

"I think this was one of the greatest experiences of my life, it was amazing!"

Participating student 2023

LIMITED
SPACES
AVAILABLE

GET
YEAR-7
READY



THE BIG STEP TRANSITION PROGRAMME AT:

PAIGNTON ACADEMY

12 - 16 AUGUST 2024

THE
BIG
STEP!

YEAR 6-7
TRANSITION
PROGRAMME

OUR 2024 PROGRAMME AT Paignton Academy

The BIG Step invites your child on our transition programme, to achieve:

- ✓ **Smoother transition** from primary to secondary school
- ✓ **Develop and improve** students' self-esteem and confidence
- ✓ **Familiarising them** with their new surroundings
- ✓ Help to meet and **make new friends**
- ✓ Provide a **taster of activities and learning**, allowing students to gain new skills and knowledge

How to help them make the transition to secondary school – it's something we all worry about.

It's a big step and you want to do everything you can for them

A secondary school teacher myself, I set up **The BIG Step** in 2018, to help ease the transition from primary to secondary school. I saw those September nerves in the children I taught. I knew that a little summer preparation would make all the difference. Some kids hit the ground running, others need gentle encouragement.

It's the small things that make it a big step.

**“Will I find my way around?” “Will I fit in?”
“Where are the loos?” “Will I make friends?”**

Our one-week summer programme tackles all this and more. We work really closely with schools to offer just the right programme to help your child make the big step.

Oh, and we have a lot of fun along the way.

Dan Leverton *Founder of The Big Step*

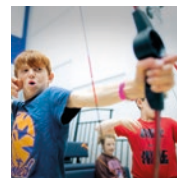
2024 SUMMER TRANSITION PROGRAMME What is the cost?

£120 FOR THE WEEK*

£20 deposit
Guarantees your
child's place

*That's just
£24 a day!*

Choose
to pay in
instalments



It was phenomenally successful.

When you have the opportunity to sign up to the programme, I couldn't recommend it more!!! It was brilliant.

Tina Graham *Principal, Kingsbridge Community College*



* If your child receives free school meals or has at any point in the past two years you may be entitled to a reduced cost.

‘MAKING THE **BIG STEP** A SMALLER STEP’

Make friends. Make food. Make music. Make a mess. Complete the sc...
 igs. Build a team. Compete together. **Build confidence.** Discover the sc...
 unds. **Dance and do drama.** Get arts and crafty. Go on a scavenger hunt.
 Find the loos. Find yourself. Find the loos. **Get arts and crafty.** Fall down.
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 Meet your tutor group. Explore some more. Visit classrooms. Get excited
Get psyched. Unlock your potential. Unleash your... Inner year 7.



STUDENT FEEDBACK

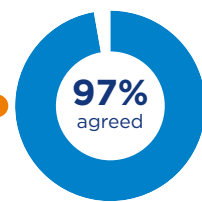
Numbers

Don't just take our word for it, see what students have to say about our summer transition programme:

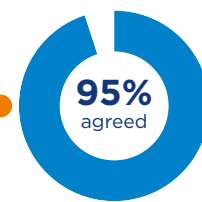
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CHILDREN
have attended
since 2019



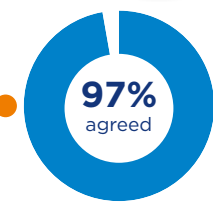
I HAD FUN at the summer school



The activities provided were **VARIED AND ENGAGING**



Summer school has **HELPED ME PREPARE** for September



I WOULD RECOMMEND 'The BIG Step' to other students

PARENT FEEDBACK

"I'm so glad she has gone **from scared witless and tears to excitement about starting a new school.** I am forever grateful. Thanks again Dan. You guys are awesome. P.S. It was **totally 100% worth the money.**

"Such a **genius way of integrating Year 7 children into the school.** Good size groups, my daughter made 5 new friends immediately!"

"Honestly - it was fantastic! **My son had such a great time,** made lots of new friends, and looked forward to going every day!"

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How to Book



Scan the
QR code

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with your smartphone
camera + press
the link



Click onto
thebigstep.org

and follow the
steps on our
website

✉ **info@thebigstep.org**

email with any questions

TAKE A LOOK AT OUR FAQs

**A must
for all new
Year 7s**

Suzanne, Parent



Average Parent Rating: 9.6/10



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