

# Paignton Academy Believe and Achieve

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### Welcome

It has been a busy week at Paignton Academy. Our Creative Arts department (together with a huge number of pupils) are hard at work preparing for our Academy show of Matilda.

A real highlight this week has been our *We Are One* TSAT event centred around World Book Day, which saw staff dress up as their favourite characters from literature together with a number of events that were put on for our pupils, such as the Murder Mystery of "Demise of Mrs Deane." All of these events captivated our pupils and it was wonderful to hear so many discussions and conversations take place on reading and literature. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, *Mr Williams* 

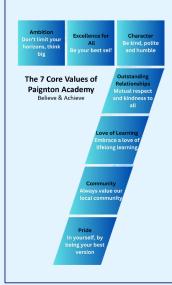


#### Students of the Month



Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded Student of the Month for January 2024

		Broadsands	Elberry	Goodrington	Preston
	Borough Road	Toby Koreen	Holly Platt	Oliver Meadon	Ashton Steele
	Waterleat Road	Serenna Barrett	Marcus Hill	Ellie Spooner	Ollie Moremi



# Thank you Hollywood Bowl!

Paignton Academy would like to thank Hollywood Bowl Torquay for donating free games of bowling for our students, which will be used as prizes in our Golden Ticket Draws.

Our students are able to earn Golden Tickets from every lesson if they show one of our core values – Ambition, Excellence from all for all, Character, Outstanding Relationships, Love of Learning, Community and Pride.



# Mental Health Ambassadors

Waterleat Road Form Captains took part in a Mental Health Ambassador training day lead by the Mental Health Support Team from Children & Family Health Devon.

They learnt about how to create a positive mental health in both themselves and others.

They came up with lots of brilliant ideas on how we can help others in gaining a healthy mindset.

Our Form Captains are now ready to assist their fellow peers in creating a safe and welcoming environment for all. Thank you to everyone involved.



#### U12 Football

Our U12s girls' Football team played in their first Central Venue fixture against a host of other schools.

It was the team's first time playing together and they were excellent, showing great pride in representing the Academy!

Our team came away from the fixture the overall winners having won 3 games and drawn 1.

Congratulations everyone! You were excellent and Miss Leahy is very proud of you.





World Book Day was a roaring success and is a shared *We Are One* event that is replicated across all the schools in the Trust. Multiple activities took place on both sites from scavenger hunts to guess the teacher competition, a specialist lunch menu, assemblies, staff dressing up as literary characters, crosswords and within Years 7 and 8 English lessons a challenge to design a cartoon strip. The winning entry across the Trust will be made into a full book from a professional illustrator and cartoonist.

The real highlight of the day was a murder mystery investigation that was organised in both libraries to improve and develop students' reading and comprehension skills. There was a real buzz and an appetite amongst the students to take part. Congratulations to those that chose Lucas as the murderer! Prizes will be handed out in due course.



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Dates for Your Diary				Exams	28/02/24 - 09/03/24		
Year 7	Parents' Evening	27/03/24	Year 11	GCSE Exams Start	09/05/24		
Voor 10	Exams	17/04/24 - 26/04/24	All years	Academy Show -	20/03/24 - 22/03/24		
Year 10	Parents' Evening	16/05/2024	All years	Matilda Jr			