



PAULTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY 23RD MAY 2025

Learning Together, Learning For Life

Our Paulton Junior School 6R Values

RESPECT RESOURCEFUL RESILIENCE REASONING RESPONSIBILITY REFLECTIVE

Diary Dates

Friday 23rd May – Term 5 Ends
Monday 2nd June – Term 6 Begins – Clubs restart and run for 4 weeks
Wednesday 4th June – Year 3 Swimming
Thursday 5th June – Languages Day
Friday 13th June - Year 5 Assembly (Parents Welcome)
Saturday 7th June 10am – Playscape Open Morning
Friday 27th June – Sports Day
Thursday 3rd July – Move Up Day – Year 6 to new secondary schools
Friday 4th July – Summer Fair
Monday 14th July and Tuesday 15th July - Year 6 production – Mary Poppins
Friday 18th July – Last Day of Term 6



V.E CELEBRATIONS

The House Captains were honoured to be asked to take part in the VE Memorial service in Paulton village. During the service that was attended by residents, Infant pupils, Rev. Adam Pitt and ex-service people, the children read out poems that reflected the feelings of the servicemen and women and described the historical war time events.



Afterwards, the children met a war veteran and spoke to him about his time in the Navy. They also went to see the fantastic knitted service figures that were on display outside the Co-op. They had been shown them the previous week by Gail and Jane,



in an assembly. They were delighted and very impressed by the detail and hours of work that had gone into making them.

In school, we held an assembly to learn about World War 2 and V.E Day.

The House captains read the poems and all the staff and pupils reflected with a minute's silence.



VE Day lunch

To celebrate the occasion of Victory in Europe, all the children ate their lunch outside in the sunshine. Tables were arranged to replicate the street party and everyone ate their sandwiches and packed lunch outside- waving flags.



BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who supported the Book fair event. It was a huge success and has raised £745.74 for the school. Miss Walker and the Reading Ambassadors will now be able to spend this on books for the classes.

GEOGRAPHY - Map Day

Last term, we held a whole school "Map Day". Each year group spent the day (Year 6 had the afternoon) learning all about maps and why they are useful. Specifically, we learnt about Ordnance Survey maps. Year 3 began thinking about compass points followed by a scavenger hunt looking for different map symbols around the school grounds! Year 4 learnt about how to use map symbols and how they are used in OS maps. They also had to crack a code using 4 digit number grid reference. In Year 5, the children thought about how human and physical features are shown on an OS map and then used this knowledge to finish a pirate map! In the afternoon, they learnt about contour lines and were able to create our own mini island! Year 6 spent their afternoon learning about 6 figure grid references and learnt all about Swanage using an OS map of the area. The children have all learnt some fabulous map skills and were great geographers!

Year 3 Explore Local History at Radstock Museum

This week, Year 3 enjoyed an exciting and educational visit to Radstock Museum, where they learned all about local history, with a special focus on mining and the important roles women played in the community.

The children had great fun dressing up in a Victorian schoolroom, experiencing what school life was like in the past. They also explored the museum's old-fashioned shop and ventured into a fascinating reproduction mine, giving them a glimpse into the lives of local miners.

After lunch in the park, the class walked along The Greenway, discovering the old train lines and bridges that once connected the area. It was a wonderful day full of hands-on learning and local heritage!



Gymnastics Competition

Children represented the school at Writhlington Sports Centre in a school gymnastics competition. There were 3 levels of competition and the children did really well. They had to perform a routine with at least 8 gym moves and also a vault. Team Level 1 were 6th, Team Level 2 were 7th and the Level 3 was judged individually – Lemmy achieved 3rd place. Well done superstars.



Year 5's Noah's Ark trip

Year 5 were lucky enough to go on a visit to Noah's Ark in Bristol on Thursday. We had an amazing experience meeting a variety of animals such as: gibbons, crocodiles, capybaras, lions, zebras, elephants, meerkats to name but a few.

