

Week beginning	12 th October 2026	Week	A	B	Menu Week 2
Personal Development theme	7	Staying safe online and offline	10	Health & wellbeing	
	8	Rights, responsibilities and British Values	11	Careers and futures	
	9	Celebrating equality and diversity	6 th Form	Y12 - Behaviour curriculum Y13 UCAS reflection of Personal Statements	
Theme of assemblies	Black History Month			Year Leader Assemblies	House Assemblies
Career of the week: Electrical Engineer	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 #143 - ELECTRICAL ENGINEER				

News and messages from Mr McArthur

Happy Friday everyone!

First a message from our Attendance Lead Mrs McArthur:

Thank you and well done to all our parents and carers last year! Our attendance last year meant we were in the top 25% for both all schools and most improved schools in England. This is down to our partnership with parents and carers. Please do let us know if your child is struggling with an aspect of school - we can help before it becomes a barrier to attending. Do email us on attendance@phs.jtmat.co.uk if you need some support.

Also a reminder - we open at 8am to students. We have a free breakfast club with games every morning. There is free breakfast for eligible students and lots available to buy too. We start the day at 8.27am - please help us with punctuality in the mornings and let us know if you are struggling with this.

We do have a small group of students with entrenched lateness in the mornings. Currently, if they are late, they get a lunchtime detention. From Monday 19th October, if they arrive late their mobile phone will be put in a locked pouch for the day. We will unlock the pouch at 3.15pm and they will be free to go. If your child is late with a legitimate reason (traffic etc.) please email Attendance, using the address above, to tell us.



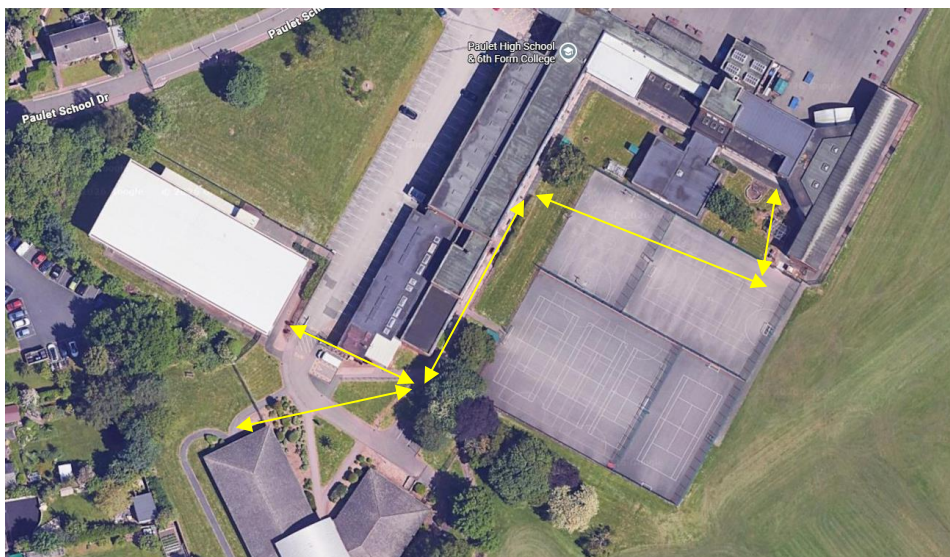
A group of students visited the National Remembrance Gardens this week to research the Parachute Regiment and Airborne Forces Memorial. We were aided by a guide who had served as a Military Policeman attached to airborne forces. We spent time finding out about the key features of the memorial, the history of the forces represented and some stories of the people who served. A very poignant experience for all involved. We shall be returning to the National Remembrance Gardens in November to deliver a presentation on this memorial as part of a JTMA history competition. We will of course also be paying our respects to all of those people who have served the country in the build up to Remembrance Day.

Big thank you to Michelle at Tesco in Burton for the donation of supplies to our hygiene bank. We set up our hygiene bank last academic year we have a selection of products available for students to collect when things might be running low at home, and you need that little bit of help. Products include period products, toothbrushes and toothpaste, deodorants, shower gels and lip balm. Products do vary due to everything being based on donations. Students can drop by Mrs Bradley's office outside of lesson time to collect what they need.



Well Done Charlotte! Charlotte in Year 7 has started her own club that runs at lunchtimes on Thursday in the Learning hub. It is a Diamond Art Club (I didn't know what that is, but I do now). Lots of students came to the first session yesterday and I'm sure they'll all come to many more.

