The Paulet Post

Week beginning	16th November 2026	Week	A	B	Menu Week 3
Personal Development theme	7	Careers and futures	10	Celebrating equality and diversity	
	8	Staying safe online and offline	11	Relationship and sex education	
	9	Rights, responsibilities and British Values	6th Form	Y12 – Student Finance Y13 – Employability skills	
Theme of assemblies	Year Leader assemblies for Years 10, 11 and 6th Form		Year Leader Assemblies	House Assemblies	
Career of the week: Job Recruiter	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 #148 - JOB RECRUITER				

News and messages from Mr McArthur

Happy Friday everyone



Where shall I start this week? I think 'the gulls'! Our airborne menaces, the gulls, are becoming more of a problem for us. More than once this week students have been 'deposited on' and a couple of students have had their lunch ruined. While most of our students are very good and use bins, some food detritus gets dropped on the floor which attracts the gulls; they then raid bins for more food. We are going to try scarers again and, for a week starting on Monday 16th November, there will be no eating allowed on the school yard. All eating will need to be inside the building. Please help us to enforce this by talking to your child(ren) about our expectations.

On Wednesday we held our annual Paulet Remembers event. The whole school assembled on our car park, facing our Remembrance Copse, and listened to two readings, a prayer and a roll call of the Stapenhill lads we specifically remember on the 11th of November. During the event we had an impeccably observed one minute of silence which was book ended by the playing of the Last Post and then Reveille. Every single member of our school community showed true Paulet Character by listening intently and reflecting and showing their thanks at the appropriate times.

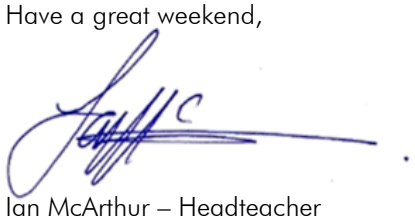


Mobile Phones in schools – some of you may have seen that the Government has this week strengthened further the new mobile phones in school rules which will come fully into effect on 1st September 2027. From that date phones must be totally inaccessible to children during the school day – just being switched off and in school bags will not be enough. I don't know which direction of travel Paulet will follow but I do feel all of us (as parents) need to begin the process of reducing our children's reliance on their mobile devices during the day. It seems an apposite time to remind parents of our 'out of sight, out of mind' initiative. We need to ensure phones are off and away at night, so our young people get a good night's sleep. This is also a good time to remind parents to regularly check what 'sites' and 'groups' our young people are accessing; I know a great many of you do already which is superb.



And finally, just a reminder that our next inset day is Friday 27th November when the school will be closed to students. We will reopen at 8.27am on Monday, 30th November.

Have a great weekend,



Ian McArthur – Headteacher

'Thunk' of the week:
Is it possible to disagree respectfully with someone's beliefs?

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
Data Manager	Parents/Carers	Student Data Check My Child at School (MCAS) has updated the formatting for the data collection form and admission form, so now is a good time to check the information we hold about you and your child. Please log in to MCAS and use the 'data collection form' or 'admission form' tab to check and change anything which isn't correct. If you haven't already, you can also check the 'Parental Consent' module and make sure that is up to date. If you need a MCAS log in, please email j.woodberry@phs.jtmat.co.uk. Thank you.
Miss Gordon	Parents/Carers French Trip	A reminder that the final French Trip payments are due by Friday 27th November on ParentPay.
Dr Banks	Years 7 - 13	Home Learning Club Monday & Tuesday after school 3pm-4pm Wednesday, Thursday & Friday lunchtimes 1.20-2pm IT2
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
Ms Catlin	11	Wednesday SC6 Lunchtime drop-ins focusing on paper 2.

Reminders and key dates	Friday 27th November – Inset day (school closed) Thursday 3rd December – Year 13 Parents' Evening Thursday 10th December – Year 11 ARM meetings with parents (Academic Review Meetings) Tuesday 15th December – Awards Evening – 2026 GCSE and Post 16 results - 6th Form Christmas Party Wednesday 16th December – Year 7 Christmas Lunch Thursday 17th December – Christmas Jumper Day; food collection for charity; Friday 18th December – Last day of term; non-uniform day; students leave at 12.00pm Monday 4th January – INSET Day – school closed to students Tuesday 5th January – School reopens to Students at 8.00am for a 8.27am start!

The School Day – 2026-27

(A CONTINUOUS SINGLE TONE SIGNIFIES LOCKDOWN)

School Day 2026-27 — PAULET HIGH SCHOOL & 6th FORM COLLEGE

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

Lunchtime Clubs

Library open every lunchtime for silent reading and study!

Monday Lunchtimes

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

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Autism Inclusion Team

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 Barries 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.