



Welcome to
Pool Academy



Dream Big Take Responsibility Be Kind



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WELCOME

From the Head of School



It is an absolute privilege to welcome you to **Pool Academy**.

We provide a welcoming environment where all children can thrive and reach their full potential. We ensure high expectations for all students, with exceptional support for all. Our culture is built on warmth and kindness between staff and students.

Everything we do is driven by our three values:

- **Dreaming Big:** We challenge our students to be aspirational and believe there are no limits to what they can achieve.
- **Taking Responsibility:** We empower students to take ownership of their learning, their actions, and their role within our wider community.

- **Being Kind:** Compassion is at the heart of our school, fostering a culture of empathy and respect where everyone feels valued.

My favourite part of the Pool Academy day is our morning Greeting. Within year groups we give our students any equipment, uniform and other items they may need to be successful throughout the day. I love listening to the motivational message which the Greeting Lead shares with our students and staff. Starting the day all together as a school community inspires us to live by our three values.

We are dedicated to equipping our young people with the qualifications and character they need to succeed, giving them an array of life choices.

I am eager to meet with many of you and am confident that your child will have a brilliant future at Pool Academy.

Mrs Tegen Thompson
Head of School



Student Leadership

At Pool Academy, leadership is about making a positive difference. We believe every student has the opportunity to develop confidence, responsibility and the skills to inspire others.

Students can take on a range of leadership opportunities, including student voice, representing the academy at events, supporting sports and enrichment activities, leading community initiatives, working with primary schools and promoting academic success. In Year 11, students may also apply for prestigious leadership positions such as Prefect and Head Student, acting as role models and ambassadors for the academy.

Whether leading a project, supporting younger students or representing the school, our student leaders are encouraged to take ownership, use their voices and create positive change. Through these experiences, they develop the confidence, teamwork and leadership skills that prepare them for success both in school and beyond.





Aspiration Beyond Pool Academy

At Pool Academy, we believe every student should leave with the knowledge, skills and self-confidence to achieve their ambitions and thrive in their future. From the moment students join us, we ask them about their '**Big Dream**' – their aspirations for life beyond school. By understanding each student's goals, we tailor careers education, workshops, enrichment opportunities and meaningful experiences to help them take positive action towards achieving their Big Dream.

Our careers programme is designed to broaden horizons and provide real-world experiences. Students benefit from meaningful encounters with employers, careers professionals and further education providers, including our annual Careers Fair, where every student has the opportunity to engage with a wide range of employers and organisations. They also take part in work experience, mock interviews, alumni talks and a variety of optional careers workshops, allowing them to explore pathways that match their interests and ambitions.

Whether students aspire to University, an apprenticeship, further education or employment, we ensure every young person leaves Pool Academy equipped with the knowledge, skills, confidence and experiences to take the next step towards a successful future.







Our Curriculum

At Pool Academy, learning is at the heart of everything we do. Our broad, balanced and ambitious curriculum develops subject knowledge alongside the skills, confidence and character students need for success in school and beyond.

We have high expectations for every student. Every lesson is carefully planned to provide a consistent, engaging and high-quality learning experience.

Students are challenged through opportunities such as the UK Maths Challenge, Science Olympiad and a wide range of enrichment activities.

By combining academic excellence with real-world relevance, we equip every student with the knowledge, skills and confidence to achieve excellent outcomes and thrive in their future.







TAKE RESPONSIBILITY

Building Partnerships, Together

As a school community, we believe that the best outcomes for students are achieved when home and school work in close partnership. We pride ourselves on offering a warm, personalised transition, and we warmly invite prospective students and their families to visit Pool Academy to begin that journey with us.





Your Voice Matters

The perspectives of our parents and carers are vital to our continuous growth. We actively seek your input and provide many avenues for us to collaborate throughout your child's education.

Our parents are overwhelmingly supportive, and through this strong, shared commitment, we ensure every student has the tools and encouragement they need to achieve their very best.





A Community of Opportunity

School life at Pool Academy is defined by a strong sense of belonging. Our students are supported by modern facilities and meaningful partnerships, creating a wealth of opportunities to excel both inside and outside the classroom.

Building the Foundation

We believe success is a team effort. By working closely with local businesses and industry professionals, we provide students with unique insights into the world of work. These partnerships allow our students to gain practical experience, build professional networks, and sharpen the problem-solving skills vital for their future.

Whether collaborating on industry-linked projects or engaging in our enrichment programmes, our students learn the value of collective effort. Through these experiences, they develop the resilience, character, and ambition necessary to lead great lives, fully prepared for the opportunities that lie ahead.







