

Welcome

Thank you to all our Year 7 parents/guardians who attended Parents' Evening yesterday. We were extremely happy to see so many of you in attendance.

Please take a look at what has been happening in the final week of the Spring term. I look forward to welcoming all our students back for the start of the Summer term on Monday 15th April.

May I take this opportunity to wish all students, parents/guardians, staff and friends of Paignton Academy a very restful Easter break.

Mr Williams

The popularity of basketball continues to rise!

Last week a considerable number of players faced off against a Year 8 team from Teignmouth.

Our team comprised of both boys and girls from Years 7 and 8, challenging a fully-fledged Year 8 visiting team, presenting a formidable task, notably in terms of height differentials.

We were delighted to welcome several newcomers to the team, resulting in the highest player turnout ever for a basketball fixture.

The upcoming week marks the finale with an inter-school tournament scheduled at Borough Road.



Under 15's Netball Competition



On Friday our U15's Netball team played in the state school competition that took place in the Hub.

The day started in pool rounds. We played 3 matches winning 2 and losing 1.

This placed us 2nd in our pool and we then played 3 games in group B. We were down to 7 players with no option to rest.

The girls kept going, but you could see the tiredness was kicking in. However, everyone played with heart and kept going until the end!

We finished 8th out of 16 with several players playing 1 or 2 years above themselves. I am very proud of the girls for the

resilience they showed and the sheer determination to keep going even when they were exhausted.

Special Thanks to our G&T coach Ann for umpiring and managing the team.

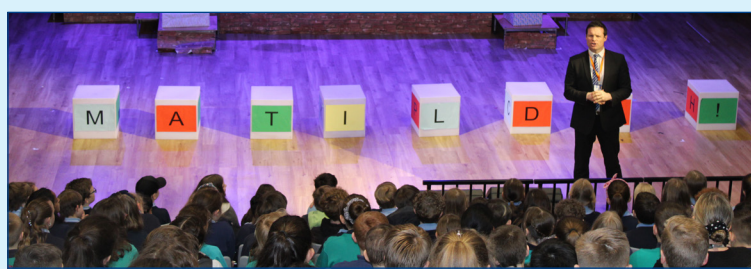
MATILDA JR.!

We would like to say a massive thank you to all the amazing primary schools that attended our Paignton Academy show, Matilda Jr. last week!

The atmosphere was amazing and the children's behaviour was exemplary. We very much enjoyed them singing and cheering along!

We really hope all the students enjoyed the show and cannot wait to see you all again soon!

Curledge Street Academy Kings Ash Academy Roselands Primary White Rock Primary School Collaton St Mary C of E Primary Marlton C of E Primary School Preston Primary School Galmpton C of E Primary School Oldway Primary School Hayes School Sacred Heart RC Nursery & Primary School



Tesco Stronger Together

We'd like to remind you 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 the community project that you would like to receive a grant from Tesco.

Voting is open until the end of March 2024 and will be in the following stores:

Torquay - Babbacombe Road, Barton, Torquay Express, Fleet Street, Lymington

Paignton - Torquay Road, Victoria Street

Brixham - Brixham Express

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.

Happy voting!

It's the last weekend to add tokens . Ends 31st March



Dates for Your Diary

Year 10	Exams	17/04/24 - 26/04/24
	Parents' Evening	16/05/2024
Year 11	GCSE Exams Start	09/05/24
All Years	We Are One - World Earth Day	22/04/24



We would like to wish all of our parents, guardians, students and staff a wonderful Easter break!

We look forward to seeing you all back at school on **Monday 15th April 2024** for the Summer term.