

Welcome

This week, we've been celebrating the magic of reading and imagination in honour of World Book Day. It's always a pleasure to see our students embrace the world of books, and I look forward to sharing more about this celebration, along with photos and highlights, in next week's edition of our newsletter.

In this week's edition, we are excited to showcase a variety of inspiring student activities. Our budding designers have been working hard on innovative 3D design projects, while our students had the unique opportunity to attend the Royal Institution's Food Science Show – an experience that brought science to life in the most exciting way. Our Drama students also attended a collaborative workshop, further enhancing their skills and creativity. Additionally, we are thrilled to announce our participation in a Food Influencer competition, where our students are stepping into the world of culinary creativity.

We are also proud to celebrate the achievements of our students and their continued success across various disciplines. These accomplishments are a testament to their hard work, dedication, and the supportive learning environment we strive to provide.

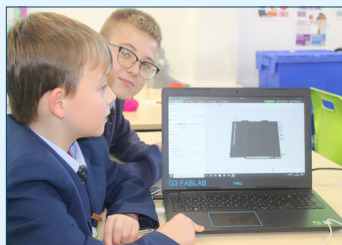
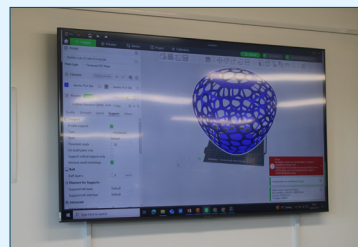
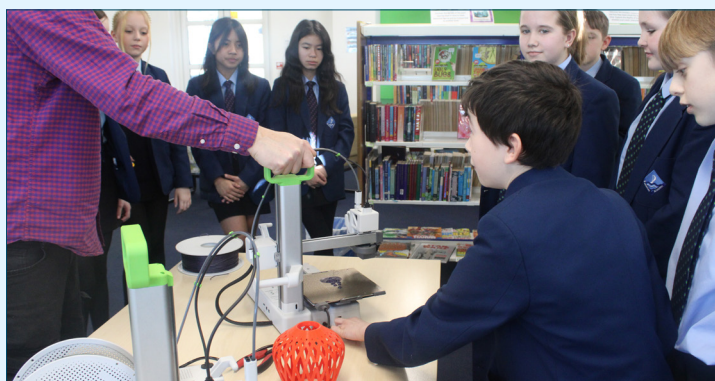
Thank you for your ongoing support, and we hope you enjoy reading about all the wonderful things happening in our school.
Best wishes, *Mr Williams*

Year 7 Get Creative With 3D Design!

Our Year 7 students recently took part in an exciting 3D digital activity, where they explored the world of Computer-Aided Design (CAD)!

Using interactive software, they learned how digital models are created, modified and brought to life, gaining the skills and confidence to start designing their own unique items. From understanding shapes and structures to experimenting with different features, they've now got the foundation to develop their own amazing 3D creations!

This was a fantastic introduction to the technology behind engineering, product design, and manufacturing - who knows what they'll create next?!

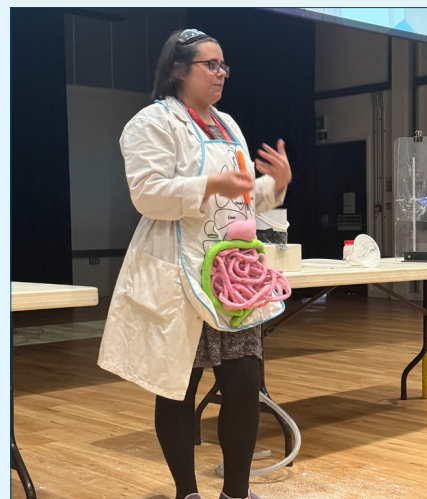


The Royal Institution Presents The Explosive Food Science Show At Paignton Academy

On Tuesday 25th February, Paignton Academy hosted the Royal Institution's Schools Programme at Borough Road Arena. This event attracted over 600 students, parents and community members. The show provided an engaging exploration of explosive food science and rocket science.

This programme combined educational content with entertainment, utilising a hands-on approach to illustrate real-world scientific principles.

We would like to thank the Royal Institution of Great Britain for putting on such an amazing show for our students and parents!



Year 10 GCSE Drama Students Participate in Devising Discovery Platform

On the 14th February our Year 10 GCSE Drama students had the incredible opportunity to take part in the Devising Discovery Platform, a collaborative workshop with Doorstep Arts and The University of Exeter Drama Undergraduates.

This workshop was designed to support our students in the devising process for Component 2 of their GCSE.

The workshop was a resounding success, providing our students with valuable new techniques and insights to apply to their own work. It was truly inspiring to see them engage with the material and grow as young artists.

Following the workshop, the students were able to participate in an all-day rehearsal on Saturday 15th February at the University. This culminated in a performance with students from other schools and Youth Theatre groups on stage at the Exeter Northcott Theatre. Charlene and Tommy proudly represented Paignton on the day.



Food Influencer Competition



The Year 10 cooking competition was a resounding success, showcasing the incredible talent and dedication of our young chefs.

