



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



As the summer term comes to an end I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support during a very busy year. Over the past few months your children have appeared in school concerts and drama productions, shown off their art work in our annual Art Show, and our Year 11 and Year 13 students have had their graduations and prom events. Our Sports Day students broke a number of long standing records and many of our students competed in national and international tournaments both here and abroad. Staff have arranged a huge number of trips and visits including Iceland, Auschwitz, France and Belgium, Italy, Nettlecombe, Thorpe Park and much more, as well as to universities – Oxford, Cambridge, Royal Holloway, Sussex, and Reading to name but a few. We look forward to all of this and more for next year. Have a lovely summer.

Ms White (Headteacher)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REPORTS

Year 7 and 10 reports have been issued this week and are available online as usual via Go 4 Schools. The service is available either by going to our website www.furzeplatt.com and clicking on the quick link 'Online Reporting', or by going directly to Go 4 Schools www.go4schools.com.

Should you have any problems accessing your child's report please contact me at reports@furzeplatt.net.

Mrs K Avery (Data Manager)



UPCOMING EVENTS

Important Dates Next Term

ALL EVENTS

SPORTS CALENDAR

THU 17 AUGUST	Year 13 - A Level/AS Level Results Day	9am - 12.30pm
	Year 12 - A Level/AS Level Results Day	9.45am - 12.30pm
THU 24 AUGUST	Year 11 - GCSE Results Day	10am - 12.30pm
	Year 9/10 - GCSE Results Day	11am - 12.30pm
MON 4 SEPTEMBER	Year 7 & 12 Induction Day (for Year 7 & 12 only)	12pm - 3pm
TUE 5 SEPTEMBER	Start of Term 1 - All Years (Week 1)	8.40am - 3.15pm
WED 6 SEPTEMBER	PTFA Meeting - All Welcome	6pm - 7pm
MON 11 SEPTEMBER	Year 7 & Year 10 Photos	9am - 12pm
TUE 12 SEPTEMBER	Year 12 - Preparing to Succeed Evening	6.30pm - 7.30pm
	Year 13 - Preparing to Succeed Evening	7.30pm - 8.30pm
THU 14 SEPTEMBER	Year 7 - Preparing to Succeed Evening	6.30pm - 7.30pm
THU 21 SEPTEMBER	Celebration Evening	7pm - 8pm
THU 28 SEPTEMBER	Year 11 - Preparing to Succeed Evening	6.30pm - 7.30pm
	Year 10 - Preparing to Succeed Evening	7.30pm - 8.30pm
THU 5 OCTOBER	Whole School Open Evening	6pm - 9pm
FRI 6 OCTOBER	INSET Day	All Day
FRI 6 - SUN 8 OCTOBER	Year 7 PGL Trip - Group 1	
SUN 8 - WED 11 OCTOBER	Nettlecombe Biology Trip	
TUE 10 OCTOBER	Year 8 - Preparing to Succeed Evening	6.30pm - 7.30pm
	Year 9 - Preparing to Succeed Evening	7.30pm - 8.30pm
THU 12 OCTOBER	Year 7 - Head of House/Parents' Consultation Evening	5pm - 7pm
FRI 13 - SUN 15 OCTOBER	Year 7 PGL Trip - Group 2	
THU 19 OCTOBER	Year 11 - Parents' & Students' Consultation Evening	4.15pm - 7.15pm
FRI 20 OCTOBER	End of Term 1	3.15pm finish
MON 23 - FRI 27 OCTOBER	Half Term	
MON 30 OCTOBER	Start of Term 2 (Week 2)	

SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/2018

SUMMER READING AND ACTIVITY SUGGESTIONS



With the long and hopefully hot summer holidays approaching, many students and parents have asked for suggestions for enjoyable but educational books to read and activities to do. Our Reading and Activity List in the link below covers all subjects and all key stages. It includes films, websites, places to visit and things to do, as well as books to read. It is suitable for all students who want to broaden their horizons, and is a great way for students to stretch themselves as well as having fun.

Mr Towill (Deputy Headteacher)

SUMMER READING AND ACTIVITY LIST 2017

GCSE RESULTS DAY AND SIXTH FORM REGISTRATION



Thursday 24th August 2017

Please come to the Drama Studio at the following times to collect your results:

- Year 11: 10am -12.30pm
- Year 9/10: 11am-12.30pm

If you are unable to attend in person please refer to the results collection form that is available by clicking [here](#). Sixth Form registration will take place in the Sixth Form block as follows:

- Internal registration for Bisham, Bray, Cookham & Dorney: 11am - 12pm
- Internal registration for Eton, Henley, Marlow & Windsor: 12pm - 1pm
- External student registration: 12.30pm – 2pm

Please ensure you bring your Registration Form and Common Room Fund Payment. In addition please ensure you visit the [Summer work](#) section on our website for your chosen A Level subjects to be completed by your first lesson in September 2017.