And finally...it is truly wonderful that we are so oversubscribed; in fact, we have 180 in Year 7 which is 15 over our PAN (published admission number). The knock-on effect of this is that we have very busy corridors with some pinch points. To try to alleviate this, we are opening a new route between buildings on Monday 19th



October. If students are travelling between History / Ethics / Geography / Library / Music (one end of the school) and English / 6th Form / EDT / PE (other end of the school), they will use the new route and, as long as it's not raining, it will make corridors easier. I will be going through this change with students next week!

Have a great weekend everyone,

Ian McArthur – Headteacher

‘Thunk’ of the week: Can social media change what we believe is true?

Member of staff	Year group(s)	Noice:
Dr Banks	All	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. r.banks@phs.jtmat.co.uk
Mr Jackson	Years 7 - 13	PE clubs continue next week. Bring Pe kit and suitable footwear. All welcome! Monday-Dance club/ Year 7 & 8 football on the field Tuesday-Badminton club Wednesday- Netball club

Miss Dalby	KS3	KS3, don't forget your reading books for silent reading during English lessons. Your English teacher will let you know which day/lesson this will be happening on. You may bring anything to read e.g., a magazine, fiction or non-fiction as long as it is appropriate. If you are having trouble finding a book, see Miss Dalby in EN1 who has a reading trolley full of books.
Ms Catlin	12 & 13	Please complete the consent form and pay for your ticket on ParentPay for the Physics In action trip ASAP
SEND Team	Parents/carers	If you have any SEND enquiries please email the SEND team at mailto:phs-send@phs.jtmat.co.uk
Mrs Gadsby & Miss Boston	All year groups	See the poster below for Matilda the Musical Junior, we will be auditioning after school on Monday 12th October . To audition, you will need to collect your audition materials from Miss Boston or Mrs Gadsby in the Drama Studio after school and sign up for an audition time slot with one of them.
Dr Banks	Years 7 - 13	Home Learning Club Will start next week: Monday & Tuesday after school 3pm-4pm Wednesday, Thursday & Friday lunchtimes 1.20-2pm IT2
Data Manager	Parents/carers	Don't forget to log into MCAS and check the 'Parental Consent' module. There are updated photo permissions to complete, as well as first aid, ICT acceptable use, biometric scanner and ParentPay spend limits. If you need help logging in, please email j.woodberry@phs.jtmat.co.uk
Ms Catlin	11	Physics lunch time drops in start Wednesday in SC6 focusing on Paper 1 to prepare you for your trial exams
Mrs McArthur	Parents	The Staffordshire Autism Inclusion Team is offering a range of free sessions for parents and carers. Whether your child has an autism diagnosis, is on the assessment pathway, or hasn't yet been referred to our service, these sessions are open to you. Book your place here: https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/parentcarer-sessions-2026-2027-4829609/ see the poster below:
Mr Suleman	7 & 8	Lego club for Years 7 & 8 every Thursday lunchtime in EP1
Reminders and key dates		Thursday 15 th October – Post 16 Open Evening Friday 23 rd October – last day of half term Monday 2 nd November – start of new term – Trial Exams for two weeks or Y11 and Y13 Wednesday 11 th November – Paulet Remembers Friday 27 th November – Inset day (school closed) Thursday 3 rd December – Year 13 Parents' Evening Thursday 10 th December – Year 11 ARM meetings with parents (Academic Review Meetings) Tuesday 15 th December – Awards Evening – 2026 GCSE and Post 16 results Wednesday 16 th December – Year 7 Christmas Lunch Thursday 17 th December – Christmas Jumper Day; food collection for charity; 6 th Form Christmas Party Friday 18 th December – Last day of term; non-uniform day; students leave at 12.00pm Monday 4 th January – INSET Day – school closed to students Tuesday 5 th January – School reopens tom Students at 8.00am for a 8.27am start!

Lunchtime Clubs

Monday Lunchtimes

Library open every lunchtime for silent reading and study!

