



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

OPEN EVENING PROSPECTUS 2017

Thank you to all who attended last night's Open Evening. The school prospectus is now available to view on our website.

**VIEW OUR
NEW PROSPECTUS**



HEAD OF HOUSE CONSULTATION EVENING



On Thursday 12th October there will be an opportunity for parents of Year 7 students to meet their child's Head of House.

Appointments are booked online and are available from 4.30pm until 7pm. To book appointments and for full instructions, either follow the link below or go to the Parents' Evening Bookings link under 'News & Events' on the front page of the school website.

Appointment slots are available now and will very quickly fill up. We advise you to book as soon as possible. If you have any problems, please contact the school office on 01628 625308.

We look forward to seeing you.

Mr J Sheppard, Deputy Headteacher

BOOK APPOINTMENTS

GUIDE TO BOOKING APPOINTMENTS

REPORTS



Year 13 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 Parents, then Reports or by going directly to Go 4 Schools www.go4schools.com.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL EVENTS

SPORTS CALENDAR

SCHOOL CLUBS LIST

Next Week (Week 2)

SUN 8 OCTOBER	Year 13 Biology Residential Trip to Nettlecombe Court	Returns Wed 11 th October
TUE 10 OCTOBER	School Tours (Year 5 Parents/Students)	9.15am - 10.15am
	Preparing to Succeed in Year 8 Parents' Evening	6.30pm - 7.30pm
THU 12 OCTOBER	Preparing to Succeed in Year 9 Parents' Evening	7.30pm - 8.30pm
	School Tours (Year 5 Parents/Students)	9.15am - 10.15am
FRI 13 OCTOBER	Year 7 Head of House / Parents' Consultation Evening	5pm - 8pm
	Year 7 PGL Trip (Group 2)	Returns Sun 15 th October

Forthcoming Events

TUE 17 OCTOBER	School Tours (Year 5 Parents/Students)	9.15am - 10.15am
THU 19 OCTOBER	School Tours (Year 5 Parents/Students)	9.15am - 10.15am
	Year 11 Parents' and Students' Consultation Evening	4.15pm - 7.15pm
FRI 20 OCTOBER	End of Term 1	Return Mon 30 th October
SAT 21 - SUN 29 OCTOBER	Half Term	
MON 30	Start of Term 2	

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

Mrs K Avery (Data Manager)

[VIEW REPORT](#)

PHOTO ORDER COLLECTION DATE HAS CHANGED



Deadline for Year 7 and 10 photo orders has changed to Wednesday 11th October due to the INSET day today.

MANDARIN AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



A new Mandarin after school club will be starting on Thursday 12th October which focuses on learning basic Mandarin including: greetings, introducing yourself and much more. The sessions will take place every Thursday, from 3.15pm - 4.15pm (3.15pm - 4pm on Parent Evenings) with Miss Roujansky in MFL4. To sign up and for more details please click the link below.

[MANDARIN CLUB - REPLY SLIP](#)

DO YOU WANT TO GAIN YOUR DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD?



The Duke of Edinburgh Award (D of E) is the world's leading youth achievement award. It is a non-competitive programme of activities for anyone aged 14-24.

Participation in the D of E gives young people the opportunity to experience new activities or develop existing skills.

There are three progressive levels which, when successfully completed, lead to a Bronze, Silver or Gold award. The award is completed by choosing volunteering, physical and skills activities, going on an expedition, and for Gold only, taking part in a residential activity.

Volunteering - undertaking service to individuals or the community

Physical - improving an area of sport, dance or fitness activities

Skills - developing practical and social skills and personal interests

Expedition - planning, training for, and completion of, an adventurous journey in the UK or abroad

Residential - staying and working away from home during a shared activity

We are delighted to inform you that we will be delivering the Bronze Award to students in Years 9 & 10, and the Silver Award to those in Year 12.

We would like to welcome you to a parents' information evening, on Tuesday 17th October. For Bronze

participants, this will take place between 6pm - 7pm, and for Silver, 7pm- 8pm.

We anticipate that this event will be oversubscribed, therefore it is essential you reserve a space on My Little Box Office, under Box Office Tickets via the Parents' tab on our website.