Make a Difference

Kindness is the foundation of our community. At Pool Academy, students take genuine responsibility for supporting one another, fostering a spirit of collaboration across all year groups.

Lead and Inspire

We offer a range of leadership opportunities and are proud to be part of the Healthy Schools Programme, which places physical and mental wellbeing at the heart of everything we do.

Our students are encouraged to lead with confidence through the Duke of Edinburgh's Award and our Sports Leadership programme. Empowered by our active Student Council and leadership team, our students are encouraged to have a real voice in school life. Whether through peer support, charitable fundraising, or wider community initiatives, they are tireless in their efforts to contribute positively to the world around them.







Be Yourself

Our community is a vibrant tapestry of unique talents and personalities. At Pool Academy, we believe in nurturing the whole child, ensuring every student has the space to grow, work hard, and express their true selves.



Recognition and Success

We take great pride in celebrating the success of all our students. Through our rewards system, we champion individual achievements not just in academic results, but in effort, character, and personal progress.

Whether your child is thriving in the classroom or growing through our extra-curricular programme, we provide the platform for them to shine. We are committed to ensuring every student feels valued, confident, and empowered to reach their full potential.



Sam – Portreath School

My name is Sam. I came from Portreath School. My favourite subjects are PE,

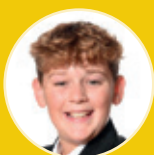
science and art. I like those subjects because they are interesting, fun and exciting. I am part of the football, hockey, rugby and basketball clubs. It is extremely easy to make friends in school. I came into school on the first day and I made friends straight away. All of the clubs at Pool Academy are super fun and you just turn up to take part. I have really enjoyed my time at Pool and I have made loads of new friends.



Pearl – Treloweth School

My name is Pearl. I'm from Treloweth School. My favourite subject is art or

English. I have been involved in the dance club. I enjoyed primary school a lot, but secondary school is even better. I can't wait to meet you. Hopefully you will be involved with lots of clubs and enjoy school as much as I do.



Elliot – Treloweth School

Hello, my name is Elliot. I am 11 and in Year 7. So far I have loved Pool Academy.

The teachers are so welcoming and kind. I have made so many new friends and joined so many new clubs such as football, history and DT. They bring a smile to my face. If you are worried about coming to our school, there are so many people to talk to such as the Pastoral Team or any person you feel comfortable with. If you are worried about getting to your lessons, there are always teachers to help you around the school.



Amelie – Treloweth School

My name is Amelie and I am having an amazing time at Pool Academy. My most

liked lessons are PE, drama and DT. I do many sports outside of school, like county cricket, football and netball but I also do school clubs like hockey, badminton and football. One reason why I love PE so much is because there is so much variety of sport. I like rugby, athletics, hockey and much more. I can assure you it is so easy to make new friends! I came here worried, but it turns out I didn't need to be, and I made so many friends! I look forward to seeing you at the start of September!

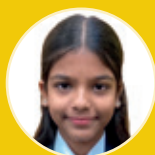


Brooke – Roskear School

My name is Brooke and I'm from Roskear School.

My favourite subjects are

music, drama, English and maths. I am a part of the drama, dance and choir club. The move has been easier than I thought. I've made a lot of new friends and have stuck with a few old ones but overall it's amazing here and I have been involved in lots of things such as Pool Academy's Talent Show (Christmas time), choir trip to the Princess Pavilions (February) and the Pool Academy Fashion Show (March).



Sreya – Chandag Primary School, Bristol

My name is Sreya. I am from Chandag Primary School in

Bristol. I moved to Cornwall in December and joined Pool Academy in January. My favourite subjects are art and history. I was really nervous on my first day, but when I met everyone they were all very welcoming and nice. Also, it was

really easy to make new friends and there were a lot of people with the same interests as me. I am a member of the badminton after school club.



Dixie – Pencoy School

My name is Dixie. I'm 12 years old and I'm here to tell you about Pool Academy. Pool

Academy is a school I don't think could get better! From football to music lessons, every teacher and student were super welcoming since the day I joined. At the start of my journey here at Pool Academy, the students in older years made me feel like I fit right in. To add to all of this, Pool Academy supports you and your dreams! I am Cornwall's Under 13s Champion and I travel up and down the country. Every teacher here supports me on my Olympic dreams and often talks to me about it. Also, I'm a huge Everton fan and teachers are always talking to me about how the game was or how I'm doing, making me feel happy to talk. By the second week of my starting, I already had three best friends who also supported me and my dream. Now I'm almost halfway through Year 7 and I'm thriving. School couldn't be better. It's all down to our amazing staff. Thank you for reading!

Reflections on a Year at Pool Academy



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