Club:	Year:	Location:
 Gaming 	All	IT1
 Chess	All	Collect set from Reception
Table Tennis	All	Collect set from Reception

Tuesday Lunchtimes

Club:	Year:	Location:
 Gaming 	All	IT1
 Chess	All	Collect set from Reception
Origami 	All	AR2
Table Tennis	All	Collect set from Reception
Crochet Club (Week A)	All	ML3
Home Learning	All	GS3

Wednesday Lunchtimes

Club:	Year:	Location:
 Gaming 	All	IT1
 Chess	All	Collect set from Reception
Drama 	All	PA2
Table Tennis	All	Collect set from Reception
Card Trading Club	7 to 9	HI1

Thursday Lunchtimes

Club:	Year:	Location:
 Gaming 	All	IT1
 LEGO	7&8	EP1
 Chess	All	Collect set from Reception
Table Tennis	All	Collect set from Reception
Home Learning	All	IT2
Diamond Art	All	Learning Hub

Friday Lunchtimes

Club:	Year:	Location:
 Chess	All	Collect set from Reception
 Blooket	7&8	IT1
Home Learning	All	IT2
Table Tennis	All	Collect set from Reception

The School Day – 2026-27

(A CONTINUOUS SINGLE TONE SIGNIFIES LOCKDOWN)

School Day 2026-27			
	Monday, Wednesday to Friday	Tuesday (PD Day)	
Movement Bell	8.27	8.27	
Form Time PD on Tuesday	8.30 – 9.00	8.30 – 9.20	
Lesson 1	9.00 – 10.00	9.20 – 10.15	
Lesson 2	10.00 – 11.00	10.15 – 11.10	
Break	11.00 – 11.20	11.10 – 11.30	
Lesson 3	11.20 – 12.20	11.30 – 12.25	
Lesson 4	12.20 – 1.20	12.25 – 1.20	
Lunch	1.20 – 2.00	1.20 – 2.00	
Lesson 5	2.00 – 3.00	2.00 – 3.00	
 Bells at: 8.27; 11.00 (11.10); 11.20 (11.30); 11.23 (11.33); 1.20; 2.00; 2.03			

Autumn Term 2026	Spring Term 2027	Summer Term 2027
OPEN Thur. 3 rd Sept - Yr7 Fri. 4 th Sept - all students	OPEN Tuesday 5 th January	OPEN Monday 12 th April
Last day of half term Friday 23 rd October	Last day of half term Friday 12 th February	Last day of half term Friday 28 th May
HALF TERM	HALF TERM	HALF TERM
OPEN Monday 2 nd November	OPEN Monday 22 nd February	OPEN Monday 7 th June
Last day of term Friday 18 th December	Last day of term Thursday 25 th March	Last day of term Wednesday 21 st July

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2027 – School Closed
 Training Days: Tuesday 1st September 2026; Wednesday 2nd September 2026; Friday 2nd October 2026; Friday 27th November 2026; Monday 4th January 2027; Friday 2nd July 2027

Parent Awareness Sessions - Autumn 2026

The Autism Inclusion Team is delighted to offer free, supportive sessions for parents and carers of children with an autism diagnosis who attend a Staffordshire school, including children and young people who have not yet been referred to our service.

Date	Time	Session	Location/Platform
Thursday 22.10.26	9:30 - 11:00	Understanding Autism	TEAMS - email: autism.training@staffordshire.gov.uk to book your place
	11:00 - 12:30	Raising Self-esteem	
	1:30- 3:00	Emotional Regulation	
Tuesday 03.11.26	09:30 - 11:00	Autism and Masking	Stafford Children's Centre 
Tuesday 03.11.26	1:00- 2:30	Reducing Barriers to Education	Stafford Children's Centre 
Wednesday 18.11.26	10- 12:30	Autism in the Early Years	TEAMS - email: autism.training@staffordshire.gov.uk to book your place
Tuesday 01.12.26	10:00- 11:30	Girls and Autism	Stafford Children's Centre 
Thursday 03.12.26	10- 11:30	Autism and Eating	TEAMS - email: autism.training@staffordshire.gov.uk to book your place

The Autism Inclusion Team is dedicated to driving cultural change that empowers educational settings and families to effectively support the teaching, learning and well-being of autistic students.



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ROALD DAHL'S

Matilda

THE MUSICAL

JUNIOR

Small
girl.
Big
dreams.

PERFORMANCE DATES

22nd, 23rd, 24th June 2027



AUDITIONS

will take place after school on
Monday 5th October | Tuesday 6th October
Wednesday 7th October

ALL YEAR GROUPS WELCOME!



Please see Mrs Gadsby or Miss Boston
for audition materials and to sign up
for the audition.

