball League presentation evening the Year 9 Paignton Academy Girls Netball team won the Sporting Team of the Year Trophy. Charlie and Imogen Plumridge (Year 9) both won the young player of the season award for division 2. Linnea Byrne (Year 12) and Nareece Ford (Year 11) were awarded the young umpire and young volunteer awards respectively.

FIRST CLASS ROUNDERS SCORED AND SUPERB TEAM WORK

In the plate competition the team won two matches and only lost the third by half a rounder!

The girls were brilliant fun, impeccably well behaved and an absolute pleasure to take. A fab afternoon had by all.



FIRST CLASS ROUNDERS TEAM



**TIA BENCH
A CUT ABOVE THE REST**

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Tia Bench, Year 12 Aspire student, has successfully completed the Level 2 Certificate in Hairdressing ahead of her expected finishing date, and is now actively looking for an apprenticeship. Tia said "Completing this qualification was exciting as I was able to learn new skills; for example different colouring techniques. With the support of the tutors, my confidence grew over the year, they encouraged and supported me to develop and increase my knowledge. I experienced other opportunities such as a trip to Salon International in London and witnessed fantastic hair shows in a vibrant environment."

DISCOVERY CREST AWARD



SUCCESS WITH THE DISCOVERY CREST AWARD

30 students completed the Discovery Crest Award in the after school Science club during Science week. Students were split into two teams and had to create a community garden. Mr Turner, Director of Science, commented; "The students worked extremely hard to create a community garden they should be very proud of their achievements".

YEAR 9 INTRODUCTION TO STEM

Students were able to have a hands-on experience of the delights of the scientific world that included learning about a range of topics, from drones and robots to the human body and enzymes. To complete the day, students participated in a lecture on why lobsters are becoming land based creatures!

PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT Y7-9



PROPERTY DEVELOPING FOR YEARS 7-9

Fifty students from Year 7, 8 & 9 took part in a fast paced enterprise opportunity from Cavanna Homes. In teams of five, the students had to become a property development company and design a company name and logos followed by a 3D design layout. Congratulations to team 8, Eco Housing, who won the event.

INSPIRATION DAY SUCCESS



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LITERACY LEADERS



YEAR 9 LITERACY LEADERS

The Literacy Leaders were trained in their own free time and now mentor Year 7s in reading skills. As well as supporting Year 7, these students have also been ambassadors for the Academy in hosting the prestigious Poetry Slam at the Princess Theatre. Phoebe McCaig, Year 9, said 'I have really enjoyed working as a Literacy Leader because I have loved watching my Year 7 student improving his reading every week. I am really proud of him'



ACCELERATED READING

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We have been running the Accelerated Reading Scheme (AR) since September with 270 students across Key Stage 3. Every English class has a reading session in the library each week and we have developed a good reading culture in the Academy. We have had great success with students showing an overall average reading gain of 2 years and 6 months. From September every student at Key Stage 3 will be participating in AR.

YEARS 9 AND 7 LEAD INSPIRATION DAY SUCCESS

Thank you to all the students at Waterleat Road who have supported and taken part in the 4 inspiration days we have held this year. We have had over 720 Year 5 and Year 4 pupils visit us from local primaries. Staff commented on how our students have been engaging and supportive to our visitors. They were a credit to the Academy and they have shown great leadership skills.

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EX-STUDENT'S SUCCESS JENNY CHOW ASSISTANT DESIGNER

Jenny Chow who left the academy 2 years ago contacted Miss Parsons, Art Teacher, about her successful new job role. Jenny is an Assistant Designer for a company called 'Christy's' that supplies John Lewis, George at Asda and many more businesses. In her new role she will be designing fancy dresses for Disney, Marvel and Barbie. "I just wanted to share this news with you. You and Miss Julian (Head of Art) played a huge role supporting me in the years that I knew you, you were always positive and pushed me in right direction!"



JENNY CHOW
EX-STUDENT



Y11 BTEC CONCERT

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Year 11 music students performed a brilliant concert for students, friends and family in the Drama Studio at Borough Road. This was the culmination of months of hard work which saw the students organise and promote every aspect of the concert, including preparing a programme of outstanding live music performances. Our two classes of students each performed a song as a class and each student performed a second song as a solo, duet or small group performance. Feedback from the audience was hugely enthusiastic about the quality of all of the performances which provided a successful and fitting end to the students' BTEC course.



