

Friday 29th September 2023

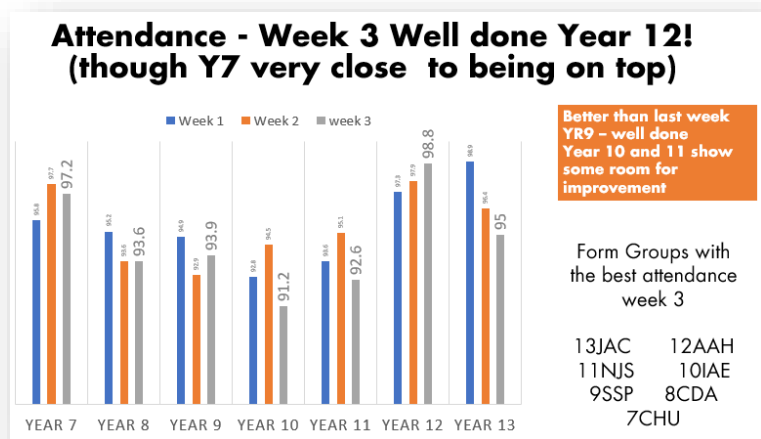
Dear Parents and Carers

News and updates

Thank you for helping us all have such a good start to the school year. Our new students in Year 7 (all 167 of them) and Year 12 have settled very well. Overwhelmingly, our students have started the year eager to learn and determined to succeed. A very small number of students are struggling with 'the Paulet Way' and not showing 'Paulet Character' but we are working closely with them and their parents.

We have completed our Year Ahead Evenings and they have been very well attended. I will send out the presentation on Monday for your information.

I am pleased with the attendance of our students so far this year – as the table below shows. Very well done to Years 7, 12 and 13 for a great start to the year and room for improvement for Year 10 and 11. Overall though, very pleasing.



Home learning

Home learning is a key part to your child's learning journey and will be set regularly in planners and on Go4Schools. You can check Go4Schools for what home learning has been set and whether your child is on track with its completion. Every half term we will be celebrating students who have completed over 95% of their home learning, these students will gain access to prize draws, ten house tokens and have priority access to reward trips (plus other treats). Home Learning leaders (100% completion) will get a chance of other treats to celebrate their commitment to their studies. If your child is struggling with home learning, please contact the head of year; we have after school facilities to complete home learning if needed. Please remember maths home learning, SPARX maths, is due in every Tuesday!

Equality and Diversity Week

16th to 20th October is our first equality and diversity week this year, linked to our 'everyone included' charter. On Friday 20th students will be taking part in the 'wear red to show racism the red card' day. All students will come to school in an item of red or school uniform. Details to follow.

Lockers

All Year 7 students who have requested and paid for lockers, have been issued with this, this week. Next week students in years 8-11 will be provided with their lockers. If you would like to reserve a locker for your child you can do this via ParentPay and these will be allocated during October.

Medication

It's getting to that time of year when some of our students get illnesses. If your child needs to be given medication can you please bring the medication into school in its original full packaging and we will ask you to complete an authorisation form for us to administer this.

If your child is of an age where they are able to self-medicate, please provide a signed note for them to keep with the medication and to confirm this. Medicines must also be in its original packaging with all prescription notes unless it is an over-the-counter medication.

Spare uniform

We always have spare uniform items at school, if you need additional items; we are able to do that because many parents donate good quality items of uniform – thank you all for that. We have also put a spare uniform rail (and donations box) in the Co-op on Woods Lane Please help yourself if you need to.

Inset Day 2 day – Friday 6th October

Just a quick reminder that our school is closed to students next Friday 6th October for our second inset day of the year. We reopen to students at 8.27am on Monday 9th October.

Open Evening

It's my favourite school night of the year next Thursday... our Open Evening. If you have a Y5 or Y6 child, or know someone who has, please come to school at 6pm to hear a brief talk in the hall followed by time to explore our school.

There will be many members of staff and students to talk to and Year 11 Prefects to show you around if you'd like that.

Parking

We have a small number of parents who park on our Stanton Road Drive, at the end of the day, to collect children. I am happy for this to happen as it helps to relieve traffic around the schools, but I must ask parents to use the following times:

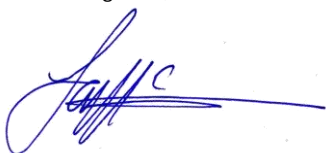
- Please arrive and be parked, on the side opposite the footpath, by **2.45pm**
- Please do not leave the drive until **3.05pm**

Abiding by these times will ensure the safety of all of our children who walk down the drive.

Water Bottles

Please remember that all students should have a rigid plastic or aluminium water bottle in school so they can fill up from our cooled and filtered – water dispensers during the day. The bottles must not be glass for obvious health and safety reasons.

Kind regards,



Ian McArthur
Headteacher



Y7 OPEN EVENING
THURSDAY 05 OCTOBER 2023
18:00 - 20:00

PAULET HIGH SCHOOL & 6th FORM COLLEGE

- Take a tour behind the scenes of a successful school
- Discover 'learning in action'
- See for yourself why we continue to grow in popularity
- A chance to meet, and talk to, our students and staff

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