



PAULTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2026

Learning Together, Learning For Life

Our Paulton Junior School 6R Values

RESPECT RESOURCEFUL RESILIENCE REASONING RESPONSIBILITY REFLECTIVE

Diary Dates

Tuesday 31st March – Rocksteady Concert 10.30am
Thursday 2nd April – End of Term 4
Monday 20th April – Start of Term 5
Monday 20th – Thursday 30th April – Year 5 Bikeability
Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday
Tuesday 5th May – Class and Year 6 Leavers Photos
Monday 11th – Thursday 14th May – Year 6 SATs week
Friday 22nd May – End of Term 5
Monday 1st June – Start of Term 6
Friday 5th June – Year 5 Trip Noah's Ark Zoo Farm
Friday 3rd July – Summer Fair

School Holiday, Inset days and term dates 2026-2027 are at the end of the newsletter

World Book Day



Paulton Junior School was overwhelmed by the enthusiasm shown during this year's World Book Day celebrations. The children enjoyed a fun-filled day dedicated to a love of reading, taking part in a variety of workshops across the school.

A particular highlight was seeing the fantastic effort that went into the children's costumes. Pupils were invited to dress as an adjective of their choice, and the creativity on display was truly impressive. It was a wonderful celebration of the rich vocabulary that brings our favourite stories to life.

We would also like to thank you for sending in photos of the children's reading experiences at home, as part of the homework task. It has been wonderful to see how reading continues beyond the classroom and plays such an important part in home life. Your support in nurturing a love of reading is greatly appreciated.



Dance Umbrella 2026

Over the next two weeks, schools from across Bath and North East Somerset will come together to celebrate Dance—a subject that champions creativity, imagination, expression, and above all, inclusivity. It's an event we proudly support year after year, and our pupils once again showed exactly why.



Why learn one style of dance when you can put together multiple techniques in one dance?

This year's Dance Umbrella group consisted of year 6 and produced an incredible routine under the choreography of Mrs Squires, at the weekly after school dance club. On Monday 23rd March, they performed at The Forum in Bath in front of a full audience. They rehearsed earlier in the day and then opened the evening event- Dance Umbrella 2026!

The PJS performers took inspiration from the UK's most popular dance show – Strictly Come Dancing – and put together a show dance of their own! This included many Latin and ballroom steps (in and out of hold) that Craig, Motsi, Shirley and Anton critique on a weekly basis. The announcer introduced ...

“Dancing the American Smooth, Jive, Tango, Pasodoble, Salsa and many, many more are the Y6 children of Paulton Junior School!”

Year 3 – Tie Dye

The year 3 children have produced a beautiful wall hanging inspired by Indian art. Over several art lessons, they used many skills to produce individual textile pictures depicting elephants in a natural setting. Everyone learnt to tie-dye for their background, choose fabrics and attach decorative additions. The finished work is hanging up in the hall on display for you to see.





Year 6 –Skern Lodge and non- campers

What an incredible week our Year 6 adventurers had at Skern Lodge in Appledore, Devon! From conquering towering challenges to mastering new skills, our pupils embraced every moment with enthusiasm, resilience, and an abundance of smiles.

The week was packed with exhilarating activities that pushed boundaries and built confidence. The High Ropes saw many of our students soaring through the air, demonstrating incredible bravery and support for one another. The Climb & Abseil activities were another testament to their courage, as they scaled walls and descended with grace and determination.

Archery skills were honed, with many budding Robin Hoods hitting bullseyes and showing impressive focus. The Tarka Bikes offered a fantastic way to explore the beautiful surroundings, and it was wonderful to see everyone enjoying the freedom of the open air.

One of the highlights for many was the Rafting! Teamwork was absolutely essential, and the cheers of triumph as the rafts navigated the water were truly infectious. Roars of laughter filled the air as teachers and children alike took the plunge into the icy depths. The Pool Kayak sessions were also a splash, with students quickly getting the hang of paddling and playing games.

