

## Welcome

As you are aware, schools within the Thinking Schools Academy Trust have moved to Arbor this academic year. Management information Systems (MIS) such as these take some time for staff, students and parents/guardians to fully understand and I want to thank you for your patience as we all learn more about this new software.

Linked to this, I want to apologise for the delay on setting home learning for Key Stage 3 pupils so far this term. Whilst an inevitable delay has been caused by the move to Arbor, through which home learning will be set instead of ClassCharts, there has been a further delay, outside of our control, caused by the publishers of our Home Learning booklets. This has never happened before. We have been in regular contact with the publishers as we need these booklets, which support home learning, delivered to the school as fast as possible.

All teachers will now be setting home learning for all subjects from 24th September 2025. Please be aware that whilst we try to resolve the situation with the publisher, home learning might be set online during this time. We will endeavour to make allowances for pupils who are not able to do this. If this applies to your child, please ask pupils to speak to their teachers who will make accommodations. ***Please note, Year 7 will only be set CORE (English/Maths/Science) homework up until October half term, thereafter they will also complete EBACC subjects.***

Wishing you all a restful weekend, Mr Williams

## A Proud Milestone For Jack



We are delighted to share highlights from Jack's recent attendance at his first Black Tie Dinner, hosted at the Redcliffe Hotel in Paignton. The evening marked three historic military anniversaries: the 80th of VE Day, the 80th of VJ Day, and the 85th of the Battle of Britain.

Jack represented our school with exceptional poise and maturity, embracing the significance of the occasion with genuine enthusiasm. Among the photos are moments captured at home before departure, and

a particularly poignant image featuring Jack alongside his father and a long-standing army colleague of 56 years, standing before the Standards of the Paignton, Torquay, and Newton Abbot Branches.

It was a privilege to be part of such a commemorative event, and we are immensely proud of Jack for his respectful participation and exemplary conduct throughout the evening.



# New School Communications Platform - Arbor

A huge thank you to all the parents who have supported us during the transition to Arbor and have already signed up. Your cooperation and patience are truly appreciated!

Arbor is now replacing ClassCharts, Edulink, and ParentPay — making it your one-stop shop for all school communications and payments. **Not signed up yet? Here's what to do:**

- Check your email (including junk/spam folders) for your login details
- Visit [login.arbor.sc](https://login.arbor.sc) and click "Forgotten Password" to set up your account
- Download the Arbor Parent App from the App Store or Google Play

**Once set up, you'll be able to:**

- Message the school
- Make payments
- Top-up catering balance (£2 min)
- View reports & behaviour info

## IMPORTANT NOTE:

Arbor will be the only system we use, so it's essential that all parents are set up.

## Need help?

Email us at [wrdadmin@paigntonacademy.tsat.uk](mailto:wrdadmin@paigntonacademy.tsat.uk)

**And don't forget to check your junk/spam folders for any missed communication!**





## PAIGNTON ACADEMY OPEN EVENTS



[www.paigntonacademy.org](http://www.paigntonacademy.org)

### OPEN EVENING

#### THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER

**Tours at 4.30pm and 6.10pm - BOROUGH ROAD**  
Attendance will be by **pre-booking** only

**To book please click on the link below:**  
[Paignton Academy Open Events Booking Form](#)

or visit our website and click on 'Our Academy', 'Visit Us' (in Quick Links)

*We are expecting high demand so early booking is essential.*

**Book club.**  
Wednesday lunchtime.  
W30.

Come along and share your love of books with like-minded students and get opportunities to earn reading rewards like these.



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## Dates for Your Diary

|                                                     |                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Thursday 2nd October                                | Open Evening BRC              |
| Thursday 9th October                                | Year 10/11 Attainment Evening |
| Friday 17th October                                 | Non Pupil Day                 |
| Monday 20th October - Friday 31st October inclusive | Half Term                     |
| Monday 3rd November                                 | Non Pupil Day                 |