

### The Paulet Post



| Week<br>beginning                                       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> June<br>2025                                                                                                                                             |                           | Week |                 | А                         | В                 | Menu Week 1                     |  |
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| Personal Development theme (extended form is Wednesday) | 7                                                                                                                                                                        | Why is politics important |      |                 | 10                        | Critical          | Critical thinking and fake news |  |
|                                                         | 8                                                                                                                                                                        | Desert Island - Living    |      |                 | 11                        | Exam p            | Exam preparedness               |  |
|                                                         | 9                                                                                                                                                                        | Conspiracy Theories       |      | 6 <sup>th</sup> | Online                    | Online reputation |                                 |  |
| Theme of assemblies                                     | National Volunteers<br>Week                                                                                                                                              |                           |      |                 | Year Leader<br>Assemblies |                   | House<br>Assemblies             |  |
| Career of the week: Make-<br>up Artist                  | Here is our career of the week! Our hope is that you will watch this short clip with your child and discuss it together.  JOB OF THE WEEK - EPISODE #83 - MAKE-UP ARTIST |                           |      |                 |                           |                   |                                 |  |

News and messages from Mr McArthur

Paulet Cadet Club – Our new Cadet Club is doing really well and yesterday, Jacob, who set the club up, was able to award the first certificates of achievement to three of the cadets. New members are always welcome, see posters around school for details.

As a reminder: Stanton Road school drive – more and more parents are parking on this drive, at the end of the day, and waiting to collect students. It is becoming dangerous as cars are moving up and down the drive as our students are leaving the site. From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, there will be bollards in place which will be raised between 2.30pm and 3.15pm each day. Between those times, you will be unable to enter or leave the school site via that drive. This decision has been taken solely for the safety of our students. We have been giving out letters to relevant car owners; copy below.



**Year 10 Exam Preparation** - Dominic Waldron from M.A.D.E Training came into school this week to work with our Year 10s in preparation for their trial exams next month. As part of the day, the students learnt about revision strategies during the sessions called: Exams M.A.D.E. Easy.

National Volunteer Week – The first week after half term is National Volunteer Week and the Year Leaders will be delivering assemblies on this topic. If you volunteer, or your child does, please feel free to email the relevant Year Leader to add to the assembly presentation.

**Sporting success** – Many amazing students from years 7-10 competed twice at Shobnall in the district athletics competitions over the past 2 weeks against 11 other schools. Fantastic character, resilience and stamina was shown by all as they competed in running, throwing and jumping events.

Some students will receive county nominations in the next few weeks once all the results have been published. Well done again to the 54 students who took part across the two days - you all did Paulet proud!!



Water bottles – just another gentle reminder that students should bring an aluminium or rigid plastic bottle to school each day to refill from our chilled water fountains. Single use plastic bottles are not allowed.

Please make sure you look at all of the Paulet post as there are often informative posters and adverts for local events for your information.

That's all for this week, have a great week and I hope that the weather stays nice for the holiday.

Ian McArthur Headteacher.

#### Student(s) of the week





Isabel joined R.K. Judo in the summer of 2023, and it has since become her passion. She is currently graded as an orange belt with one green tab. Since starting Judo, Isabel has achieved remarkable success. She has earned four trophies, numerous certificates, and proudly holds 10 gold

medals, 2 silver medals, and 4 bronze medals. Isabel competes across the United Kingdom in various

tournaments and is currently a two-time British Judo National Champion in her category. She has recently been selected to join the international training squad, which will take her to camps and competitions around the world, representing Great Britain. Isabel's ultimate goal is to one day compete in the Olympics. Well done Isabel and keep it up — we are all so proud of you!



#### Staff Profile... who's who!

#### Mrs Cooper – Lead Teacher for Food Technology



Mrs Cooper is currently our longest serving teacher having started at Paulet in 1981 teaching Food & Cookery and Health & Social Care. That's 42 years of service to the young people of Stapenhill and its surroundings. If we assume that, on average, there are 150 students joining the school each year, Mrs Cooper has taught roughly 6000 local people to cook. She is now teaching current students who are grand children of students she taught at the start of her career – a truly remarkable career which will come to an end at the end of this school year when she hangs up her apron, checks 10 equipment cupboards and wipes six cookers down for the last time. Retirement beckons for our longest serving teacher – Mrs Cooper.

Mrs Cooper has a daughter who has followed in her footsteps and a son who works for an Educational Technology company. In her spare time, she enjoys outdoor activities, including walking and open water swimming, staff camping trips, holidays, skiing, reading and spending time with family and friends.

We all wish her well in her retirement and thank her for her amazing commitment to our community. Let's hope her final seven weeks are full of happy memories. She will be at our 50<sup>th</sup> birthday party on 16<sup>th</sup> July so pop along to see her if you can.

