

Bay Education Trust



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Better Educational Standards Together *A VALUES-LED ORGANISATION FROM 2 TO 22*

Dear Colleagues

During September and early October Board Director, Ros Ryman and I spoke to the vast majority of members of the BET staff across all three academies concerning our common vision, mission and values. We are keen to continue to engage as directly as possible with staff and therefore will be commissioning an Employee Engagement Survey during the second part of the autumn term.

I would ask that all staff complete the survey so the Board can gain as complete a picture as possible of staff views and opinions. The Board are determined to fulfil one of the key aspects of our mission by ensuring that, 'Our employees and partners are able to be the best they can be by investing in them in order that they will develop as high quality and valued members of staff.'

The Trust has secured considerable capital funding during the last twelve months or so and is as a result rapidly improving its premises; by very careful financial management we have stabilised our finances and we are continually seeking to improve outcomes for our students within the classroom.

The Employee Engagement Survey will enable all staff to contribute directly into managerial thinking and it will therefore influence future decisions as we continue to strive to create outstanding academies within our Trust.

Stephen Kings
CEO Bay Education Trust
October 2018

Trust Wide CPD

Online Independent Professional Learning Opportunities

We are delighted to have launched our independent professional learning programme in collaboration with South Devon College. There are a huge range of training opportunities available; any staff interested in accessing these opportunities should complete the below form to get started.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=OEmU8PsDX0ebNe3EL1uIU5RrdaXU05DrIIsIe7b1WJUN1IHUkdQQ1ZaMzBUV1FKRThKUKw1WDBLTC4u>

Open Door - Sharing Best Practice

An open classroom door culture is encouraged throughout the school year and is an excellent opportunity for sharing good practice. We will be specifically promoting "open doors" during the weeks listed below:

- Open Door Week @South Devon College w/c 8th Oct.
- Open Door Week @PCSA w/c 5th Nov

For further information please contact - jessica.hunter@paigntonacademy.org

BET Non-Pupil Evening at PCSA

Our next BET Non-Pupil Evening at PCSA is on the 8th November and will focus on Safeguarding and national changes. The latest *Keeping Children Safe in Education* document can be found on the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/keeping-children-safe-in-education--2>

NQT Support and Development Programme

As always, access is available for all BET staff to the weekly NQT programme at PCSA – there are a range of focus areas to choose from. If interested please contact: jo.hobbis@paigntonacademy.org for further information.

Coming Soon - Best Practice Workshop – Teaching, Learning and Outcomes

Best Practice workshops are planned at PCSA on the 31.01.19 and 24.06.19 – further details will be made available to all Trust members once details are finalised.

Continuing
Professional
Development

BET News – CIF Project Progress Updates

Waterleat Road CIF Project

The Waterleat Road ‘weather tightness’ project will commence on site during half term, with full scaffolding planned for the entire block to be refurbished. After going out to tender, local company *Storm Force* have been selected as the preferred contractor and we look forward to working with them over the coming year.

I would like to thank all Trust members for their continued involvement in both projects including Andrew Medhurst, Lisa Finn, Claire Blagdon, Andy Wotton, Allan Cook and Tim Willcocks.



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Borough Road CIF Project

Staff and students alike were extremely excited to see a major step forward recently with the start of the demolition phase of the Borough Road CIF project. Specialist demolition contractors, Gilpins, are making excellent progress whilst ensuring that works are undertaken to the highest standards of health and safety.



Architects, Kensington Taylor, have now completed the final building design and planning permission has been sought. This design includes a new kitchen and dining area which will provide significantly improved catering provision for our students, alongside a multi-use assembly hall. The hall will incorporate seating for approximately 300 students and will enable the Trust to deliver high quality teaching and educational opportunities. We are pleased to announce that we have also appointed Midas Group to undertake the construction of the new building.

Jason Trevarthen
Deputy Head of School, PCSA



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Paignton Community & Sports Academy News



Tesco 'Bags of Help'

We are delighted to let you know that our application to the Tesco 'Bags of Help' grant scheme has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores during November and December 2018.

PCSA will be featured from the 1st November and if we get the most tokens we will receive £4000! To vote, you will need to make an in-store purchase of any value. You will receive one token per transaction (it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token).

The following stores are participating:

- Barton Express, Torquay, TQ2 8HW (2304)
- Brixham Express, TQ5 8DX (5919)
- Paignton Metro, TQ4 5DL (4898)
- Paignton Express, Torquay Road, TQ3 2EZ (5891)
- Torquay Express, Babbacombe Road, TQ1 3SN (6087)
- Torquay Express, TQ1 4RY (3296)
- Torquay Express, Lymington, TQ1 4AQ (5910)
- Torquay Metro, TQ1 1DB (3287)

TESCO
Bags of Help

Please get all your family and friends involved!

Successful Music Bid

We have recently been awarded £2000 for musical equipment from the Ernest Cook Trust. Students and staff are delighted and are looking forward to using the equipment in our upcoming performances.

Our thanks go to Aquara Bidder and Emma Varney for all their hard work in applying for the bid.

Kings Ash Academy News



Dedication of Furniture Kindly Donated by the Rotary Club of Paignton for the Kings Ash Academy Quiet Area

On Tuesday 2nd October Marion Page from the Rotary Club of Paignton kindly attended Kings Ash Academy to officially dedicate and hand over a wonderful selection of outdoor wooden furniture to the School Council; Executive Headteacher, Jess Humphrey; Head of School, Laura Kies, and Bay Education Trust CEO, Stephen Kings. The furniture was generously donated to the school in the summer term when Marion was President and includes dedication plaques from the Rotary Club. The Academy is extremely grateful for the Rotary Club's continued support and is looking forward to working alongside Sue and Mike Kirkham on a new sails project for the KS1 outdoor area.



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Curlledge Street Academy News



Platinum Power!!

Curlledge Street Academy has achieved the School Games Platinum Mark Award for the 2017/18 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a government led award scheme launched in 2012 and facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and in the community. We are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include winning the Year 5/6 County Futsal tournament and winning the Year 3/4 Large School South Football League, as well as qualifying for the county finals for tennis, rounders, hockey, tag rugby, athletics and cross country festivals.

With a total of 360 young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to all of the staff at Curlledge Street Academy, Nick Gillard and John Julyan from Paignton Community and Sports Academy, Torbay Leisure Centre and Torbay and District Primary Football Association.

We look forward to applying once again in 2020!

"The opportunities afforded to our children following five years of high quality PE provision are evident in the outcomes for children both at a competitive and personal level."

*Jessica Humphrey
Executive Headteacher*



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