

The Paulet Post



Week beginning	10th November 2025		Week	Α	В	Menu Week 2	
Personal Development theme (extended form is Tuesday)	7	10 her					
	8 Paulet Remembers – 11th November @ 9.00am; all welcome to join us						
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Theme of assemblies	Anti-bullying Week			Year Leader Assemblies		House Assemblies	
Career of the week: Ecologist	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 #97 - ECOLOGIST						
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News and messages from Mr McArthur

I start my message to you all this week with some very sad news. Over half term I was informed that one of our students, who left us in the summer, has died. Ella Topliss spent 8 years at Paulet; extending her 6th Form by a year due to ill health. I have very happy memories of Ella two of which I'd like to share with you. In 2023 Ella was one of the students I took on the 6th Form trip to New York, Washington and Philadelphia. When she arrived at the airport she had the biggest bag I'd ever seen. 'What on earth have you got in there Ella' I asked. 'Twelve outfits sir... one for each day and one for each evening.' That's exactly what she wore while we were away... twelve immaculate and differently styled outfits. Later that year, I was on the 6th Form Christmas trip to Birmingham. I was sitting in Costa, having a rest, when Ella came in accompanied by a homeless gentleman she had encountered outside. Rather than give him a pound, she brought him in, bought him a coffee and sandwich, and sat chatting to him while he ate it and got warm. For Ella it was natural and the right thing to do! We have sent our condolences to her family and we will keep them, and Ella, in our thoughts.



Reminder - November 11th, Remembrance Day, is next week and with it our annual Paulet Remembers which takes place around our Memorial Copse (weather dependent). It is a short ceremony lasting about 20 minutes and starting at 9.00am. You are more than welcome to come along to watch; if you do, please don't drive as the site will be closed to cars.

On Tuesday we took 11 of our year 12 Criminology students to Staffordshire University where they took part in an immersive day of crime scene investigation. Sessions included how to document a crime scene, digital and forensic analysis and testing substances in a laboratory. They were fantastic and a credit to Paulet! The students really enjoyed the day, and we have received wonderful feedback from the University.









have a good weekend,

lan McArthur Headteacher.

(Ex)student(s) of the week

Mia Wheeler who left us Summer 2024 after her GCSEs is going from strength to strength and now regularly featuring in Derby Ladies first team.

In early October Mia started a (cup) match, played for the whole 90 minutes and scored her first senior goal. Her proud Mum (who keeps us up to date) was most proud that she was picked for the post-match interview which is still available on Derby County social media. That is a massive achievement for Mia who was always such a quiet young lady at school who, as they say, always let 'her football do the talking'.

Well done Mia – Keep it up.



Staff Profile... who's who!

Joanna Woodberry – Data Manager



Jo previously worked as a History teacher and head of department before joining Paulet in June 2024 as Data Manager. Her role includes maintaining student records, analysing exam data, producing reports and anything else which people need! She occasionally covers lessons too, just to keep her teaching up to date. Jo's office is in the 6^{th} form centre and students regularly pop in for stationery, help or a quick chat.

Outside of school, Jo is an active member of Tutbury Arts Group and can be seen on stage in their annual pantomime this December. She has two grown up children and enjoys reading, cooking and Pilates.

