

Paulton Junior School Newsletter



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School Council help patients at Paulton Hospital

In the run up to Christmas the children of the School Council recognised the fact that being in hospital over Christmas could potentially be quite a difficult time. So, they decided to spread some seasonal cheer by raising funds and donations to make up some Christmas stockings for the Patients at Paulton Memorial Hospital. The gifts were wrapped and packed on Monday lunchtime when 3S was turned into Santa's workshop, filled with many hard-working 'elves'. On Wednesday, **Tyler, Fearn, Angel and Connor** along with Mr Smith visited the hospital to meet the patients and deliver the gifts which were gratefully received. Vicki Smith, events coordinator for John Stacey ward said, "We are so pleased that you have come and would like to thank all the children, teachers and parents for their generosity and thoughtful gifts."



Willow

If anyone would like some willow to make their own willow sculpture or living fence at home please contact Mrs Shackleton as we will have lots after half term.

Attention all knitters

We will be working with the volunteers from Pride in Paulton (PiP) to decorate the fence by the path between Paulton Pool and Central Garage with knitted or crocheted flowers. Completed flowers can be given in to the Office or at The Hub for us to put up in the summer.

Year 6 Badminton team :



Dante, George, Ella and Amber went to Wellsway School for a badminton tournament. They were in a pool of 5 teams and were really resilient as they were tested by some quick play and experienced opposition. All the children thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity. They put in 100% effort and really encouraged each other to play their best, especially when serving. Well done.

Fed Cup at Bath University

We were very lucky this week, as 60 Paulton pupils were invited by British Tennis to play and watch The Fed Cup, at Bath University. All children had a tennis skills session, lead by coaches and then they watched the ladies' singles game between Georgia and Croatia. Everyone had great fun trying to measure the speed of their serve or using the large hand paddles to control the pass. The whole occasion was inspirational and we even managed to get a glimpse of Judy Murray!

Welcome from our new Chair of Governors

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Chair of Governors, my name is Simon Memory and I have been a governor at the school for many years with the last 3 years as vice chair. I became a governor to see if my knowledge and experience could benefit the school while my own children were in attendance, now they have left the school moving up to senior school and sixth form I was asked to stay as a co opted governor and now as Chair.

I have lived in the village for over 20 years with my family living close to the school. I am currently a consultant with my work taking me overseas regularly but being self employed gives me the flexibility to assist where I can at the school supporting all staff.

I would also like to introduce John Harvey who has now taken on the role of Vice Chair with his support and the governing body we can continue to keep the school at the outstanding level it is working with the staff to continually improve.

I have no doubt I have some big shoes to fill following Jim Crouch but like Jim I feel passionate about the welfare and education of the children at Paulton Junior School and I will continue to support the staff to ensure the children get the best education experience possible. I would like to personally thank Jim for his continued support at the school over the years and I am pleased he has decided to remain as a governor as his knowledge and experience is invaluable to us all.

Simon Memory
Chair of Governors
Paulton Junior School

Dates for your Diary

See the calendar on our website for more dates;

Fri 15th Feb - Term 3 ends

Mon 25th Feb - Term 4 starts

Mon 25th Feb - Clubs start (paid x5 + unpaid x4 weeks)

Fri 1st March - **Year 6 Camp Assembly 2.30pm** All welcome.

Thurs March 21st - **PTA Disco**. Open to all year groups from 4pm-5.30pm

Tues 26th March Parent/Carer Teacher Consultations starting at 3.15pm until 7.30pm. (Please note that the meetings are all on one evening.)

And Finally...

- We wish all of our **Year 6** well, as they head off to Skern Lodge Camp next week.
- Congratulations to our Gymnastics Squad who took Gold and Silver at the recent MSN Competition. (Full report next week.)

