



# PAULTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



Friday 10th November 2023



### Bath in Bloom Gold Award Winners

We are thrilled to announce that Paulton Junior School have received the Gold Award from 'Bath in Bloom'. It is in recognition of the wonderful gardening work that the pupils get involved with by attending a club or in curriculum time, throughout the year. Our garden and grounds have various areas to grow plants, fruit and vegetables, many of which are grown from seed and then nurtured by the children in the potting shed, raised beds, pots or greenhouse. The special assembly was attended by Chair of B&NES Council Cllr Sarah Moore, Chair and Judges of Bath in Bloom and Cllr Grant Johnson, who is also a governor of the school. Mrs Shackleton and some year 6 pupils were presented with a trophy, an engraved fork, Daffodil bulbs and a cheque for £100, which will be spent on more resources for the garden.

### NETBALL WINNERS



Last term, Darcey, Skye, Tulla, Gracie, Poppy, Phoebe and Roxy went to Norton Hill school to play in the Midsomer Norton school's netball tournament. We turned up a bit nervous but very excited. Our first match went really well, we won! After a celebration and a positive chat, we played 3 more matches. 2 we won, the last match we lost. However, overall PJS team came FIRST overall! All the team were very happy with our achievements.

By Darcey

## BBC Children In Need Mufti Day

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November it is the BBC Children In Need charity day. The school are supporting this event and raising money by asking children and staff to have a non- uniform day. Wear Mufti and in return give a donation, on the day, of £1 to the charity.



## ODD SOCKS DAY 2023

Next week is the *Anti- Bullying Week 'Make A Noise About Bullying'*.



To launch the event and raise awareness, everyone at school is invited to **wear odd socks** with their school uniform on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**. In assemblies and PSHE lessons, our children will be taking part in activities linked to learning about what bullying means to us, how banter can be hurtful, what to do to stop bullying and keeping safe on line or on smartphones.

Below is a link for parents /carers to find out how to support your children

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/>

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>

REMEMBER to wear **ODD SOCKS** on Monday



## Running Festival

Before October half term, Tianna, Tommy, Archie, Kit and Sonny went to The Glass House in Bath with Mrs Langan and Mrs Norman for a Running Festival. In their year groups, the children had to run two laps of the field and then participated in a mixed relay to finish the afternoon. It was lots of fun and the children really enjoyed representing the school.

## Cup Match

This week the Girls Football team went to Chandag Juniors to compete in the Cup. They enjoyed the opportunity to play as a team; played really well and put in some good passes, attack and defence. The final score was 6-0 to Chandag.

## Football Tournament

On Tuesday, two boys' teams went from PJS to take part in the Football tournament at Somervale. Seven teams in total took part. Our A team came 2<sup>nd</sup> by 1 point and only lost 1 game. Our B team had a cracker of a match and beat the team 3-0. When our A team played the B team it was a thrilling end to end game with the A team winning 2-0. All the boys were a credit to the school and really showed effort and their resilience.

Our Paulton Junior School 6R values are

**RESPECT RESOURCEFUL RESILIENCE REASONING RESPONSIBILITY REFLECTIVE**

## Attendance

Being on time and attending school is very important. Occasionally, there may be a very genuine reason why your child can not come to school, usually sickness. The following percentages give you an idea of the impact of attendance up **until the end of Term 1:**

If your child has missed 4 sessions (2 days) their attendance is 95%

If your child has missed 8 sessions (4 days) their attendance is 88%

If your child has missed 16 sessions (8 days) their attendance is 80%

Over the year, there are 380 sessions and therefore as the year progresses, this gives a child the opportunity to improve their attendance. Mrs Rawlings has regular meetings with the Attendance and Welfare Officer for B&NES, to monitor and review individual pupil's attendance. If any issues arise regarding low attendance, the school will contact you. If you need support, please let the class teacher know.

## Can you volunteer on the PTA and help the school raise funds?

The school Parent Teacher Association needs new members. If you are able to volunteer some of your time to organise a fundraiser, help at an event or even take on a key role please let us know by phoning the Junior school office or email [PTA@paulton-inf.bathnes.sch.uk](mailto:PTA@paulton-inf.bathnes.sch.uk) It would be great to get one or two parent representatives for each of the Junior school classes so that we can organise fundraisers and share the responsibility across the year.

**The Christmas Fair** is on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**. If you are able to help with preparing or running the stalls, please get in touch.

**Clerk to the Governors** - We still have a vacancy for a Clerk to the governors. If you have clerking/admin experience or an existing clerk and would like to consider this vacancy which is a paid role, please contact the office for more details 01761 418137

## Diary Dates

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – 17<sup>th</sup> November** - Anti-Bullying week- 'Make a noise about bullying'

Wear Odd Socks Day to celebrate what makes us all unique

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** -Year 5 Bath Light at Night Event

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November** – BBC Children in Need Mufti Day - £1 donation

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November** – Road Safety Awareness Week -PCSO to visit school

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**- PTA School Christmas Fair after school

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 3 Christmas Assembly – parents invited (afternoon time tbc)

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 4 Christmas Assembly – parents invited (afternoon time tbc)

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 5 Christmas Assembly – parents invited (afternoon time tbc)

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 6 Christmas Assembly – parents invited (afternoon time tbc)

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of Term 2

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January**– INSET DAY – NO SCHOOL

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January** – TERM 3 Starts – All children back to school