Mr J Dollery (Head of Sixth Form)

FPSS EXAM INFORMATION WEBPAGE

A LEVEL & AS RESULTS (GCE) DAY



Thursday 17th August 2017

Please come to the Drama Studio at the following times to collect your results:

- Year 13: 9am – 12.30pm
- Year 12: 9.45am – 12.30pm

If you are unable to attend in person please refer to the Results collection form that is available by clicking [here](#). There will be advisers on hand to help you through the next stage of the process should you need assistance on receipt of your results. In addition please ensure all school resources are returned, e.g. text books. Those Year 13 students who have not collected their photos will also be able to do so.

Mr J Dollery (Head of Sixth Form)

FPSS EXAM INFORMATION WEBPAGE

UCAS & HIGHER EDUCATION GUIDE



Following the successful careers day for our Year 12 students on Monday 17th July 2017 please see the link below for the UCAS & Higher Education Guide for 2018.

Thank you to:

Alpha Recruitment for their CV Workshop. Mr Jeff Lloyd for his advice on Student Finance. Mr Tom Angier for his workshop on Interview Techniques. Mr Ryan Jones, Mr Tom Watts and Mr Peter Rawlings for their talk in relation to writing Personal Statements, and for those aspiring to go to Oxbridge or study Medicine in relation to their UCAS applications and University interviews. Mr James Dollery, Head of Sixth Form, delivered the workshop applying to Higher Education via UCAS Apply.

UCAS, HIGHER EDUCATION AND APPRENTICESHIPS

SIXTH FORM CHARGING POLICY



Please find below our Charging Policy for Sixth Form resources.

In common with most schools and colleges our Sixth Form students are required to purchase the core mandatory textbooks, electronic learning resources and revision guides they require for each of their subjects, to a maximum amount of £30 per subject per year.

Our primary aim is to ensure the high quality of education on offer in our Sixth Form and we do not intend that any student should be unduly disadvantaged by this. If any student feels they cannot afford the core mandatory resources they will be encouraged to apply for a Sixth Form bursary.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this further.

Thank you for your support in this matter

Ms T White (Headteacher)



Start of the School Day

The school day starts at 8.40am and all students should be on site by that time. This allows all students to be at their tutor base and seated by 8.45am. If students arrive after 8.40am they are late for school.

Uniform

The full uniform list can be found on the school website, www.furzeplatt.com - Parents - Uniform and in our Year 7 Parents' Guide. Our students wear their uniform with pride and always look smart and ready to learn. Below are a few reminders to ensure all students return in September with correct uniform:

1. Outdoor coats should be plain and dark (black or navy)
2. Plain socks only white for girls (plain black under trousers), black or dark grey for boys
3. Jewellery a watch and single pair of ear studs are allowed. No other jewellery should be worn. Any other piercings are not permitted.
4. Hair - hairstyles should be sensible and appropriate to the working environment. Shaved heads or shaved patterns in hair are not permitted. Unnatural hair colours are not permitted.
5. Nails- nail extensions/false nails are not permitted and are a health and safety risk in some lessons (e.g. PE)

Full uniform guidelines are available on our website:

UNIFORM FOR YEARS 7-11

UNIFORM FOR SIXTH FORM

Covering Books

As last year, we will be asking students to cover their books in September. You may want to purchase some book covers or sticky back plastic over the summer.

Stationery

All students must have the following stationery as a minimum:

- 2 (working) pens
- Pencil
- Rubber
- Ruler
- 2 highlighter pens

Plus:

- Scientific calculator
- Protractor

Thank you.

ETON COLLEGE SCHOLARS 2017

A number of Furze Platt Sixth Formers attended Eton College as part of their Summer Schools programme, covering a range of subjects.