Exploring the coastal wonders was a big part of the trip too. Crabbing was a huge hit, with many fascinating creatures discovered and carefully returned to their homes. The Seahorse Trail in Westward Ho! was a brilliant opportunity to learn about the local marine life and enjoy the stunning beach environment. And that's just a snapshot – there were so many more exciting activities and challenges throughout the week!



We were so incredibly proud of the children's amazing achievements and attitudes. Their willingness to try new things, support their friends, and push their own limits was truly inspiring. They showed fantastic teamwork, excellent application, and a positive mindset that shone brightly every single day.

A massive thank you must go to the epic staff at Skern Lodge. Their expertise, encouragement, and boundless energy made every activity fun, safe, and unforgettable. They truly went above and beyond to ensure every single one of our students had the best possible experience.

Finally, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to the PJS teachers and support staff – Mr Smith, Mrs Pearson, Mrs Norman, Mrs Jones, Mrs Langan, Mr Barge- who gave up their time to make this residential trip possible. Your dedication, care, and commitment ensured a smooth, enjoyable, and incredibly enriching experience for every single Year 6 pupil. This trip wouldn't have been the same without you! We are forever grateful.

The memories and lessons learned at Skern Lodge will undoubtedly stay with our Year 6 students for a lifetime.

Some Year 6 children stayed at school and had an amazing enrichment week learning new skills and collaborating on different projects. Everyday was filled with planned activities to inspire, create imagination, design, innovate and provide opportunities to encourage independence. The week was lead by Mrs Scott and all the pupils were thrilled with their animation, weaving, baking, exploring and campfire experiences (to name a few!). THANK YOU.

Mrs Shackleton and Mrs Weaver's Sewing Club



Sewing Club Term 3 2026

The children chose their design, cut out paper patterns, cut out felt pieces from the patterns then sewed them all together. Some dried lavender flowers from the garden were added to the filling to make them smell nice.

A good job well done!



Paulton Junior School Girls 3 - 0 St. Benedict's

The Paulton Junior School girls put on a masterclass in teamwork and clinical finishing this week, securing a dominant 3-0 victory against St. Benedict's in the Plate Competition. While the scoreline reflects a comfortable win, the match was a testament to the grit, spirit, and "never-say-die" attitude of the entire squad.

The headlines will undoubtedly belong to our modest star striker Harper-Rose, whose pace and skill were a constant thorn in the side of the St. Benedict's defence. She opened the scoring with a breathtaking solo effort, weaving through a sea of defenders before coolly burying the ball into the bottom left corner.

Her second goal was a display of pure technical prowess, finding the back of the net from an impossibly tight angle. To cap off a truly memorable performance, she completed her hat-trick with a rare and spectacular 'Olympico'—curling an in-swinging corner directly into the goal.

A Squad Built on Unity

While the goals came from the front, the victory was built on a foundation of collective effort and high energy. Between the posts, Maia was imperious and brave in her first-ever game in goal; her distribution and constant, enthusiastic communication kept the team focused throughout.

The midfield was dominated by two sets of "midfield mosquitos" who rotated off the bench to maintain an unrelenting tempo. Niya and Hannah both impressed in their debut matches—Niya with her robust tackling and long throw-ins, and Hannah with her intelligent support play at both ends of the

pitch. Clara and Willow provided the drive, with Clara's forward runs and Willow's tireless chasing constantly putting Paulton on the front foot. Meanwhile, Ira dazzled with her dribbling skills, and Evelyn lived up to her reputation as a midfield dynamo, showcasing effervescent energy and tenacious tackling.

At the back, Tega and Angel formed an impenetrable wall. Tega balanced her defensive duties with dynamic, marauding runs forward, while Captain Angel led with composure, her constant encouragement ensuring the result was never in doubt.

Spirit of the Game

Credit must go to St. Benedict's, who played with immense heart and never gave up despite the pressure. The match was played in a fantastic spirit by both sides, bolstered by a vocal home crowd whose energy gave the Paulton girls an extra boost when they needed it most.

With this level of teamwork and a clinical edge in front of goal, the big question remains: Who will Paulton face in the next round, and can these girls go all the way? Watch this space!



