

Welcome

As we step into another exciting week at Paignton Academy, I am delighted to share the remarkable achievements, creativity, and dedication of our students. This edition of our newsletter highlights a fantastic range of activities that showcase the talent and enthusiasm within our Academy.

We celebrate the outstanding efforts of our students through our Reward programme, recognising those who demonstrate an exemplary attitude towards learning. This week, selected students were given a special preview of our Academy's production of *The Little Mermaid Jr.*, a truly magical performance that we encourage everyone to see! On that note, we wish the cast and crew a fantastic final night tonight.

Creativity flourished at the Falmouth Art Workshop, where our Year 10 artists explored new techniques and prepared for an upcoming competition. Meanwhile, our young mathematicians were challenged and inspired at a Mathematics Workshop, expanding their problem-solving skills and career aspirations.

On the sports front, our U15 Girls' Football team made history with their best-ever run in the English Schools Cup. We also celebrate Noah's impressive efforts at the Devon Table Tennis Championships and Yasmine's selection for the U17 Exeter NAGs Water Polo team—remarkable achievements that reflect our students' determination and hard work.

Thank you for your continued support in celebrating the successes of our students. Enjoy the newsletter! *Mr Williams*

Rewarding Our Outstanding Students!



On Tuesday selected students from Years 7, 8, and 9 were rewarded with the exciting opportunity to be the first to view our production of *The Little Mermaid Jr.*

These students were invited as part of the Paignton Academy Reward Programme, which recognises their exemplary attitude towards learning and their active involvement in our Academy community.

The Reward Programme includes various incentives such as golden tickets for outstanding performance in lessons, which are entered into a draw for amazing prizes at the end of each term.

Students can also earn praise points for positive attitudes and hard work, which can be spent on items like stationery, shopping, or vouchers. Additionally, reward trips to exciting destinations like the Vue Cinema, Alton Towers, Woodlands and Splashdown water park are organised throughout the year.

We are proud to celebrate the achievements and contributions of our students through these rewarding experiences!

James, Year 8, sharing his excitement about the show.

"It was the best show I have ever watched! It was so bright!"



The Little Mermaid Jr. Meet the Cast!



ALEX, YEAR 10



LILY, YEAR 8
PHOEBE, YEAR 11



ISLA, YEAR 7
ISLA, YEAR 9



DYLAN, YEAR 8
ARTHUR, YEAR 8



ALEXIS, YEAR 8
DAISY, YEAR 9



ANNABELLE, YEAR 10
LILLY, YEAR 11



FRANKIE, YEAR 8
JULIA, YEAR 10



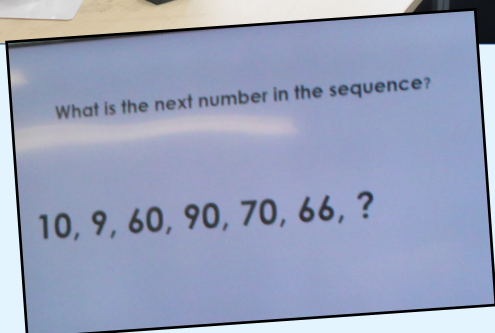
Empowering Mathematical Minds

Our students had a fantastic opportunity to take part in a Mathematics Workshop delivered by Next Steps South West representatives Peter Reeves and Ewa Fojt.

Through engaging activities and problem-solving challenges, students explored the real-world applications of Maths and gained valuable insights into how it shapes future careers.



A huge thank you to Peter and Ewa for sharing their knowledge and motivating our young mathematicians!



Falmouth Art Workshop: Inspiring Year 10 Creativity!

Our Year 10 GCSE Art students had an amazing time attending the Falmouth Art Workshop, where they explored new techniques, unleashed their creativity, and gained inspiration for their own artistic journeys!

A huge thank you to the talented artists and Mentor Aby who shared her expertise and passion. Now, it's time for our students to put their skills to the test and enter the exciting competition that's running.



Noah's Weekend at the Devon Championships Table Tennis Tournament



Last weekend, Noah, who's in Year 8, competed in the Devon Championships Table Tennis Tournament against the best under-16 players from across the county.

In a tough competition, he secured a victory in one match but fell short in the others.

Despite the results, it was a great experience, testing his skills against strong opponents and gaining valuable tournament experience for the future.

Well done from all at Paignton Academy!

History-Making Cup Run Comes to an End

The U15 girls' football team has made history by progressing further than any other girls' team in the Academy's history. They reached the fourth round of the English Schools Cup competition, facing the only other South West region team left in the competition.

The girls performed exceptionally well against Devonport High School for Girls, showing great teamwork and spirit. There were stand-out performances from Amelia, Willow, Star, Ava and Hollie. A mention also to goal scorers Maisie and April together with a further mention to Miley, Chantelle and Summer for working so tirelessly to put pressure on Devonport High's defence.

Although it's tough to accept the loss, the team should feel incredibly proud of their accomplishments. This historic run is a testament to their talent and resilience!



Congratulations to Yasmine!

UNDER 17'S SQUAD SELECTION
NATIONAL AGE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIPS GIRLS

1. Amelia Goodfellow
2. Poppy Liu (C)
3. Yasmine Chaabane
4. Eleni Kitidis
5. Carmen Vitkovic
6. Jess Goodwin
7. Freya Stone
8. Kate James
9. Olivia Jones
10. Molly Dean
11. Matilda Fletcher
12. Evie Sharman
13. Lottie Smith
14. Ellie Tait

Head Coach - Simon Tomlinson
Assistant Coach - Daisy Liu
Team Manager - Laura Liu

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Devon & Cornwall Football Association
Devon & Cornwall Water Polo

Yasmine, Year 11, has been selected for the U17 Exeter NAGs (National Age Group) team for Water Polo, and they had an incredible preliminary weekend!

- 79 goals scored in 6 matches
- Only 9 goals conceded
- 5 out of 6 wins

They are now through to the next round in Sheffield next month. Yasmine did exceptionally well! Let's cheer them on for the next round!

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 4th April	Last Day of the Spring Term
Tuesday 22nd April	First Day of the Summer Term
Thursday 24th April	Year 7 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 18th June	Early Closure for Staff Training 2pm
Friday 18th July	Early Closure for Last Day of Term 2pm



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