

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

### End of Year Letter

This letter is also being sent to the parents of our new Year 7 students so, on behalf of everyone at Paulet, welcome to our school.

We are drawing to the end of the school year and what a year it's been! Trips, treats, a record amount of money raised for charity, house competitions and, above all, amazing progress made by most of our students. As always, the overwhelming majority of our students have risen to the challenge of living by Paulet Character and working as hard as possible in lessons. Sadly, a very small number of our students have struggled to understand what it means to be a member of our school community and we have parted ways with them during the year.

### We say hello, we say good-bye.

We have said hello to our new Year 7 and Year 12 students and hopefully they are all prepared and ready for starting in September. We have also said hello to some new colleagues who are joining us in September; once again we are fully staffed, with specialist teachers, for the year ahead. With new staff joining that can mean only one thing... we are saying goodbye to some treasured members of staff. Six colleagues are leaving us this summer (78 years at Paulet combined); three are retiring and three are heading to promoted roles within education. Amongst those leaving us are two colleagues who have been at Paulet for 22 years each. Mrs Phipp, our long serving Exams Officer, is retiring after 22 years organising all of our exams – there's a reason why our exams always run so smoothly... Thank you Mrs Phipp. And finally, Mr Stirland is retiring after 22 years with us. Many of you will have fond memories of Mr Stirland; he really is one of a kind and will be missed around our corridors, although I am hoping he will pop in from time-to-time to do some gardening with some of our students. Thank you and goodbye to everyone!

### Uniform

As you prepare your child's uniform for the new school year, please remember our simple uniform rules. Along with a white polo shirt and school embroidered sweatshirt, students must wear black leather or leather style shoes – no trainers or canvas pumps (I have attached a handy visual guide to this letter that may help). Legwear is restricted to black tailored trousers, black tailored skirts or black tailored shorts. Leggings should not be worn. If your child is currently wearing an item of incorrect uniform, please ensure that he/she is wearing the correct uniform from September 6<sup>th</sup>. We have had a large amount of new and nearly new uniform items donated to us by parents so we will be running our annual 'nearly new uniform' collection from 10am on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August – if you need some uniform items please pop along and collect what you need.

## New catering providers

From September we have a new catering service which will mean a few changes including new menus which will be added to the school's website as soon as they are available. The standard meal price is increasing to £2.83 for a meal deal. Students in receipt of free school meals will, in addition to their free lunch, be able to have a free breakfast if they want to – this will be available in the canteen between 8am and 8.20am. If your child is eligible for free school meals, and you haven't claimed them, please do so – if you need help with this please contact the school.

## Last week of term

Next week is a very busy week, so I thought a quick summary would help:

**Monday** – normal school day

**Tuesday** – sports day, non-uniform day – students to wear a top in their house colour.

**Wednesday** – normal school day (sports day reserve day); School drama performance at 6pm (Bright Young Things)

**Thursday** – Trips Day – please ensure final payments are made and consent forms have been returned; students staying in school have a fun day of activities to enjoy.

**Friday** – last day of term – students leave at 12.15pm; students in receipt of free school meals can order a 'pack up' on Thursday; the last day of term is a free non-uniform day.

School reopens to our new Year 7 students on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September** and to all other students on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**.

## 'Kids eat free'

Although I don't like the term 'kids' used to describe young people, I do think this is a very valuable list to share with you all. It tells you places where young people can eat free, or at heavily reduced prices, during the summer holiday – I hope you find it useful.

## Do you know where your child is? Who are they with?



Over the summer holiday, please keep this in mind... do you know where your child is? Who are they with? We have the river close by and hot days and cooling rivers can lead to disaster. There are also occasional acts of anti-social behaviour that young people can be the victim of or be involved in. If we, as parents, all keep these two questions in mind then Paulet students will have a safe, enjoyable and restful summer holiday to recharge their batteries ready for September and another year of learning!

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school; I hope you and your family have a restful summer break.

Kind regards,



Ian McArthur  
Headteacher

✓ SUITABLE	X UNSUITABLE
<p>Examples of the type of school shoes that are appropriate:</p> 	<p>Examples of the type of school shoes that are not appropriate:</p> 
	<p>Canvas shoes</p> <p>Sports Trainers</p> <p>Non-sensible shoes</p> <p>Branded shoes</p>

## **PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023**

COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL

### ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

### TESCO

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

### SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

### BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

### TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### TRAVELODGE

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

### HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

### PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

### SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

### IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

### MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.

### GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

### BILLS

2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

### BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

### WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

### SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

### FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

### PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

### YO! SUSHI

From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

### TO BE CONFIRMED...

M&S and Farmhouse Inns