Will Parsons – Politics and Economics

John Conacher – Mathematics, Physics

Polly Batstone – Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics

Olivia Flood – Biology, Chemistry

Catrin Osborne – English

Jonathan Knowles – Physics, Chemistry



THORPE PARK BUSINESS TRIP



Last Thursday and Friday our Year 9 and 10 Business students visited Thorpe Park to find out about how they market and promote the theme park. They started the day in the 'Thrills Workshop' where they learnt about how Thorpe Park uses the 4 Ps of the Marketing Mix to help them to achieve their objectives. They were given the opportunity to come up with their own social media campaign for Thorpe Park which got them thinking about the more modern uses of promotion. There were some really good suggestions and ideas around the idea of hashtags and getting celebrities to visit the park and then Tweet/Instagram/Facebook their visit.

When the talk was over the students had the opportunity to experience the Marketing Mix at Thorpe Park for themselves by trying out the rides (the product), buying lunch/snacks/merchandise (the price), experiencing the different zone/areas of the theme park and the links they've established with film/cartoon franchises like 'Angry Birds' and 'Saw' (the promotion) and finally by exploring the growing island (the place).

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A fun (and exhausting) day was had by all and although the park was busy students were still able to get onto some of the more popular rides quickly allowing them to make the most of the day out. Students will be using the information gained during the presentation to help them next year as they begin to study how bigger businesses market and promote themselves.

JUNIOR MATHS CHALLENGE

Junior Maths Challenge participants have received their certificates. Congratulations to our Year 7 and 8 mathematicians. A special mention to Jamie Ashworth and Freddie Stevens who were both invited to participate in the Junior Mathematical Kangaroo as a result of their excellent scores in the challenge. Congratulations to Jamie who has been awarded a Certificate of Merit.

Year 7



Year 8



BRITISH JUNIOR ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS - NOTTINGHAM



Congratulations to Charlotte Williams (Year 10) who won a silver medal in the WJ 15 Pair and a bronze in the WJ15 Coxed four.

CHARITY TOTALS



A huge thank you and well done to everyone who has raised money this year.

Our PTFA have held quiz nights, table top sales and more and continue to be a key element in driving fundraising for our school. Please do keep an eye out for more fundraising in the autumn term – your children benefit from these initiatives so we do ask you support them in their endeavours to raise money. Thank you to the team who work very hard behind (and in front of) the scenes.

Our Sixth Form raised over £1000 for Starlight Children's Foundation. Furze Platt students also raised significant amounts for the Link Foundation (£150), Woofability (£158), the Alexander Devine Foundation (£120) and Leukaemia Research (£75). Well done, we are very proud that you raise so much for such worthy causes.

All parents who have signed up to Easyfundraising have raised over £2000 for the school so far. If you haven't already, please do visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/?appdownload=ios> and download the app – this will pop up whenever you make a purchase that we can benefit from. It doesn't cost you any extra so please sign up!

Our Easy Fundraising Leader board

So far the **104** supporters of **Furze Platt Senior School, Maidenhead** have raised **£2,159.57**









Pos.	Name	Raised
1st	Claire D.	£477.54
2nd	Louise J.	£258.91
3rd	Claire D.	£176.99
4th	Sueli J.	£75.75
5th	Anonymous	£64.99
6th	Giulia S.	£51.55
7th	Judith C.	£48.29
8th	Angela C.	£45.04
9th	Melanie H.	£42.48
10th	Katie D.	£33.70

And last but not least, a certain member of staff walked and climbed for miles to raise money for the school. His target was £1000, with the aim of 'Advancing the education of the pupils at the school by providing and assisting in the provision of the facilities for education at the school...' We are delighted to report that so far he has raised over £1900. A fantastic achievement by Mr Melville and we hope his feet have stopped aching by now...



MARLOW HOUSE ARE OUR END OF TERM WINNERS

A special mention to all of the students nominated below by their respective Heads of Houses. These students have been put forward for their positive attitudes and helpful behaviour, and contribute to a wide range of school activities.

32,510 HP	35,120 HP	36,110 HP	33,000 HP
			
Bethany Admans & Keith Cory	Amelia Ballard & Duncan Bentley	Imogen Shaw & Joshua Dilley	Anna Gambrill & William Atkinson
32,950 HP	35,980 HP	37,010 HP	33,260 HP
			
Mariana Gouveia & Edwin Isted	Erin Huddleston & Sid Baker-Smith	Megan Dixon & Harley Page	Emily Bristow & Freddie Stevens

SUBJECT NOMINATIONS

Art & Design Nominations

Year 7: Ellie Gavin/James Huband
 Year 8: Tallulah Werrett/Ben Alberts
 Year 9: Kirsty Emmett/Barney Buckland
 Year 10: Angelique Soden/Jake Streatfield
 Year 12: Ryan Lewis

