



PAULTON JUNIOR SCHOOL



Friday 2nd February 2024

Our Paulton Junior School 6R values

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Diary Dates

Monday 5th February – Friday 9th February – Year 6 Skern Lodge trip

Thursday 8th February – Year 5 Astronomers Evening

Friday 9th February – End of Term 3

Monday 19th February – Inset day

Tuesday 20th February - Term 4 begins

Thursday 18th February - ***extra*** Young Voices club 3-4pm

Friday 23rd February – Young Voices trip, Birmingham

Thursday 7th March – Junior School PTA Discos

Years 3 & 4 - 3.45pm-4.45pm

Years 5 & 6 - 5pm- 6pm.

Year 6 – Skern Lodge Trip

It's that time of year again and our year 6 children (and staff) are heading out to brave the elements and challenges of school camp. They are all excited and looking forward to the trip to (sunny?) Devon. During the week, they undertake many trials: burrowing through tunnels; rafting down the River Torridge; scaling the heights of the climbing wall; and hitting the 'Bullseye' in Archery. Alongside these and many more fun activities the children will be well fed and cared for by the superb chefs and instructors onsite. Moreover, they will build upon their existing friendships and learn to work as a team.



Curriculum Focus on: ART



Year 3 – We have been off to the Himalayas with our art topic this term. Together – we've investigated vertical perspective and made tie-dye prints as background ready for us to create a landscape using fabric.

Year 4 – We have exploring minibeast anatomy through mixed media. We've been busy looking a tone with our pencil sketches; created beautiful drawings with charcoal; and we will soon be making relief prints.

Year 6 – We have been exploring *perspective* and *vanishing point* in our art lessons. We have been looking at how Renaissance artists, such as Brunelleschi have contributed to the mathematics of art. We have learned how draw objects in the foreground and background as well as using shading and tone to create the illusion of depth. Our work has culminated in our creation of our *book nooks*: 3D pictures of our own imaginary worlds which can be displayed on our bookshelves.

Paulton Schools' PTA

We would like to welcome the new PTA board: Frances Prior-Reeves as Chair and Charlotte Seabrook as Secretary, Jon Williams is to stay on as Treasurer.

We would like to thank Mel Rich and Juliet Webb for all of the work they've put into the PTA as Chair and Secretary and are happy that they are still committed to helping raise funds for the schools as PTA members.

We are looking for parents to join us at our ideas meetings every term, usually in week 2, and also build our list of volunteers to help at school events. We will be sending out a PTA interest form in the coming weeks.

Our Junior fund-raising event this term is on Thursday 7th March.

The Spring Disco

Years 3 & 4 - 3.45pm-4.45pm

Years 5 & 6 - 5pm- 6pm.

Details will follow in Term 4.

We are looking for volunteers to help run the event and invite you to join the planning meeting on Thursday 22nd February straight from school at the Juniors School or email PTA@paulton-inf.bathnes.sch.uk

Baby News!

We are thrilled to announce that Miss Russett has welcomed a baby daughter and both are doing really well.

Mrs Curtis will be leaving us on Friday 9th February to start her maternity leave. We wish her the very best wishes and cannot wait to hear the wonderful news of her new arrival, next term.

Great news! Mrs Truelove is returning back from her maternity in Term 4. She will be teaching her fantastic French lessons in every year group.

Year 5 – Viking Day

Year 5 were pleased to welcome back *Those History People* for their amazing Viking experience day. Throughout the day they dived into the Dark Ages – taking part in a whole host of Viking activities: candle making; weaving tribal bracelets; and they even took part in an archaeological dig.



BANES Inclusive Gymnastics Festival

On Thursday, some of our Year 4 children proudly represented the school at a Gymnastics Celebration at Writhlington Sports Centre. There were lots of activities to enjoy and try: bouncing on the trampolines; balancing on the beams; using the parallel bars; and trying out techniques and floor work. They learnt how to do forward and backwards rolls too! It was a fantastic opportunity to test out their balance and co-ordination. They had loads of fun and made new friends from other schools along the way.

Thank you...

Dear Halsall Construction,

Thank you for the new book cases and furniture. The bookcases have been placed around the school and really helped promote reading in Paulton Junior School. They have been used to store exciting curriculum books and foundation subject books such as evolution in science and Ancient Maya for history. The books have spread the love of reading around the school and influenced many children to pick up a new book and learn new things. Reading is an essential skill in life so we are so pleased that you have helped us to promote our reading across the school. Thank you so much for your very kind donation! It has helped us make our school a better place! We could not be more grateful for your support.

Yours sincerely

The Pupils at Paulton Junior School