Blue Skies and Brave Strides: BANES Cross-Country Report

What a spectacular day for our runners! On Thursday, 19th March, the BANES Schools Cross-Country Meet took place under glorious sunshine at Somervale School. The "Big Field" was a vibrant scene of energy and anticipation as our team gathered, ready to tackle the course.

The Boys' Race: Pace and Perseverance

The boys kicked off the event with a display of pure grit. The competition was fierce, but our runners held their ground beautifully:

- Ethan delivered a standout performance, navigating the terrain to secure an impressive 8th place finish overall.
- Jacob, Marcus, Adam, and Rheon followed closely, showing fantastic consistency and ensuring a strong presence for the school.
- In one of the most moving moments of the day, Archie tackled the course in his off-road wheelchair. With the expert assistance of the ever-ready Mrs. Norman, he completed the first loop before finishing the race under his own steam. He was cheered every step of the way by a roaring crowd and his supportive teammates.



The Girls' Race: Power and Partnership

As the sun continued to shine, our girls took to the start line. Their race was a masterclass in both individual excellence and mutual support:

- Harper-Rose was in flying form, blazing ahead of the pack to claim an incredible 4th place finish.

- Clara and Tega, along with Eliza and Kiera, showed us the true meaning of "team" by finishing in tandem. These pairs pushed each other through the toughest parts of the course, ensuring no one was left behind.

A Proud Day for the School

The results are now in, and it is good news for the Paulton teams: ***The Boys finished in an impressive third and The Girls romped home with an amazing second place.*** These results only show half of the story as the sportsmanship, encouragement offered to one another, and the sheer determination to finish strong were what really made this a day to remember.

The Team: > Jacob, Marcus, Archie, Ethan, Adam, Rheon, Tega, Harper-Rose, Clara, Eliza, and Kiera.

Congratulations to all our runners! You represented the school with pride, passion, and plenty of pace.



SASS= Specialist Autism Support Service- Events for Families

SASS offer events for parents and carers to attend, to access support within a friendly and supportive environment including **some** which are now accessible for parents/carers of children and young people who are identifying as autistic or who are on the diagnostic pathway:

Here is a link to the SASS Parent Padlet:

<https://padlet.com/SASSBathnes/ParentSupport>



B&NES Parent Carer Forum

Support Line | 01761 502515 | support@banespcf.co.uk

<https://banespcf.co.uk/events/>

Paulton Junior School Term Dates 2026-2027

TERM 1	
INSET DAY	Thursday 3rd September 2026
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Start	Monday 7 th September 2026
Finish	Friday 23 rd October 2026
TERM 2	
INSET DAY	Monday 2nd November 2026
Start	Tuesday 3 rd November 2026
Finish	Friday 18 th December 2026
TERM 3	
INSET DAY	Monday 4th January 2027
Start	Tuesday 5 th January 2027
Finish	Friday 12 th February 2027
TERM 4	
Start	Monday 22 nd February 2027
Finish	Thursday 25 th March 2027
TERM 5	
Start	Monday 12 th April 2027
Finish	Thursday 27 th May 2027
INSET DAY	Friday 28th May 2027
TERM 6	
Start	Monday 7 th June 2027
Finish	Friday 22 nd July 2027

IMPORTANT: PLEASE note the 5 INSET DAYS when school is closed to pupils. SOME OF THESE DAYS DO NOT MATCH PAULTON INFANT SCHOOL so please check the INSET days for both schools carefully.

HAPPY EASTER

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A bit of fun!

WORD SEARCH

How many words can you find?



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N	I	J	U	M	P	E	R	O	J	G	K
S	P	E	K	U	N	I	F	O	R	M	B
K	J	B	S	R	Y	Q	I	X	R	U	L
I	X	F	P	B	U	U	H	L	K	J	A
R	S	H	I	R	T	D	C	K	Z	W	Z
T	S	C	L	U	N	C	H	B	O	X	E
S	Q	F	T	O	S	C	H	O	O	L	R

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THURSDAY – 4–5pm (Ages 7–10)



THURSDAY – 5–6pm (Ages 11+)

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