Drama Nominations

Year 7: Rosa Kelly/Patrick Kelly
 Year 8: Megan Dixon/Charlie Ferriman
 Year 9: Elise Brammer/Kyle Bramwell
 Year 10: Darcey Richardson/Samuel Holbrook

Physical Education Nominations

Year 7: Amy Lillywhite/Matthew Cooley
 Year 8: Ava Neeves/Freddie Smith
 Year 9: Bethan Nicholas/Mihalis Despiniadis
 Year 10: Beth Murray/Louis Forisky
 Year 12: Abi Ash

History and Government & Politics Nominations

Year 7: Erin McEvoy/Nicholas Holdsworth
 Year 8: Carmen Hernansanz Santos/Fraser Quin
 Year 9: Gaia Goldberg/Patrick Flood
 Year 10: Liv Howley/Muhammad Summandar
 Year 12: Ben Townsend

Geography Nominations

Year 7: Ella-Mae Chopra/Jack Staunton
 Year 8: Claire O'Brien/Harry Robinson
 Year 9: Tahlia Ratcliffe/Bailey Knott
 Year 10: Molly Sammes/James Dean
 Year 12: Samantha Coombs

Music Nominations

Year 7: Scarlett Phillips/Alfie Windsor
 Year 8: Isabella Considine/Nick Cowdery
 Year 9: Emily St Lawrence/Kyle McDonald
 Year 10: Sophie Caldwell/Duncan Bentley

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Progress in English Nominations



- Year 7: Millie Fisher/Farhaan Khan
Year 8: Nicola Williams/Tyler Dutson
Year 9: Lucy Turner/Zac Hudson-Clark

Maths Nominations



- Year 7: Nina Drenski/Damir Bajohr
Year 8: Ellen Gomersall/Benjamin Sheppard
Year 9: Holly Bird/George Clarke-Tome
Year 10: Ife Ogidan/Matthew Miller
Year 12: Georgia Sellwood

Technology, Food Tech Nominations



- Year 7: Lily Rasti/Ollie Marland
Year 8: Nicola Oakley/Oliver Fitzgerald
Year 9: Abbie Stares/Joseph Stimson
Year 10: Sian Holmes/Paul Barnes

Product Design Nomination



- Year 12: Robyn Payne

ICT Nominations



- Year 9: Isabel Young/Alex Ash
Year 10: Tom Sutton
Year 12: Naomi Ross-Masson

Computing Nomination



- Year 12: Weronika Walerowska

Languages Nominations



- Year 7: Kiki Quibell/Victor Harrit
Year 8: Amelia Ballard/Marcus Brienza
Year 9: Amber Hemsley/Daniel Wallace
Year 10: Orla Brennan/Peter Anderson
Year 12: Giulia Mubeen

Philosophy & Religion/Ethics Nominations



- Year 7: Anna Gambrell/Sam Rollett
Year 8: Eliza Stevenson/Freddie Stevens
Year 10: Jessica Phillips/Richard Booth
Year 12: Molly Baston

Psychology Nomination



- Year 12: Zach Penman

Business Nominations



- Year 9: Lilia Klibi/David Kupsky
Year 10: Hannah Atkins/Archie Standen
Year 12: Azida Fernandes

Economics Nomination



- Year 12: Tom Schilling

Citizenship Nominations



- Year 7: Amelie Owen/William Atkinson
Year 8: Melissa Barnby/Maan Kafori
Year 9: Bethan Terry/Rajveer Notay

English Nominations



- Year 7: Lillia Bowsher/Keith Cory
Year 8: Justine Anne Dela Vega/Tom Lonsdale
Year 9: Anya Idrizi/Rhys Jones
Year 10: Gemma Higley/Daniel White
Year 12: Catrin Osborne

Media Nomination



- Year 12: Eliza Bennett

Child Development Nominations



- Year 9: Rhiannon Williams
Year 10: Lauryn Pickett

Construction Nominations



- Year 9: Daniel J Webb
Year 10: Jay Paine

Duke of Edinburgh Nominations



- Year 9: Shannon Doyle/William Sapstead
Year 10: Samuel Kirkaldie

Science Nominations



- Year 7: Abbie Taylor/Samuel Mizik
Year 8: Stephanie Gaibani/Ethan Merwood
Year 9: Mimi Gray/Philip Harrit
Year 10: Millie Harvey/Lewis Warner-Jones

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Biology Nomination

Year 12: Louisa Snape



Chemistry Nomination

Year 12: Matthew Baker



Physics Nomination

Year 12: Jonathan Knowles



FPSS would like to welcome the following trainee teachers who will join us for their main placement in September:-

- Miss Katie Alston - Science Department
- Miss Hayley Howard - Geography Department
- Mr Lewis Smith - PE Department
- Mrs Sophie Walters - MFL Department
- Mr Chris Burrows - History Department
- Dr Andrea Turkson - Science Department
- Miss Shakeela Khalid - English Department
- Mrs Manjula Saraswatula - Maths Department

If you are interested in considering teacher training, information about courses for 2018-2019 will be available in UCAS www.ucas.com and on our website www.teachmaidenhead.co.uk in October.

