



Hayle Academy

6th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to share some key information with you and to celebrate the fantastic endeavours and achievements of our students.

- Well done to our Year 11 students who are almost at the end of their Spring mock exams. Their conduct has been impressive and we will share further information with parents and carers about how students can sign up to our Easter holiday revision sessions shortly.
- It has been very pleasing to receive such positive feedback about Year 10 students who are currently undertaking work experience as part of National Careers Week. Year 8 students have also been working with Cornwall Marine School today as part of our careers and STEM offer.
- You may be aware that some students have been involved in the development and build of our new Outdoor Education Classroom. The students involved showed incredible resilience and this marks the first of our Legacy Projects.
- Year 7 students have really impressed in their use of digital technology to enhance their learning through the introduction of iPads as part of our blended approach alongside their exercise book. We look forward to the next stage of our strategy which sees Year 10 students receiving one to one devices on Wednesday 17th April to enhance teaching and learning.

Parent Survey

At Hayle Academy, we are committed to continuous improvement.

As part of this, we would be grateful if you could complete our parental survey via this link:

<https://forms.gle/fHtwY6sPEeAjrReB8>

To help support our evaluation, please focus your answers on **this school year**.

The survey will **close on Thursday 28th March at midday**.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this survey as your feedback is very important to us.

Although it is an optional choice, it would be most helpful if parents and carers could provide their name and contact details in the survey to enable us to respond to specific feedback.

We will, of course, share the main findings with parents and carers as well as any further identified actions that are taken to support our continued development.

Term Dates 2024-25

Looking ahead to the next academic year **2024-2025** and in light of previous feedback from families, I thought that this would be a useful time to share the term dates and staff training days in advance.

The term dates for 2024-25 are now available on our website: [Term-Dates-2024-25.pdf \(hayleacademy.net\)](https://www.hayleacademy.net/term-dates-2024-25.pdf)

- Two training days at the start of the Autumn term: Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September 2024. Therefore, students will return from Wednesday 4th September. This will be a staggered return with Year 7 and 11 on the 4th and all years from the 5th onwards.
- Training days on the Thursday 19th September 2024 and Monday 4th November 2024.
- Two January training days, one of which will be a joint secondary conference across the Trust: Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th January 2025. Therefore, students will start the Spring 2024 term on the Wednesday 8th January 2025 onwards.
- The last day of the summer term for students will be Monday 21st July 2025.

Key Dates:

- We are celebrating **World Book Day** tomorrow with a range of exciting opportunities and challenges. Students in Year 7, 8 and 9 can sign up to dress up as a recognisable book character. Please note that tomorrow is **not** a non-uniform day. Students are expected to wear either full school uniform, full PE kit (as it is Broad Horizons) or KS3 book character. Other reading challenges are available – please contact mrice@hayle.tpacademytrust.org or visit our Facebook page for more info.
- **Year 10 parents and carers** are invited to our Digital Transformation Parent Information Event on Tuesday 12th March – please see letter from Mrs Leech for more details.
- **A group of Year 9 students** are involved in an Articulatory project next week in partnership with Next Steps South West – students who are involved have received more details from Mrs Wilson.
- **Some Year 7 students** are working hard to prepare for the Lego League Competition at Culdrose next Wednesday. We wish them the best of luck.
- **Wednesday 20th March** – Performing Arts theatre trip to **Blood Brothers** in Plymouth.
- **Wednesday 27th March** – our residential overseas trip to **Iceland** commences led by Mr Leech. We hope that everyone has a fantastic experience and thank you to all staff involved.
- **End of Spring term:** the last day in school for students for this term is **Thursday 28th March** and school will end at the normal time.
- Students will return to school as normal on **Monday 15th April** at the start of the Summer term.
- **Save the date: Year 7 and Year 8** parents and carers are invited with their child to attend our **open classroom evening on Tuesday 30th April from 3.30pm**. This provides the

opportunity to meet and discuss your child's progress with their subject teachers as well as review their work. No appointments are necessary.

Thank you once again for taking the time to provide feedback through the survey link; your support and feedback is very much appreciated.

If you would like to discuss any further support for your child or any aspect of their education, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Melissa Lock
Headteacher