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| Member          | Year          | Noice:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |  |  |
| of staff        | group(s)      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |
| Year<br>Leaders | All           | All students will have been given a letter over the last week or so advising them if they are on track or what they need to improve upon to take part in our end of year rewards activities. Please talk about this with your child at home and scan the QR code to let the school know their reward preference.  This half term is a great opportunity to get back on track if you are currently working towards being allowed to take part in the rewards events. We want it to be a great celebratory day with as many students taking part as possible, use this time to show the best version of yourself! |  |  |  |
| Miss<br>Dalby   | KS3           | Miss Dalby is planning a very exciting trip to see The Lightning Thief: Percy Jackson musical in October. There are only 13 places for the whole of KS3. See Miss Dalby or your English teacher for a letter and get your reply slip in ASAP.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |  |  |
| Dr Banks        | All           | Home Learning Club - Mondays & Wednesdays GS3 3-4pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |  |  |
| Mrs Deer        | 11<br>Parents | If you wish to send in a good luck message for your child to be displayed outside of the hall please complete the message following this link: <u>Good Luck Message</u> ,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |
| Mrs<br>Ireland  | Parents       | If you have a career that you would like to share with our students, please email me to come in and do a lunchtime talk. We would like to restart our 'lunch with a' careers talks as they proved very popular last year. k.ireland@phs.jtmat.co.uk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |  |  |
| Mr<br>Jackson   | All           | Rounders club will be back on first Wednesday after half term (4th) June.  Well done to the following students who have all been nominated for county football trials at the end of this school year.  Austin - year 8  George - year 9  Olly- year 9  Seb- year 8  Annelise- year 9  Katie- year 10  Sam- year 10                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |
| Mr Parker       | 7 & 8         | Science Club on Tuesdays                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |

| Mr Ashraf                  | All | Worried about what your child is doing online?  You're not alone! It's hard to keep them safe when they're out and even when they're right at home on their devices  Who are they talking to?  What are they seeing?  Are they really OK?   On't worry, help is just a click away!  Visit <a href="https://parentsafe.lgfl.net">https://parentsafe.lgfl.net</a> for trusted advice, tools and support to help you keep your 11–18-year-old safe online.  Be informed. Stay connected. Keep them safe.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |
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| Mrs<br>Gadsby              | All | A date for your diary- A fantastic production of Wellington 24 by Rachel Harper will be performed on the 25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> June by our wonderful students - tickets will be on sale after Easter on ParentPay. It would be lovely to have a sellout both nights!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |
| Miss<br>Dalby              | 9   | There are only 9 spaces left on the Blood Brothers trip in September. Please return you reply slip to Reception ASAP to secure your place. See Miss Dalby for a letter.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |
| Mr Lloyd                   | All | Remember Sparx is set each week on a Tuesday and is due in the following Tuesday at 8am.  Complete the XP boost & Target activities to help your class win the Trophy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |
| Mr Ford                    | 11  | A reminder that Sparx Science home learning tasks have been set for 11Yellow, 11Green, 11Blue and 11Violet. These are due in every week on a Tuesday (but can be done at ANY point before then)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |
| Miss<br>Boston             | All | Drama club is taking place in PA2 on Wednesday 3-4pm Wellington 24 Rehearsals are taking place in PA2 on Thursday 3-4:30pm (extended by 30minutes)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |  |  |
| Reminders and<br>key dates |     | Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May – Half Term begins Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June – school reopens after Half Term Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 into 7 Summer School Day 1 (also 14/6 and 21/6) Wed/Thur 25 <sup>th</sup> /26 <sup>th</sup> June – 2025 School Show Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June – Year 11 Prom & Year 13 leavers' meal Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July – Year 6 Induction Day Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July – Walk '50 for 50' and fund-raising fun afternoon Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July – Inset Day – School Closed Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> July – Year 7 camp begins Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July – Y9, 10 and 12 Subject and Character Awards Assembly Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July – Y7 and 8 Subject and Character Awards Assembly Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July – 'Paulet at 50' birthday celebration 3pm to 6pm; school closes early at 1.20pm Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July – End of year rewards trips Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July – Last day of term; school closes at 12.20pm (non-uniform day) Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September – Year 7 and Year 12 start back Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September – everyone back! |  |  |  |

Click the link to see what clubs are on next week:

https://www.paulet.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/25.-Student-Leadership-and-Extra-Curricular-@-Paulet-High-School-2024-25.pdf





Headteacher: Mr I McArthur, B.Eng (Hons) Deputy Headteacher: Mrs V Deer, BA (Hons)

Friday 16th May 2025

To whom it may concern

#### Closure of Stanton Road Drive 2.30pm to 3.15pm

Increasingly, parents are using the Stanton Road drive to wait for their child(ren) at the end of the school day. I am now worried about the safety of our students as they leave the school site as I have witnessed some erratic and rapid driving down the drive.

From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, bollards will be in place at the bottom of the drive between 2.30pm and 3.15pm. Parents are welcome to park on the drive, if there is a space, before 2.30pm and wait until 3.15pm when the bollards will be dropped.

As apart of our expansion, we will shortly be painting numbered bays on the drive; each space will be assigned to a member of staff or 6th form student.

Kind regards,

Ian McArthur Headteacher



















Overcoming the harms caused by alcohol, drugs and gambling

# Gaming & Gambling workshop

Developing young people's understanding about gambling in video games and the potential dangers to look out for .

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2.30pm - 3.30pm at East Staffs Family Hub

age 10 + Parents to accompany young people





booking advisable by contacting eaststaffsfamilyhub@staffordshire.gov.uk / 01283 233400



## ATTENDANCE WHY IT MATTERS



Persistent absence means pupils who miss more than 10% of school every year.



For each additional day of absence between years 7 to 11, the typical pupil could miss out on an average of £750 in future lifetime earnings



Persistently absent pupils in year 10 and 11 could earn £10,000 less on average at age 28, compared to pupils with near perfect attendance

This **rises to almost £20k less** on average at age 28 for those who are **severely absent** 



For employability over a sustained period, people age 28 were around:



Less likely to be employed when persistently absent\*



Less likely to be employed when severely absent\*

\*Compared to their peers with near perfect attendance

