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Welcome



It has been another vibrant week at Paignton Academy, with students continuing to showcase their creativity, ambition and strong sense of community.

Excitement is building as rehearsals continue for our upcoming production of High School Musical Jr. With just a few weeks to go, it has been wonderful to see the enthusiasm and teamwork from the cast and ensembles as they prepare to bring East High to life on stage.

Students have also been exploring exciting future opportunities beyond the classroom. A group recently attended a robotics event at South Devon College, where they took part in hands-on workshops and discovered more about fast-growing STEM industries such as robotics, AI and digital manufacturing.

Our talented musicians have also been busy preparing for the upcoming TSAT Takeover performance, where students from across the trust will come together to celebrate their musical abilities.

We are equally proud of the many individual achievements within our school community. Frankie in Year 9 has been cast in TOADS Stage Musical Company's production of We Will Rock You, while Florence has kindly donated goalkeeper gloves to support our school teams and continues to excel in football outside of school.

Finally, I would like to recognise a group of students who demonstrated outstanding honesty and community spirit by safely returning a lost phone to its owner. Their actions truly reflect the CARE values we are so proud to promote across the Academy.

Thank you for your continued support. It is always inspiring to see our students embracing opportunities and representing Paignton Academy with pride.

The CARE Store is Here!

At Paignton Academy, our values are at the heart of everything we do. CARE stands for **Community, Ambition, Relationships and Excellence** – and now we are proud to launch the much anticipated **CARE Store**.

The CARE Store is a rewards initiative that allows students to use their earned **CARE / Kindness and House Points** to purchase a range of items from the CARE Store brochure -

[CARE Store brochure](#) 

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

[Paignton Academy - The CARE Store – Fill in form](#)

The CARE Store isn't just about rewards, it's about recognising students who step up, try hard, show kindness, and represent the Academy in the right way.

You can also locate the brochure and the order form on the dedicated rewards page via the website:

[Paignton Academy | Thinking Schools Academy Trust](#)



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HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL JR

With just over two weeks until the show, we are going to be introducing you to the cast of High School Musical Jr!

Meet the Thespian Ensemble!!

The heart of East High's theatre scene, the Thespians Ensemble brings passion, creativity, and a little bit of dramatic flair to every performance. With big personalities, bigger dreams, and a love for the spotlight, the Thespians Ensemble reminds us that theatre isn't just about the stars—it's about the team that makes the show unforgettable.



Meet the Scientist Ensemble!

Brains, curiosity, and a spark of innovation—the Scientist Ensemble represents the brilliant minds of East High. Known for their love of experiments, equations, and all things discovery, this group proves that intelligence and creativity go hand in hand. With lab coats on and ideas always flowing, the Scientist Ensemble reminds us that being smart is something to celebrate—and that great discoveries often start with a little curiosity.

Meet the Basketball Ensemble!

Full of energy, teamwork, and Wildcat pride, the Basketball Ensemble brings the spirit of East High to life on and off the court. With heart, hustle, and plenty of Wildcat spirit, they remind us that being part of a team is about more than just the game—it's about friendship, dedication, and having fun along the way.



Come along and watch this amazing show ~ Wednesday 25th March - Friday 27th March. Tickets are available on Arbor or on the door.

Inspiring Future Innovators at South Devon College!

Last week, some of our lucky students took part in an exciting robotics event at South Devon College!

With the robotics, photonics and electronics industries growing rapidly both locally and across the UK — including amazing hubs like the EPIC Centre in Paignton — this event opened the door to future-focused fields such as automation, AI, clean energy, semiconductors and digital manufacturing.

Through hands-on workshops, students explored cutting-edge technologies first-hand, building confidence, problem-solving skills and curiosity — all essential qualities for future STEM pathways.

A huge thank you to South Devon College for hosting us and inspiring the next generation of innovators!



TSAT Takeover Rehearsals Are Underway!

A range of our amazing extra-curricular music students are hard at work rehearsing for the upcoming TSAT Takeover Performance!

We can't wait to showcase our school's incredible musical talent across the trust.

Rehearsals are shaping some of our most unique and exciting performances yet, featuring brilliant young musicians from Years 7 to 11.

You're all going to be amazing — keep shining, everyone!



Student Success

Frankie, Year 9

We're so proud to see Frankie cast in TOADS Stage Musical Company's production of *We Will Rock You*!

Frankie will be taking to the stage as a Bohemian when the show rocks the **Palace Theatre, Paignton** from **2nd–6th June**

For those who don't know, @TOADS Stage Musical Company is an award-winning musical theatre group that has been entertaining audiences in Torbay for over 80 years, producing large-scale musicals and giving local performers the chance to shine on stage.

We Will Rock You promises iconic Queen hits, high energy performances and an unforgettable week of theatre — and we can't wait to see Frankie as part of the Bohemian tribe bringing the story to life!

Break a leg, Frankie — we're all cheering you on!



A Huge Thank You to Florence – Year 8!

We're incredibly grateful to Florence, who has kindly donated J4K goalkeeper gloves to the school.

These will be put to fantastic use in our PE lessons and by our school football teams.

Florence currently plays for Plymouth Argyle, Exeter City, Twyford, and Elburton—an amazing achievement for someone her age!

She is proudly sponsored by J4K Goalkeeper Gloves, Goalkeeper Gloves and Torbay Council, and we couldn't be prouder of everything she's accomplishing both on and off the pitch.

Thank you, Florence, for your generosity and for being such a brilliant role model to our school community!



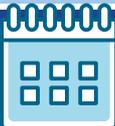
PAIGNTON ACADEMY CELEBRATES COMMUNITY VALUES IN ACTION!

We are incredibly proud of a group of our boys who showed outstanding integrity and community spirit on their way to school.

After finding an unlocked mobile phone outside Asda, they immediately used their initiative to contact someone suitable, reported it as lost and brought it safely back to school. Thanks to their actions, the phone was reunited with its very grateful owner — who even offered them a reward!

We celebrated their kindness and responsibility as shining examples of our CARE values, especially Community. The boys were invited to lunch with our Principal, Mr Williams, received 15 CARE points for their contribution, and were awarded a CARE Certificate recognising how brilliantly they promote and live our values every day.

A huge well done to these fantastic role models!



Dates for Your Diary



Year 7	Parents' Evening	19/03/2026
All Years	High School Musical Performances	25/03//2026-27/03/2026
All Years	Easter Holidays	03/4/2026-17/04/2026



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