



Hayle Academy

29th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of the Autumn term, I wish to share a number of updates with you, including our end of term arrangements.

Reflecting on this term so far, I would like to congratulate our students for their commitment to their learning, how they have positively embraced the use of digital technology in the classroom, for all of their positive contributions to school life and to our community. A few highlights are recognised below but please do follow our school Facebook page to see our regular updates and celebrations: <https://www.facebook.com/hayleacademy/>

- Another fantastic term for our Broad Horizons programme: well done to all students from angling, archery and trail running to coding, DofE and clay work in partnership with Leach Pottery and Bodriggy Academy students.
- It has been great to see so many students involved in our trips and visits, such as the Porthpean residential for Year 7 and 8 students, as well as the Year 8 trip to see the production of War Horse at the Theatre Royal, Plymouth. I was delighted to receive such positive feedback from members of the public who contacted me to congratulate our Year 8 students on their exemplary conduct at the theatre.
- Thank you to all students and staff who represented our school at the Hayle Town Remembrance Service and parade.
- Again, a huge thank you to all our students, families and staff for all of the Hayle Foodbank donations as part of our House Harvest Festival and House advent calendar collection.
- Well done to students who have represented our school this term, including at sports fixtures and in our new House school council.
- It has been a pleasure to see Year 11 and Year 10 students who are reading with Year 7 and Year 8 students each day along with the fantastic progress and commitment shown by Key Stage Three students through our daily home reading programme.
- Overall, our Year 11 students have really impressed with their conduct through their first mock exam series. We wish to thank all Year 11 students and families for your support at our recent post-16 information evening.

Thank you to all of our incredible staff team, and to our parents and carers, for all of your support, enabling all of these opportunities and so much more to be offered to our students.

Last day of term

As a reminder to all parents and carers, our term ends for students on **Friday 20th December**. Students can wear non-school uniform on this day, although please ensure that all clothing is appropriate for school. For example, crop-style tops are not permitted.

We propose our traditional end of year arrangement, with a shorter day for students. All students will be able to have lunch and will have a final farewell with their tutor group before departing school at 13:00. At the start of the day,

students will have the chance to take part in celebratory House assemblies, including the House Point auction and attendance prize draws, centred around positive engagement in school and learning.

However, **if your child accesses the county bus or taxi transport service**, these buses/ taxis are unable to collect at an earlier time and will remain available at 15:05. Please can you complete the following survey link if your child accesses the county transport service: <https://forms.gle/AVXDZ12XUQeoJUrZ6>, to indicate whether your child will remain on site until 15:05 or whether other alternative arrangements will be made by yourself. If your child remains on site, they will remain supervised in an IT room until the end of the day.

The survey link will close at midday on Tuesday 17th December; thank you in advance for completing this link if your child accesses county transport. Please note, if your child accesses the school's own Camborne mini bus service, the mini bus will transport students home at the earlier time of 13:00.

January 2025 return to school

Just a reminder that we look forward to welcoming students back to school after the Christmas break on **Wednesday 8th January 2025** at the normal time. Students will return on Week A of their timetable.

Please note that the 6th and 7th January are training days for staff with a particular focus on pedagogy, specifically high quality oracy, and maximising the impact of the digital technology on teaching and learning.

Students have now signed up for their Spring Broad Horizons offer. The **first Broad Horizons Spring session will start on the afternoon of Thursday 9th January** and fortnightly from that point.

For more information about what your child is studying in the next half term, please do take a look at our whole-school curriculum calendar available on our website: [Whole School CurriculumCalendar 2023-24](#)

Other key information

- Thank you to parents and carers for your continued support with your child's attendance this term. From Monday 2nd December, we are running our '**15 Days of Christmas**' reward programme. Those students who attend every day for the 15 school days from the 2nd December, will have their name placed in a prize draw and could win rewards! These will be drawn on our final day of term in our House assemblies – there will be prizes available for each House.
- Our **Performing Arts residential trip** to London is fast approaching on the 5th and 6th December! If you have any questions, please contact the Trip Leader, Miss Rule, via crule@hayle.tpacademytrust.org.
- Each morning, from Tuesday 17th December, the top 30 students for each year group on attendance and house points, will be invited to a **celebration breakfast** with school leaders.
- **Christmas Jumper Day** is taking place on **Thursday 12th December** in support of Save the Children as part of the national Christmas Jumper Day. Students will continue to wear their school uniform but may wish to replace their school jumper with an appropriate Christmas jumper for a small donation of £1 for the Save the Children charity.
- **Christmas lunch** is available in the canteen on the 11th and 18th December.
- All Year 7 students and all students based in our ARB are looking forward to their trip to the Hall for Cornwall to watch the pantomime on Tuesday 17th December. Further details are available from the Trip Leader, Miss Rule.

- Our **Winter Concert** is taking place in our hall at 17:30 on **Thursday 12th December**. Tickets are free and, due to popularity, we will be allocating two tickets per child to parents/carers of the students performing in the show. If you would like to be added to the waiting list, please contact enquiries@hayle.tpacademytrust.org.
- Progress reports following the Autumn assessment window will be shared with parents and carers for Years 8 and 9 on Friday 20th December. Year 11 will receive their results on Thursday 19th December as part of a 'mock results day'. Spring reports will include Year 7 and Year 10.
- Save the date: we are holding our **Year 11 parents' evening on Thursday 9th January 2025**. Further details will be shared with Year 11 parents and carers on how to book prior to the end of term.

As we move into December, students will be continuing their learning in each subject and I would like to thank all our students in advance for continuing to work hard and to focus right until the very end.

As ever, we are very grateful for the ongoing support of parents and carers. 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. Wishing you all a very merry, restful and safe Christmas when it arrives.

With best wishes



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