Mrs D Harding (HR Manager)

TEACH MAIDENHEAD - TEACHER TRAINING

CURRENT VACANCIES

Would you like to join the support staff team of an extremely popular and expanding secondary school?

IT INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEER

COMMUNITY NEWS

FORMER FURZE PLATT STUDENT WINS THREE MEDALS AT WORLD TRANSPLANT GAMES



Stuart Robbins, who had a bowel transplant in 2009, won a Gold medal in badminton doubles and two Bronze medals in the games. The competition aims to raise awareness about organ donation and is held every two years, this year in Malaga, Spain, from 25 June to 1 July.

Stuart's aunt, Mrs Harding, HR Manager at Furze Platt Senior School, said, "We were so proud of Stuart to do so well against all adversity. The support he has had from everyone including family, friends, all at BCA and Furze Platt Senior School has been amazing. I would urge everyone to sign up to be a donor if they haven't already as it makes such a difference to people's lives."



TEACH MAIDENHEAD TEACHER TRAINEES 2017-18

Welcome to the nineteen trainee teachers who have joined the Teach Maidenhead teacher training partnership (Furze Platt Senior School, Cox Green School, Altwood Church of England School, Desborough College and Holyport College) and who will commence their training in September 2017.



REMINDERS

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Mrs K Avery (Data Manager)

YEAR 8

YEAR 9

YEAR 12

PROM PHOTOS

You have probably seen that I have now shared the prom pictures with you via google docs. Several of you have sent me requests for access from personal email accounts. For safeguarding reasons I can only share these images with email addresses from Furze Platt to ensure they are not shared with people from outside our school. If you cannot access your school google docs then you will either need to politely contact the IT department at school to ask if they can reset your password or will need a friend to download the images for you.

Miss L Lewis (Teacher of PSHE/Citizenship)

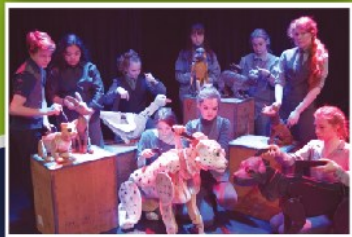


SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT FUND

You may have seen in the news recently that schools are about to experience the first real time cuts in education costs. At Furze Platt we are always looking for ways to ensure our students have access to facilities that will further their learning and socialising here. The standard budget does not include extras that we believe are extremely important to facilitate your child's future education. Please see the letter below for further information.

Ms T White (Headteacher)

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT FUND LETTER



Open Morning
Monday 3rd July 2017
For Year 5 Parents*

Open Evening
Thursday 5th Oct 2017
All Welcome

School Tours Available
Sept and Oct 2017
All Welcome*

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*Please contact us to reserve a space for these events.

Furze Platt Senior School offers:

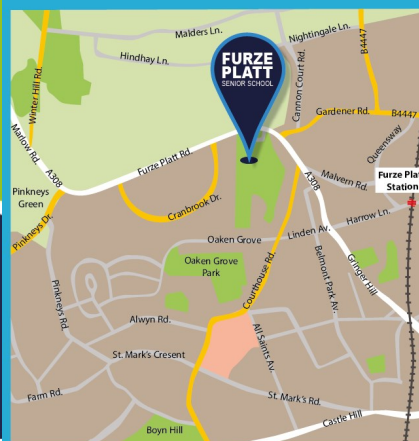
- ▶ A broad, stimulating and rewarding education for girls and boys
- ▶ Outstanding academic, sporting and 'the arts' facilities
- ▶ Supportive transition activities for all our Year 7 students
- ▶ A wealth of extra-curricular interests, trips and visits

'An increased number of pupils achieved top grades at key stage 4 [and] made very strong progress in both academic and vocational subjects. The most able make similar or greater progress than other pupils nationally.'

- Ofsted



How to find us:



'Pupils achieve highly at this school'

- Ofsted 2016

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