



# Paulton Infant School

## Newsletter No.1 : 15th September 2023



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### Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the start of a new academic year. I have been so pleased to see how settled, happy and enthusiastic the children are to be in school. I hope that you had a fantastic summer holiday. I would also like to welcome all new parents to the school (please see the New Parent Coffee Morning section in this newsletter).

### 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 this week are: (EYFS will join the Gem Power Certification when they are ready...)

**Hazel:** Reggie for using his Sapphire power always being focused in everything he does. **Jasmine** for using her Emerald power and having a go in her maths this term and producing some amazing work.

**Hawthorn:** Freddie for using his Sapphire power and having amazing focus on the carpet in all lessons. **Rosie** for using her Ruby power and always being super kind to her peers and helping others when they need it.

**Sycamore:** Whole class Topaz Power (group power) for co-operating and sharing resources in a group tower challenge . **Magnus** for using his Sapphire power in all learning tasks and seeing it through. **Dotty** for using her Emerald power to give all written tasks a go especially when writing to the Colour Monster.

**Maple:** Leo F for using his Sapphire power to write a super, accurate sentence. **Quinn** for using her Ruby power to be kind to her friends and teachers.

**Magnolia:** Rhys for using his Sapphire power to set a good example to others by staying focused. **Archie** for using his Sapphire gem power to show good listening.

**Holly:** Whole class for Ruby power - being kind to old and new friends. **Tobii** for using his Emerald power for always giving it his best at every job he is given.

### Friday Afternoon School Clubs

Our Friday Afternoon School Clubs will be starting next Friday afternoon at 2.00pm. This term we are offering 5 clubs and have slightly changed the way we do this. Every child will be put into a group and each group will rotate termly so that each child experiences every club! The Clubs are: **Singing Club** (children will learn a variety of songs and be able to perform them confidently, practicing their presentation skills), **Mindfulness Club** (Children will be taught a range of tools that will support them in managing their emotions, encourage resilience and help children to think positively about themselves), **Mr Men and Little Miss Club** (Children will develop further skills in drawing, listening to a story making a book and write a story)  
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**struction Club:** (Children will learn how to make a strong structure, extending their skills in problem solving, using their imagination to be creative, and using their mathematical skills such as size, measurement and pattern). **Science Club:** (children will further strengthen their scientific enquiry skills with experiments on floating, investigating waterproof materials, understanding and making Lava lamps etc.).

### Harvest Festival

This year we will be collecting donations for The Paulton Village Larder during our Harvest Festival. Any non-perishable donations will be gratefully received on **Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th October.**



### EYFS Outdoor Area

We are very pleased to share that during the Summer holidays Joe Hitchens Groundworks and Building Services came in and renovated part of our EYFS outdoor learning environment.



Our new September in-take have been enjoying the new area, playing in the new mud kitchen, artificial grass and decking area. Many thanks to Joe for such a fabulous job!

### New Parent Coffee Morning

Any new parents to the school are welcome to attend our New Parents coffee morning. This is just an informal chance to chat and get to know other parents and should you wish to, meet members of our PTA (Parents Teachers Association). This will be at 9.00am on Tuesday 26th September. We look forward to seeing you then!



### Illness Advice

Sometimes it is tricky as a parent to decide whether or not to bring your child into school when they are sick. Here is a link that gives some very clear guidelines from the NHS. Please follow the link to access this advice: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk) Please remember that as long as your child does not have a temperature (before giving medication such as Calpol), or any of the other symptoms where the NHS advise to stay at home until better, bring your child in to school and we will let you know if we feel your child is struggling and not able to access learning as they are feeling too poorly.

### Forest School

Just a gentle reminder: please ensure that your children arrive at school in their Forest School clothes (when the weather gets bad wearing a coat that





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can get dirty and their wellies). Please make sure that they bring their school uniform in a named bag **INCLUDING** a spare pair of pants and socks as sometimes these get wet if it is raining hard. **Please make sure all individual items of clothing are named.**

### Class Visits

We are keen for parents to have the opportunity to share their child's learning environment and get to know the teachers a bit more. We also want to promote reading in the school. We will be inviting parents in again into class after school for 20 minutes on the penultimate Monday of every half term to facilitate this opportunity in KS1. In EYFS there will be a Stay and Play session afterschool for 20 minutes on the last Monday of every half term.

### Dates to remember:

KS1 Open Door Friday: 22nd September and 6th October

New Parents Coffee Morning— 9.00am 26th September

Harvest Assembly (children only) : 5th October

KS1 Stay and Read: 3.10—3.30 9th October

EYFS Stay and Play: 3.10—3.30 16th October

INSET Day : 20th October

Half Term: 23rd October—27th October

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