Member of staff	Year group(s)	Notice:		
Miss Lester	7&8	See the information below for the Year 7 & 8 Disco		
Mrs Lancaster	Parents/Carers	See the details below to sign up for myschoolfund.org to earn cashback for our school		
Mrs 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		
Miss Dartford	KS3	Art Club Thursday after school in AR2 3 – 4pm		
Reception Team	Parents/Carers	A reminder please, when the gates are closed and you need access to school, if possible, please press the intercom. This is so that we are able to identify who is requesting access to school for safeguarding purposes. Thank you.		
Miss Baker	All	There is a new and exciting 'Stranger Sagas' writing competition taking place in Creative Writing Club! Join us on Wednesday lunch times in EN4 to take part.		
Mr Peach	All	Code Club - If you are interested in coding or computer programming, come along to IT2 on Thursday after School		
Mrs Haigh	Year 10	Catch up sessions for child development and health & social care coursework continue to run - Tuesday lunchtimes in IT2		
Mrs McArthur	Parents/Carers	Staffordshire Council have launched a new campaign to raise awareness about attendance. There's lots of support for parents on their new website: https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Education-welfare/Im-here/Im-Here-Secondary-attendance-campaign.aspx As always, if you have any worries about your child's attendance, please get in touch with an email to attendance@phs.jtmat.co.uk. We are here to support you.		
Mrs Gadsby Miss Boston	All	Drama club - Wednesday lunch time - Every week - Anyone welcome! PA2		
Data manager	Parents/Carers	If you haven't yet set up your MCAS account, you can contact j.woodberry@phs.jtmat.co.uk or call the school office and ask for Jo Woodberry. MCAS is where you can see timetable, attendance, behaviour and home learning information. We will be sending out reports in MCAS instead of Go for Schools		
Mr Jackson	All	No Badminton club this week due to exams in the sports hall. No Football club this week due to a match @ Paulet on Wednesday. Both clubs will be back on-again next week. Year 8 boys football match v John Taylor Free School on Wednesday after school. Calling all swimmers: If anybody swims competitively (in galas outside of school) can you please tell your Pe teacher. All students- reminder about bringing your CORRECT PE kit for every lesson. Incorrect kit or injuries/ illness need to be communicated to school via a phone call/ note/ email from home. Thank you!		
Mr Parker	7 & 8	Science club Tuesday 3-4pm in SC2		
Miss Gordon	11	French club for Year 11 students after school on Wednesdays from 14.50 to 15.45		
Mr Parker	7 & 8	Pokémon club Monday lunchtime in SC2		
Dr Banks	All	Home Learning Club Mondays and Tuesdays 3-4pm GS3 Future Pathways Club Wednesdays 3-4pm GS3		

Tuesday 11th November – Paulet Remembers @9.00am

Wednesday 19th November Year 7 & 8 Disco

November 28th – Whole school PSHE day (with tutors)

Wednesday 3rd December – 6th Form Christmas trip to Birmingham Thursday 4th December – Year 13 Parents' Evening – 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Thursday 11th December – Winter Showcase – 6pm

Tuesday 16th December – CrackerDashTM Final

Wednesday 17th December – Year 7 Christmas Lunch (with very special guest)

Thursday 18th December – Christmas Jumper Day – food donations to local food bank

Thursday 18th December – 6th Form Christmas Lunch (with very special guest)

Friday 19th December – End of term; free non-uniform day; school closes at 12.20pm

Monday 5th January – School reopens at 8.27am

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

Reminders and key dates

https://www.paulet.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/26.-Student-Leadership-and-Extra-Curricular-@-Paulet-High-School-2025-26.pdf



Paulet High School & 6th Form College is part of the My School Fund initiative to help boost our budget.

This innovative scheme allows for us to be able to boost our school's budget with your help.

How does it work?

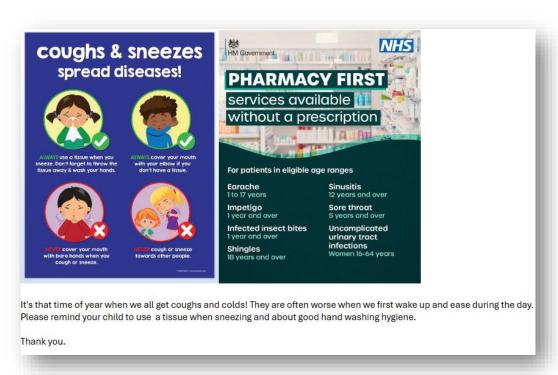
Parents, guardians and carers can sign up to the scheme for free and start earning cashback on the things they buy in participating retail stores, including Sainsbury's and Argos. As you spend, you'll receive 2% cashback in the form of eGift vouchers that can be redeemed in participating stores. By linking your spend to our school on the My School Fund website we'll also earn 1% cashback on your spend.

Add that all up across our school's network of families and together we can all make a big difference!

How to get involved

Visit myschoolfund.org to register for free and link to Paulet High School & 6th Form College. From there, everything you spend in participating stores will go towards helping boost our budget, plus your own! Sign up today at

myschoolfund.org



Class of 2025 - parents and carers of students who sat their GCSE exams and A Level/BTEC exams last year, you are invited to our annual Awards Evening on the 16th December at 6pm. Please scan the QR code to book a place, or use this link: Paulet Awards Evening Tuesday16th December 2025 – Fill in form

This is the evening your child will collect their official certificates.

SAVE THE DATE

AWARDS EVENING

COLLECT YOUR OFFICIAL CERTIFICATES

16 DECEMBER 2025



RSVP HERE



PAULET HALL 6PM

