

Paulton Junior School Newsletter

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Somerset County Football Final

Paulton Junior School Football Team returned from Strode College in Street with their heads held high. They had done themselves very proud at the County Football Final. The team were representing BANES after winning the MSN Tournament and as such competed against the best 12 schools in Somerset. The team made up of; **Max Culverhouse (capt), Jack Maggs, Archie Mears, Josh Kerton, Archie Alexander, David Knowles, Jessica Abbott, George Gamble and Jayden Rowlands** went undefeated through the group stage with four wins and a draw. The whole team had played extremely well to reach the semi final but were then defeated by Oakfield School by one goal to nil. This still represents an incredible achievement with only one other team in the last 20 years having reached a County Cup semi-final. Congratulations to them all!



Amazing Author Visit.

Yesterday, Thursday 1st February, we were lucky enough to have **Joffre White** - a published author - visit us. He started the day with a whole school assembly where he talked about reading and made us giggle with grammar and punctuation

mistakes that people make. After break, some children in Year 5 and 6 were lucky enough to have a writing session with Joffre; he shared secrets authors use in their writing. He finished the day with a question and answer session with each year group. Joffre said that he loved visiting our school and that our children have such an enthusiasm for learning. They were fantastic!

PTA Update

All calendar money is now in and we have made an amazing profit of **£1460**. I would like to say a huge thank you to all of those that helped with this event and look forward to putting one together again in the future. Our Christmas Fair was a big success again and made **£2000**. We will be holding another disco on **Thursday 22nd March from 4pm-5.30pm** following on from the success of the last one and details of this will be sent out next term. Also in March we will be holding a raffle, there will be three baskets up for grabs containing all sorts of goodies. Tickets will be on sale at school towards the end of next term. If any one is interested in joining the PTA, there is a Facebook page or you can speak to myself (Carolyn Birch) or Faye Gunstone.

Dates for your Diary

See the calendar on our website for more dates;

Fri 9th Feb - Term 3 ends

Mon 19th Feb - Term 4 starts

Mon 19th Feb - Clubs start (paid x5 + unpaid x4 weeks)

Fri 23rd Feb - Year 6 Camp Assembly at 2.30pm All welcome.

Wed 11th April and Thurs 2th April Parent/Carer Teacher Consultations starting at 3.15pm.

Triumphant Gymnasts

Our gymnastics team went to Writhlington Sports Centre to represent Paulton Junior School. There was a level 1&2 competition and we had to perform a vault and a floor routine which we were then judged on. The team captains were **Finlay Stokes (level 1) and David Knowles (level 2)** who represented their level and supported the other team members with enthusiasm. There were stations along the way as both Paulton teams started on the vault, moved on to rest area, before completing their floor routines and ending with some fun on the trampoline. After both levels had performed both vault and floor displays, we had to sit down and wait tensely for the results. The Level 1 team (**Finlay, Josh, Ryan, Henry and Jessica**) came out on top as they gained the team gold medal. However, level 2 (**David, Rose, Zara, Erin-Grace and Thomas**) came 4th overall in the face of some tough competition; it was so close between the places 1,2,3,4 (only 0.15 points between 1st and 4th. For the individual medals, **Josh Young** (level 1) gained the bronze, **Ryan Hitchens** (level 1) gained the silver and **Finlay Stokes** (level 1) gained gold! As winners, the level 1 team get to go to Bath University in the Summer to represent BANES. What an achievement!
By Finlay Stokes and Rose Nowell



(Pictured above: The Level 1 Winning Team)

PJS Teachers Tackle Bath Half

A group of Paulton Junior School teachers are taking part in the Bath Half Marathon to help raise money for our School Council charity Time is Precious. If you are able to make a donation then please visit: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/paulton-teachers> Any donations will be gratefully received and will help towards their target.

Super Fun (not scary) Maths Evening

On Thursday 8th March at 6pm-7pm we are holding a Maths Evening just for parents and carers. You will go into your child's class to be taught the Maths calculation strategies that your children are being taught in school. It promises to be fun and informative (and non-threatening). We want everybody to come along and have some fun.

And Finally...

- We wish all of our **Year 6** well, as they head off to Skern Lodge Camp next week.