This year's event featured three outstanding entrants, each of whom worked tirelessly to research, cost and create a dish worthy of a place on the school menu.

The competition was fierce, with each student bringing their unique flair and creativity to the kitchen. The judges were impressed by the meticulous planning and execution displayed by all participants. From sourcing ingredients to perfecting their recipes, the students demonstrated a remarkable level of commitment and passion.

Entrant Highlights:

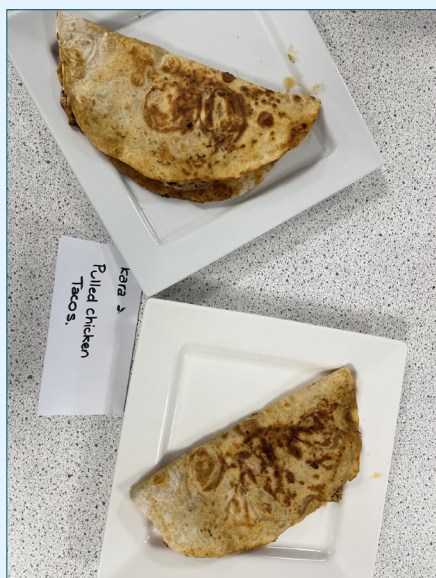
Amelie: Amelie's dish, a delectable beef taco, stood out for its rich flavours and innovative use of seasonal vegetables. Her attention to detail in balancing the ingredients and her cost-effective approach made her dish stand-out.

Jacob: Jacob wowed everyone with his home favourite dirty rice with grilled halloumi. His ability to blend traditional techniques with modern twists resulted in a dish that was both visually stunning and delicious. Jacob's enthusiasm and talent was clear to see.

Kara: 'Kara's Banging Tacos', a mouth-watering home-made chicken taco, was perfect for the competition. Her precise measurements and creative presentation left a lasting impression. Kara's dish was well seasoned, had depth of flavour and left the judges wanting more.

The judges had a tough time selecting a winner, as all three dishes were exceptional. In the end, it was decided that 'Kara's Banging Tacos' just tipped it, and this dish will be featured on the school menu and go through to the next round which includes the possibility of getting a tour of Wimbledon! This is testament to her hard work and culinary prowess.

Congratulations to Amelie, Jacob and Kara for their outstanding achievements. Their dedication and creativity have set a high standard for future competitions. I look forward to seeing more culinary masterpieces from our talented students!



Student Success



Gold and Silver in Vocals

Isabella (Year 7) and Sophia (Year 8) are both students at Torbay School of Dance. They participated in the Torbay Festival of Dance, Drama & Music on Sunday, 2nd March.

At the festival, the girls showcased their vocal talents, with Sophia earning silver medals in both the Intermediate Solo Own Choice and Intermediate Solo Musical Theatre categories, while Isabella achieved a gold medal in the Beginner Solo Musical Theatre category.

Congratulations to both young performers on their outstanding accomplishments!



Jujitsu Winner

Erika, a Year 10 student, recently achieved an incredible feat at a Brazilian Jujitsu competition. She performed outstandingly, winning twice with submission.

Well done, Erika, on your determination and success!



Swimming Success

Year 7 student, Tabitha competed in the Paignton Swimming Club One-Length Gala and did exceptionally well achieving:

- 1st place in Breaststroke
- 3rd place in Freestyle
- 3rd place in Backstroke
- 3rd place in Butterfly

Congratulations, Tabitha!



Paignton Academy

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Dates for Your Diary

3rd - 12th March	Year 11 PPEs
26th - 28th March	School Production - "The Little Mermaid"
Friday 4th April	Last Day of the Spring Term
Tuesday 22nd April	First Day of the Summer Term
Wednesday 18th June	Early Closure for Staff Training 2pm
Friday 18th July	Early Closure for Last Day of Term 2pm

The Faculty of Creative Arts Invites You To See This Year's Academy Musical "The Little Mermaid Jr"

We're thrilled to invite you to our fantastic performances from the **26th to 28th March 2025**, at the Arena on the Borough Road site!

Join Ariel and her underwater friends in this enchanting show based on Disney's Broadway production and animated film. It features award-winning music and explores the sacrifices we make for love and acceptance.

This production includes over 100 students from Years 7 to 11. We welcome support from parents, guardians and the local community. Students and staff have worked hard since September and we hope you can join us.

Tickets are now available through the ParentPay Shop (link below):

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentP.../Uniform/Default.aspx...>



Paignton Academy
production of:

Disney
THE LITTLE MERMAID

MUSIC BY
ALAN MENKEN

LYRICS BY
Howard Ashman
and Glenn Slater

BOOK by
DOUG WRIGHT

WEDNESDAY 26th March 2025 (Cast B)
THURSDAY 27th March 2025 (Cast A)
FRIDAY 28th March 2025 (Cast A)
at 7pm
The Arena, Borough Road Centre (doors open at 6.30pm)

This amateur production is presented
with
Music Theatre International
All authorised performance materials
are also supplied by MTI
www.mtishows.co.uk

TICKETS:
Adults £9
Children £5
Family Ticket (2 adults & 2 children) £24

Book your tickets online at the
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