## Welcome to Paignton Academy!



## Dear Student,

We are really looking forward to welcoming you as part of our Academy. We always say that you will probably meet your best friends at Paignton Academy, other Year 7s who you haven't met before. There will be so many more students here from lots of other primary schools that you'll get to know who share the same interests as you, whether that is sport, music, drama or art. You'll really enjoy being at our school.

On Friday 13th June we will tell you which tutor group, house and site you will be placed on. We have four houses all named after local beaches, Broadsands, Elberry, Goodrington and Preston and you will join that house for your whole time at our school. Everyone is part of the same school, our sports teams, shows and performances are always made up from students from both the Waterleat Road and Borough Road sites and any reward trips for Year 7s will always have students from both sites. This year we organised reward trips to the Vue Cinema, Alton Towers, Woodlands, AMF Bowling and Splashdown water park.

At Paignton Academy in every lesson one student is presented with a golden ticket, these tickets will be put in a draw for amazing prizes at the end of each term. You will also be recognised and rewarded for a positive attitude and hard work with praise points. Staff very much believe that if you always work hard and put in maximum effort then you will be very successful. You will have the opportunity to spend praise points on purchases such as stationary, shopping or cinema vouchers.

We really hope you enjoy your last few months of primary school. The best piece of advice I can give you is to read every day for at least 20 minutes from now until September and beyond. Reading a variety of materials, fiction and non-fiction books, magazines and newspapers will really help you be really successful in all subjects and support you to gain the highest grades and best job opportunities when you are older.

We very much look forward to seeing you for two days on the Year 6 induction days, Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th July.

Best wishes

Mr Carpenter Assistant Principal

