

Welcome

It has been another busy week at Paignton Academy. A big thank you to the huge number of parents and pupils who attended the Year 9 Options evening at Waterleat Road on Tuesday and Borough Road on Wednesday. The options evening is the start of a key process when our end of Key Stage 3 pupils start to think of the choices they make for the final two years at the Academy and which will best prepare them for the next stage of their educational journey. It was wonderful therefore to see such a big turnout for these evenings. Please see below a selection of some of the events that have been taking place at the Academy this week.

Library & Homework Club



Our Libraries across both sites are open before school, at break and lunchtimes and after school.

Before school, students can attend Breakfast Club which is absolutely free. They are served toast with a choice of toppings and juice. The library equipment is also available during this time.

Homework Club takes place at lunchtimes and after school.

This is the perfect opportunity for students to complete any homework that is due by using one of the library Chromebooks.

Both sites also provide a large selection of board and card games for students to play during their social time and of course an incredible array of books.



Student Success Husky Racing!



Paignton Academy would like to congratulate Ryan in Year 9. He recently took 2 first places in J2 at the - British Siberian Husky Racing Association
Well Done Ryan!



We Need Your Help!



Tesco Stronger Starts

We are delighted to announce that Paignton Academy's Duke of Edinburgh scheme has been successful in applying for the Tesco Stronger Starts grant. This is the system that allows you to place blue plastic coins into a box every time you shop at Tesco and so to vote for a community project that you would like to receive a grant from Tesco.

Voting will commence in stores from mid-January until the end of March 2024 and will be in the following stores ...



Torquay Babbacombe Road
Torquay Barton
Torquay Express

Torquay Fleet Street
Torquay Lymington
Paignton Torquay Road

Paignton Victoria Street
Brixham Express



To vote, all you need to do is make a purchase of any value in one of these stores and you will receive a token! One token is allocated for each transaction.

It would be amazing if you could show your support by voting for our school. The first prize for the grant is £1500 which we would put towards new equipment, especially tents, for our students who take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

As always, thank you to all our parents/guardians and the wider community for your continued support and happy voting!

Thank you for your Support

Year 9 Netball End of Season Tournament



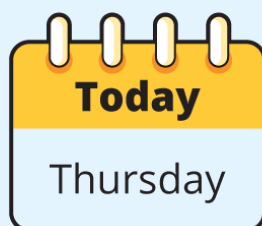
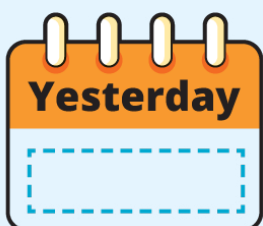
The Year 9 netball team were a credit to the school in the recent South Devon Tournament, showing wonderful improvement in every game and throughout the tournament.

With Scarlett as captain and the coach's Player of the Day being chosen as Charlie, who played Goalkeeper and Goal Defence, the team is really coming on.

Congratulations to all the girls!



Dates for Your Diary



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| Year 8 | Parents' Evening | 22/02/24 |
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| Year 9 | PPE Exams commence | 17/01/24 |
| | Exam results sent home | 07/02/24 |
| | Parents' Evening | 08/02/24 |
| | Options booking opens | 19/02/24 |