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Dear Parents and Carers

News and updates

'Pride in Work' Week 1

This week students are being invited to share their pride in the work they are undertaking in school with you, their parents. We used to call it book home week but sometimes the books didn't make it back to school and it didn't allow subjects like art and drama to showcase their work. You should see some books and some photos taken of specific pieces of work your child is proud of. Talk it through with them, encourage them and be proud of them.

Home Learning check 1 - 'Home Learning Leaders'

As I told you at the 'Year Ahead Evenings', this year we have introduced half termly home learning checks to see the engagement of our students in their home learning. Students with 100% completion will be awarded a 'Home Learning Leader' certificate and have an extended morning break to have a hot chocolate and snack with me in the dining hall... more to follow.

Show racism the red card – non uniform day



This Friday, the 20th October, is our first non-uniform day of the year and we are supporting the national 'show racism the red card' campaign. Students are invited to come in their own (suitable for school) clothes and wear an item of red. They should bring a £1 donation and there will be work done in Character Development about the campaign.

PPE Fortnight

Students in Year 11 and Year 13 have their first PPEs (mock exams) over this week and next. Please support us by ensuring that they prepare effectively to do their best. Please remind students in other year groups to show Paulet Character and support students taking exams by walking past exam venues calmly and quietly.

Parent Wellbeing Evening

On the 8th of November we have our annual 'Empowering Parents to be Support Savvy' evening. It is run once a year to inform you of the support that is available to your child and you as a family from school but also from lots of external organisations and agencies that we work alongside on a regular basis. It is designed for you to be able to make informed decisions about any support you may feel is needed now or in the future. The services we have attending are from a variety of sources from youth work to parenting support and mental health services to name a few. At Paulet we also have lots of support happening within school that you will also be guided through including our Wellbeing HUB offer and core subject homework support including SPARX, Bedrock and Go4Schools. during the evening you will also have the opportunity to apply for the household support fund which provides vouchers for eligible families, and you will be able to sign up to some courses we are running about managing low mood and anxiety in young people. More details to follow.









6th Form Open Evening

This Thursday, 19^{th} October, is our 6^{th} Form Open Evening from 6pm to 8pm. I am expecting most of our Year 11 students to attend so they know what courses we run and how our 6^{th} Form differs from others. If you are able to attend, please follow this link to book a ticket – unless you've done so already of course! http://events.paulet.co.uk.

Girls' Football





There was a great turn out of KS3 girls at football training last week; it looks like we have a great team in the making – look out Burton! Make sure you keep coming to the training sessions girls.

Year 10 Careers Interviews

Our independent careers advisor, Emily Hardy, starts her 30-minute careers interviews with Year 10 about their future pathways this week.

Every student will be seen in a 30-minute slot from Wednesday onwards for some independent careers' advice.

Remember - If you have an interesting career you'd like to talk about and promote with some students, please get in touch with Mrs McArthur. c.mcarthur@phs.jtmat.co.uk

Paulet Remembers

On Friday 10th November we will be holding our annual Paulet Remembers service at the front of school. We started doing this in 2018 to mark 100 years since the end of World War 1 and we specifically remember seven young men from Stapenhill who never returned from the war. The whole school assembles on the car park to lay wreaths on our Remembrance Copse and observe a two-minute silence. Students who are members of uniformed youth services are invited to wear their uniforms on the day as a further mark of respect.



And finally...

Please remember to drop us an email if there is something you would like to discuss. The home / school partnership is critical to your child's success at Paulet; if there's something getting in the way please let us know!

Kind regards,

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