



# Paulton Infant School

## Newsletter No.10 : May 2024

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Dear Parents/Carers

We are nearly half way through Term 5 and time is rushing by! This week I focused on an environmental issue that I think has sparked some interest and got the children thinking about another way we can help our environment—see the 'Big Battery Hunt' section below.

### Duracell's 'Big Battery Hunt'

We have joined Duracell's BIG BATTERY HUNT which is a nationwide recycling challenge, inspiring pupils to power change across their schools and wider communities. Now in its fifth year, the BIG BATTERY HUNT is bigger and better than ever! To date Duracell has recycled 16.5M batteries. Currently this year's total is 756,006 and we hope to do our bit to help boost this total by collecting batteries in school. You will hear more from your children (hopefully!) so please start saving your used batteries and bring them into school where each class will have their own collection box. We will keep the running total in the newsletter so that as a community we can see how we are helping this amazing recycling initiative.



### Walk to School Week

On Monday 20th to Friday 24th May it's @LivingStreets' #WalktoSchoolWeek and our pupils are ready to feel the #MagicOfWalking. Our school is proud to celebrate the #walktoschool along with hundreds of thousands of pupils this week.

[Walk to School Week \(livingstreets.org.uk\)](http://livingstreets.org.uk)



### On-Line Safety Tip of the Week Online Safety Tip



Did you know.. movies, TV shows, games and apps all have age ratings? An age rating indicates what age the content of the media is suitable for and is intended to prevent children from accessing content that may be inappropriate or cause them harm. You can find out more about the age rating of your children's favourite games, videos and apps at [Common Sense Media: Age-Based Media Reviews for Families | Common Sense Media](https://www.commonsensemedia.org/)

### Safety in our school

Unfortunately I am still noticing a number of children using their scooters in the car park in the morning especially at dropping off time. Please can I remind all parents/carers to ensure that their children are not riding their bikes or scooters in the school car park at drop off or pick up times. Unfortunately, once again, small children are getting hurt. If children push their scooters or bikes they are in complete control and then injuries won't happen. Please can you do your very best to help us with this? Thank you!

### Dates to remember:

- 6th May—May Bank Holiday—no school
- 14th May—Class Photos and Yr 2 leaver photos
- 16th May—Reception height, weight, hearing and vision screening
- 16th May— School Governors to join children for lunch
- 20th May—Walk to School Week
- 21st May— Reception Classes Trip to Chew Valley
- 25th May—Half Term

As always, please feel free to come and talk to me if you have any questions or concerns. Best wishes Emily Omell



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### Gem Power Winners

Gem Power Certificates celebrate the Gem Power Behaviours, We display the names of the winners in the hall each week.

Names	Class	Gem Power	Reason for awarding the certificate
Dexter	Elder	Emerald	For using emerald power to make his writing really neat
Mason	Elder	Emerald	For using emerald power to have a go at lots of things with a positive attitude
Alfie	Elder	Emerald	For using emerald power to do great pictures and writing about family
Koa	Mulberry	Emerald	For creating a fantastic repeating pattern
Lenny	Mulberry	Emerald	For his wonderful effort in phonics
Hugo	Mulberry	Emerald	For a wonderful effort with writing sentences in phonics
Leah-Mae	Hazel	Sapphire	For staying focused and participating in all her tasks this week
Elijah	Hazel	Topaz	Working well in his group making a bridge out of paper
Lyla-Rose	Hazel	Sapphire	Staying focused during phonics and showing a huge improvement
Addison	Hawthorn	Emerald	For trying really hard when counting in tens in Maths
Alfie	Hawthorn	Emerald	For having a go and trying his best in Maths lessons
Byron	Hawthorn	Sapphire	For amazing focus when writing facts about railways
Florence	Sycamore	Diamond	For persevering to solve learning problems independently
Eddie	Sycamore	Emerald	Having a go at all new learning even when its seems more challenging
Esme	Sycamore	Amethyst	Being a brilliant partner to lots of people supporting and listening to others
Amelia	Maple	Amethyst	For being a fantastic friend and demonstrating brilliant partner work as we explored using Scratch Jr.
Ava	Maple	Sapphire	For using fantastic sapphire power to help her focus on her learning and settle back into Maple Class
Ollie	Maple	Emerald	For giving all learning tasks fantastic effort and for really having a go to expand his ideas in writing
Alex and Sophie	Magnolia	Topaz	For using their topaz power to make a boat as a team
Leo	Magnolia	Emerald	For using his emerald power to show great attitude to his learning jobs this week
Sofija	Magnolia	Emerald	For using her emerald power to try really hard in her learning this week
Leo	Holly	Diamond	For super problem solving with his reading
Elijah	Holly	Diamond	Becoming more independent