



Paulton Infant School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New year to you all! It has been so chilly this week; thank you for ensuring that your children are wrapped up nice and warm so that they can enjoy their playtimes outside in this cold weather. The children have come back to school with lots of energy and enthusiasm. This week my assembly was all about 'respect' which as you know plays an important part in our school values 'GROW: Grow your brain and learn new things, Respect and Responsibility—look after yourself and others, Opportunity—Take chances and be ambitious and Wellbeing—Happy and healthy brain.'

Gem Power Winners

Gem Power Certificates celebrate the Gem Power Behaviours, We display the names of the winners in the hall each week.



Our Gem Power Certificate winners over the last three weeks are:

Mulberry: Phoebe for using her Emerald power to segment and write words. Marie for using her Emerald power to practice her handwriting and improve her letter formation.

Reggie for using his Emerald power to write a short caption.

Elder: Ada S for using her Ruby Power by always being kind to others. Louie W for using his Emerald Power to have a go at some tricky writing. Esme C for using her Emerald power to have a go at a range of activities independently.

Hazel: Hudson for using his Amethyst power always working well with any partner, **Joseph** for using his Amethyst power for working well with his partner in computing and **Harper** for using her Emerald power to keep trying and working very hard in phonics.

Hawthorn: Myla for using her Emerald power for amazing independent sentence writing in English. **JJ and Connor** for using Sapphire power for beautiful fossil sketches in art this week using different types of line.

Sycamore: Violet for using her Emerald power for giving everything ago and trying to do extra things particularly in maths, **Kacey** for using her Sapphire power for increased focus on completing learning jobs the best she can and **Levi** for using his Topaz power and working well in groups, most recently in our Dance sessions.

Maple: Max for using his Emerald Power to research dinosaur facts at home, **Amelia** for using her Amethyst power to work well with a partner in Dance and **Reuben** for using his Sapphire power to improve his focus in all learning tasks.

Magnolia: Kyla-Rose for using her Emerald power to write amazing sentences and always putting her hand up. **Archie** for using his Emerald power to work independently and **Jacob E** for using his Sapphire power to write fantastic sentences in English.

Holly: Eloise for using her Sapphire power for superb writing focus, **Alex and Rollo** for using their Sapphire power for amazing focus and determination in all of their learning.

On-Line Safety Tip of the Week

Did you know.. UK Safer Internet Day is celebrated every

year in February - this year the theme is Inspiring Change. On top of our usual online safety sessions this term, we will be participating in activities to celebrate UK Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 6th February. For more information on how you can support at home visit: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/parents-and-carers>



Old Christmas Jumper Requests

If you have any old Christmas Jumpers that you no longer want, please can you donate them into the school office and we will sell them at this year's Christmas Fair to raise money for the school!



Change of date to Parent's Evenings:

In the last letter we had shared some dates for Parent's Evening in early February. On reflection we have decided to move them to Tuesday 19th March and Thursday 21st March towards the end of Term 4.

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 Infants fund-raising event this term is a Story Time evening on Thursday 7th March, 16:00–17:00. Children are invited back into school in their pyjamas to listen to a range of different stories read by their teaching staff in a cosy environment with a hot chocolate and a snack. 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



Dates to remember:

12/02/24 — Half Term

19/02/24 — INSET Day

20/02/24—Term 4 starts

07/03/24—PTA Pyjamas and Story Time (4pm–5pm)

14/03/24—Zoo Class Trip (Magnolia, Maple and Sycamore)

18/03/24—Dance Umbrella

19/03/24 — Parents Evening

20/03/24—Zoo Class Trip (Hazel and Hawthorn)

21/03/24 — Parents Evening

As always, please feel free to come and talk to me if you have any questions or concerns. Best wishes Emily Omell