We learnt all about how animals adapt in the wild during a work shop and even got to hold a giant African snail and a tenrec which very few people know about!

It was great seeing animals that we can't see in the British wilderness. Some of us even got to feed meerkats with live crickets! A fabulous day was had by all!



YEAR 6 GREEK DAY

ATHENS V SPARTA

The year 6 children had only just finished their SATS tests, when the next day they were whisked away to Ancient Greece. Covering everything from the warring city states, the birth of democracy and Greek legends to Alexander the Great and Greek culture. This made the learning about the Ancient Greeks a fun and inspiring experience, while also providing maximum educational value. 'Portals of the Past' were entertaining and the children learnt so many facts whilst immersing themselves in quizzes, battles, myths and legends, armour and weapons.





Holburne Museum Visit and workshops



Some children visited The Holburne Museum to visit the galleries and exhibitions. Also, they took part in the sculpture workshops creating clay replicas of coins. They were taught how to manipulate the clay, score, draw, mould and add portions of clay to produce an enlarged coin.

This is such an invaluable experience – seeing original artefacts and having the expert knowledge shared by the Education Team. We are so grateful and pleased with the link Mrs Pearson has made with the museum. It provides the pupils at Paulton Juniors with memories, to widen their cultural capital and gain aspirational experiences of the world.

PTA EVENTS

BINGO NIGHT

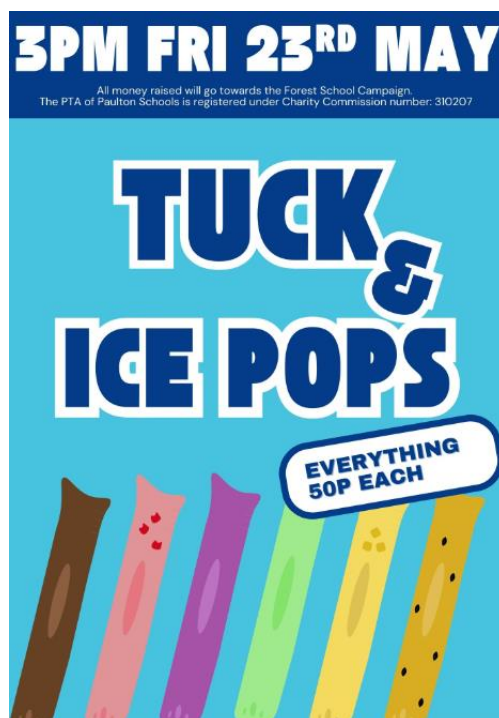
The BINGO was well attended at Paulton Rovers Football Club. Thank you to everyone who supported or volunteered at this event. It was the first time a PTA event had been held on a Saturday evening for a while; it was fun and enjoyable for all the family. There was also a raffle and altogether this raised (after the hire of the hall and caller) £265.

Ice Pops

Ice pops will be sold every Friday after school throughout Term 6 outside the Junior school.

Playscape Open Morning

The Junior School will be opening its outdoor areas for our children and families to come and enjoy. It is an opportunity for you to come and see the Playscape – where lessons are taught and play encouraged. Also, the aim is for parents and carers to see where the money from your wonderful fundraising efforts will be spent.



COME AND EXPLORE OUR PLAYSCAPE

**Saturday, 7th June
10am-12pm**

We are very grateful for the donations towards the Forest School Campaign to help us to provide a fantastic outdoor classroom and other wooden hideouts and areas.

Paulton Junior School will be opening it's outdoor playscape for visitors.

This is an opportunity for families from both Infants and Juniors to visit the outdoor learning space and grounds that are used for lessons and play. Children must be accompanied by an adult at the event.



Refreshments on sale – CASH ONLY
(tea, coffee, cake, sweets)
Marshmallows to toast

Look at the children's designs and ideas
Find out about the proposed plans
and new structures

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