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Welcome



It has been another busy and rewarding week at Paignton Academy, with our students continuing to demonstrate their creativity, generosity, determination and willingness to embrace new opportunities.

This week, we celebrate the achievements of our talented students, from Lola's fantastic performance in Frozen to Emily successfully passing the first stage of her netball umpiring qualification. It is particularly pleasing to see students developing their interests and skills beyond the classroom, taking on new challenges and building their confidence.

Sport has also featured strongly, with our Year 9 rugby team showing great resilience and teamwork in their first cup fixture, while preparations are underway for our upcoming Academy Cross Country Competition. We look forward to seeing our Key Stage 3 students take part and demonstrate their sporting spirit.

We were also delighted to welcome Year 11 Art & Design students and their families to our recent Open Afternoon, celebrating the creativity and impressive portfolio work being produced. Alongside this, I would like to thank everyone who contributed to our Harvest Festival collection. The generosity of our school community has made a valuable contribution to Paignton Community Larder and the local families they support.

As we look ahead, our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Club is also getting ready to begin, providing another opportunity for students to develop new skills, independence and resilience.

Thank you for your continued support. It is wonderful to see our students making the most of the opportunities available to them and making a positive contribution to our Academy and wider community.

Mr Williams

Spend Your CARE Points in the School Shop!

Browse the brochure to discover the fantastic range of rewards available for students to purchase using their CARE Points - from stationery essentials and treats to exciting rewards such as Prom tickets and much more.

At Paignton Academy, our values are at the heart of everything we do. CARE stands for:

- ⭐ Community
- ⭐ Ambition
- ⭐ Relationships
- ⭐ Excellence

Students earn CARE Points by demonstrating these core values every day.

Once you have chosen your item/s please place your order via this form: **Order Form**

Our CARE Store team are looking forward to receiving your orders, which will be delivered during Tutor Time.

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Year 11 Art & Design Open Afternoon

We were delighted to welcome our Year 11 Art & Design students, along with their parents and carers, to our recent Open Afternoon.

The event provided a fantastic opportunity to explore exemplar artwork, meet our Art & Design teachers, and gain an insight into the exciting portfolio work our students are creating.

It was wonderful to see so many families attending and engaging with the creative journey of our students.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the afternoon such a success. We look forward to supporting our talented young artists as they continue to develop their skills and creativity.



Thank You, Paignton Community Larder

It was lovely to receive this thank you from Paignton Community Larder, recognising the donations made by our school community during last term's Harvest Festival.

A huge thank you to all our families and staff who contributed. Your generosity helps support local people and families and makes a real difference within our community.

We are proud to support such a valuable local organisation and grateful to everyone who helped make our Harvest Festival collection such a success.





Year 9 Rugby Cup Match

Year 9 had their first taste of cup rugby this week, taking on a strong and physical side from Stover School. Despite the challenge, Paignton Academy played with immense pride, determination and heart, truly embodying everything we stand for as a school.

Although our resilience was tested throughout the game, we were unfortunately unable to come away with the win, losing 38-19. The scoreline certainly does not reflect the effort, commitment and character shown by every player on the pitch.

Our try scorers were:

- Ozzy
- Oscar
- Hugo

A huge well done to all of the boys for their outstanding attitude and teamwork.

We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the fantastic local businesses who have generously sponsored our new rugby kit. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps provide our students with opportunities to represent the Academy with pride.





Cross Country Qualifying Events for KS3 Students!

In preparation for the upcoming Paignton Academy Cross Country Competition later this month, the PE Department will be providing all Key Stage 3 students with the opportunity to qualify for the event during their PE lessons.

Qualifying lessons began this week and we are looking forward to seeing our students demonstrate their determination, resilience and sporting spirit in a new and exciting environment outside of their usual PE lessons.

An email has been sent to parents and carers with all the information required, including the dates of the qualifying sessions and details of the kit and equipment students will need.



Student Success

Lola, Year 7

A massive well done to Lola in Year 7, who has recently completed a successful run as Young Anna in TOPS' production of Frozen.

Lola has been working incredibly hard, attending rehearsals since the summer in preparation for the performances, which took place during the October half-term break.

In addition to her role as Young Anna, Lola also performed as a member of the Bulda Ensemble, showcasing her versatility, dedication and talent throughout the production.

We are extremely proud of Lola's commitment and enthusiasm, and it is wonderful to see our students developing and showcasing their performing arts talents beyond the classroom.

Congratulations, Lola, on this fantastic achievement. We look forward to seeing what you accomplish next!



Emily, Year 9

Emily has been working incredibly hard to learn the rules and regulations required to become a netball umpire. This journey takes dedication, resilience, and a real commitment to developing her skills.

To gain valuable experience and complete her training hours, Emily has been umpiring junior games and supporting younger pupils in school matches.

This week, Emily successfully passed the first stage of her journey towards becoming a qualified young netball umpire!

Congratulations, Emily, on passing your INTO Netball Umpiring Assessment! We are so proud of your hard work, determination, and positive attitude. Your commitment to developing your leadership skills and supporting others is truly inspiring.

We look forward to seeing you continue to grow and succeed as an umpire.



Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Club

Our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Club starts on Wednesday 11th November.

Sessions will run every Week A Wednesday after school, from 3:15pm–4:30pm at Borough Road.

This is where you'll take part in a range of activities, develop new skills and learn how to complete your DofE Award.

Please keep an eye on the Duke of Edinburgh Teams page for updates, reminders and any changes to the schedule.

Please make sure that online consent forms have been filled in and registration fees paid on Arbor

We look forward to seeing you there!



POST 16 TRANSITION FAIR 2026

Calling all Year 11 Students and Parents/Guardians
You are invited to our Post 16 Transition Fair at Borough Road in the Arena.

This event is an important opportunity to explore the wide range of pathways available after GCSEs. Representatives from local colleges, sixth forms, training providers and apprenticeship organisations will be available to answer any questions about next steps, application processes, and the grades required for different courses.

Tuesday
10 November, 2026

Start At :
4.00 - 6.00pm



The Arena, Borough Road Centre

AUTUMN TERM EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS ARE HERE!

Don't forget to take a look at our exciting range of Autumn Term extra-curricular clubs, which are now in full swing!



✅ Open to students of all ages and abilities
✅ No booking required for after-school clubs
✅ Just turn up and get involved!
✅ A great opportunity to represent Paignton Academy with pride

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We look forward to seeing lots of students taking part this term and making the most of the opportunities on offer.

This Week's House Points
Who is currently leading this term so far...?

HOUSE COMPETITION- Running Total

BROADSANDS	ELBERRY	GOODRINGTON	PRESTON
220	360	260	460

Dates for Your Diary

Year 11	**Year 11 PPEs**	**4th- 13th November 2026**
Year 11	**Post 16 Options Evening**	**10th November 2026**
Year 7	**Jay's Aim Waterleat Road**	**13th November 2026**
Year 7	**Jay's Aim Borough Road**	**20th November 2026**
All Years	**Flu Immunisations**	**25th November 2026**
Year 11	**Parents' Evening**	**3rd December 2026**
Year 10	**London Trip**	**3rd- 4th December 2026**
All Years	**Last Day of Autumn Term**	**18th December 2026**









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