

Paignton Academy

Believe and Achieve

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Welcome

Welcome back to the Summer Term. I do hope that all parents, guardians and pupils had an enjoyable, peaceful and relaxing Easter holiday. Thankfully it looks as if the weather has (finally!) improved and we can all now look forward to a much dryer and sunnier term than what we have all experienced before! As ever, it has been a busy start to this term and end to the last one. In particular I would like to thank all of our pupils for their contribution towards our student led school charity of choice for this year, Rowcroft Hospice. As you can see from the newsletter below, we raised during the recent Mufti Day an amazing £1070 for this great local charity. Also during the Easter holidays, some of our pupils went on the school ski trip. The pictures below (and stories) show what a truly memorable experience this was for everyone. This term, our Trust (TSAT) is focusing on World Earth Day (the environment) as our whole trust event and I am very much looking forward to seeing how our great pupils embrace this. Wishing you a relaxing weekend as always, Mr Williams.

Year 7 Science Home Learning



Our Year 7 students have been delving into the topics of flowers, pollination, and germination as part of their Science lessons.

In addition, students have been growing broad beans during class sessions.

Their home learning has been excellent and has been a really useful way of helping them to understand how plants grow.



Mufti Day – 28th March

Thank you to all our students and staff who donated to Rowcroft Hospice for our Mufti Day at the end of last term!

We are proud to announce we raised an amazing £1070.12 for our nominated school charity!



United Against Bullying Bronze Award

We are proud to announce we have been awarded the United Against Bullying BRONZE School Status. This has been achieved by the work we have done to reduce bullying and improve wellbeing for pupils in our school. For context, only 296 schools have completed this programme and we are very proud of our Bronze status.









World Earth Day

Taking Place on 22nd April 2024. Please watch this space for our next Thinking Schools - #WeAreOne event - World Earth Day.



There are so many simple changes we can make that will support our goal to become more sustainable and ecologically minded.

We want to use this event as an opportunity to spotlight some of the brilliant suggestions put forth to the Trust by our very own Trust Student Council.

These events are shared and replicated across schools in the trust.

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page for further details.

We can all make a difference!

Andorra Ski Trip 2024







The recent ski trip was nothing short of an exhilarating adventure, filled with laughter, challenges, and remarkable achievements. From the initial struggles of walking in ski boots to conquering challenging slopes, the journey was as rewarding as it was memorable.

The first day at ski school marked a slow start, as students grappled with the awkwardness of maneuvering in ski boots. However, spirits remained high, and soon enough, everyone found their footing on the snow. Despite the fatigue setting in, the day concluded with a sense of accomplishment and anticipation for the days ahead.

As the days progressed, so did the skills of our young skiers. Venturing beyond the nursery slopes, they tackled the chair lift and embraced more challenging terrain with admirable resilience. We witnessed impressive feats, from mastering techniques to daring ventures on harder blue and red slopes, and even attempts at skiing backwards.

As the penultimate day unfolded, students found themselves at the peak of the Andorran Pyrenees, soaking in breathtaking views and engaging in a spirited snowball fight against teachers. The final day on the slopes saw students pushing their limits, attempting harder slopes, and relishing every moment of the snowy playground.

Amidst tired yet satisfied children, the journey home began. Despite a slight delay waiting for the ferry, spirits remained high as memories of the trip lingered in their minds. As the journey concluded, certificates and awards were handed out, marking not just the end of an adventure but also the beginning of cherished memories. It wasn't just about skiing prowess; the trip celebrated qualities like resilience, good behavior, and maturity, with special awards recognizing outstanding individuals.

In reflection, the ski trip was more than just a recreational excursion; it was a journey of personal growth and genuine memorable experiences. As we bid farewell to the slopes, we carry with us the lessons learned, the triumphs celebrated and willingness to do it all again next year.















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Dates for Your Diary

V10	Exams	17/04/24 - 26/04/24
Year 10	Parents' Evening	16/05/2024
Year 11	GCSE Exams Start	09/05/24

World Earth Day	All Years	We Are One - World Earth Day	22/04/24	
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