RADIO CLUB LAUNCHED

RADIO CLUB IS LAUNCHED!

The Academy has given students the opportunity to make their own radio show, learn how to make jingles and improve their DJ skills. There is also the chance to air their show to the whole of Torbay in the summer at Parkfield Radio. The club runs for Year 7 to Year 11 at WRC and BRC. Please see the website for further details.

DANCE SHOWCASE 'A NIGHT AT THE OSCARS'

The Year 13 Dance BTEC students put on a spectacular show based on the theme 'A Night at the Oscars'. The showcase saw the group produce, choreograph and perform 16 dances, all with a famous film theme. It was a huge success and a brilliant end to their dance studies here at the Academy.



A NIGHT AT THE OSCARS



FILM CLUB PREMIERE

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Every Monday after school from 3.30pm to 5.30pm in the VLC at Borough Road students can watch a free film on the big screen whilst relaxing on bean bags. There will be a different film each week on which students can vote.

They will then have the opportunity to make their own film and screen it to an audience. Who will be the next Steven Spielberg? We will just have to wait and see!

Y9/10 MEDIA WORKSHOP



YEARS 9 & 10 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PLYMOUTH MEDIA WORKSHOP

Although the sun was shining brightly there was little time to enjoy it! Students were invited into the Vision Theatre Dome and were able to see 2D imaging and the fabulous work that current undergraduates have produced. Students were also able to use The Oculus Rift, a 3D portable imaging device.

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FINAL SITE VISIT FOR Y11

FINAL SITE VISIT FOR YEAR 11 TRAINEES

The Year 11 construction trainees have completed their final visit to the Hayes Road building site. A special thanks must go to Leadbitter and Bouygues, who have been very accommodating in providing these unique learning experiences for our students.



COMENIUS TRIP TO POLAND



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This amazing opportunity was given to six students to represent the Academy. These students were true ambassadors to the school as their conduct in the workshops, visits, school and performance in Poland was professional, polished and excellent. Special mention must go to Jess Clayton who has been learning Polish independently and impressed us all by her level of fluency in spoken and written Polish. A superb effort and much appreciated by the Polish Team.



COUNTY FUTSAL FINAL

We hosted the County Futsal finals on Thursday 26th March. We were represented in the U14 and U16 age groups by our Academy teams. The U16s were impressive, finishing 3rd in the county. The U14s also performed excellently, finishing 5th in the county.



COUNTY FUTSAL FINAL

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**KEVIN PIETERSE
CRICKET MASTERCLASS**

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Three Academy students, Louis Slough and Sam Woodcock, Year 9, and Charlie Ward, Year 7, have had an experience of a lifetime by receiving a batting master class from the world's greatest batsman, England international, Kevin Pieterse. The students received a range of invaluable tips and demonstrations from Kevin and then practised the varying batting drills under his guidance.



DEVON WINTER GAMES

DEVON WINTER GAMES HOSTED BY PCSA

During the Devon Level 3 School Games, based at the Academy, Paignton Academy teams successfully represented Torbay at table tennis, volleyball and handball. We also provided 4 superb umpires for the netball competition in Linnea Byrne, Nareece Ford, Phoebe McCaig and Emily Philbin. It was a superb day for all participants.

PEDAL POWER!

As a cycle hub school for Devon, our students supported the county Cycle Cross event at Haldon hill on Wednesday 25th March. Four students, Lewis Jones, Ben Henderson, Connor Ballinger and Kieron Bambury were selected to take part in their first leadership event for the Academy and were extremely professional. Mr Gillard commented "These 4 young leaders ensured the event was a success and everything ran smoothly on the day, as a result it was the best cycle event for a number of years"

PEDAL POWER



WEMBLEY STADIUM

STUDENTS VISIT THE HOME OF FOOTBALL

On the final day of the spring term, a group of 14 Aspire sixth form and Year 11 students embarked on a trip to the home of football, Wembley Stadium to watch England vs Lithuania in a Euro 2016 qualifier. We made our way into the famous stadium to be greeted by a record breaking crowd of just under 84,000 people. As the game developed, we witnessed some great football produced by the home team, and were treated to goals which lead to a victorious 4-0 win.

TERM DATES

LAST DAY OF THE SUMMER TERM:

FRIDAY 24TH JULY 2015

FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM:

WEDNESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2015