[DUKE OF EDINBURGH INFORMATION EVENING - BOOK A PLACE](#)

[DUKE OF EDINBURGH MORE INFORMATION](#)

CAREERS AND HIGHER EDUCATION FAIR



Thursday 23rd November 6pm - 8pm

We are delighted to announce we will be holding our annual Careers and Higher Education Fair, for students in Years 9 to 13 and their parents. This popular event, being held on Thursday 23rd November at Furze Platt Senior School, brings together an array of careers for our students to find out more about and talk to people who are doing these jobs. As always, we welcome new ideas. If you would like to be here to represent your career or could suggest anyone who we could approach, please contact judith.bubb@furzeplatt.net.

Thank you.



SCHOOL NEWS

DECISIVE WIN FOR YEAR 8 RUGBY TEAM



A brilliant result this week by our Year 8 rugby team, beating Ranelagh School (Bracknell) 20-0. Man of the Match were J Revesz and M Cooley, both outstanding.

THIS WEEK'S STAR STUDENTS



Thank you to all our students who helped at Open Evening, we had many lovely comments from impressed parents.

GYMNASTICS SUCCESS



Amy Lillywhite and Maddie Bird, Year 8, and Isabelle Cowell, Year 7, competed in the UK Gymnastics National Competition last weekend. The girls performed fantastically with Isabelle gaining a medal in the qualifiers on the Bars and then competing at Level 10. Our Year 8 girls' results were:

Level 9
Bars
National Champion: Amy Lillywhite
Silver: Maddie Bird

Beam
Bronze: Maddie Bird

They both now also go to the National "All Round" competition at the end of the month where they will compete on all apparatus.



Isabelle on the bar pictured above.



Amy and Maddie pictured above.

See below for Harry's winning piece of work which was completed in coloured pencils.



COMMUNITY NEWS



ARE YOU THINKING OF BOOKING YOUR 2018 SUMMER HOLIDAY?

If you book through any of these retailers, please use EasyFundraising.org.uk to log in first and choose Furze Platt Senior School as the cause you support. It does not cost you a penny but we have raised over £2300 so far and can raise a substantial amount more from major purchases such as holidays, cars and home appliances.

Expedia * British Airways * Love Holidays * Thomson - TUI / Thomas Cook * First Choice * Disneyland Paris * Haven Holidays * Jet 2 * Legoland and over 80 more!

Please also consider us when purchasing Business Deals * Entertainment * Electricals * Fashion and Beauty * Home and Garden * Insurance * Finance * Mobiles * Travel * Utilities

Click on easyfundraising.org.uk and choose to support Furze Platt Senior School.

Thank you.

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AMAZING ARTWORK



Harry Shrimpton, Year 9, was the winner of the Richard Richardson prize in the RSPB's WildArt Competition. This was a special prize awarded for the most accurately drawn animal and he won a £100 art voucher.

His piece of work is currently being framed by the RSPB and is going to be exhibited at The Mall Galleries in London in The Natural Eye 2017 exhibition (the annual exhibition of the Society of Wildlife Artists, running from 19th - 29th October). More information can be found here. <https://www.mallgalleries.org.uk/whats-on/exhibitions/natural-eye-2017>.

CONJURING CLUB



Conjuring Club will take place every other Wednesday (Week 2) after school from 3.20pm in Gen2. Although supervised by staff, it will be led by students so finishing times may be subject to change. Bring your own tricks!

200 CLUB

FIRST DRAW WILL BE MADE AT THE BIG QUIZ ON FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER - SEE DETAILS BELOW TO ENTER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN!

The PTFA will be reinstating the popular 200 Club this month with large cash prizes for the lucky winners.

With 200 numbers in play there will be 3 prizes of £400 each, and the PTFA could also make £6,000 per year to help fund requests for the school, so we are keen to ensure as many numbers are sold as possible.

If you would like to join, please do click on the links below for either annual or monthly payments - it is a very easy and straightforward process. Each number costs £5 per month or an annual cost of £57 (this is for 4 draws, 1 per quarter).

[CLICK HERE TO BUY NUMBERS FOR A CHANCE TO WIN](#)



WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE SUPPORT STAFF TEAM OF AN EXTREMELY POPULAR AND EXPANDING SECONDARY SCHOOL?

Current vacancies

DATA ADMINISTRATOR

RECEPTIONIST

IT INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEER

FOREIGN LANGUAGE ASSISTANT - FRENCH

OUTREACH TEAM WORKER IN SHINE

Learn to row at Marlow Rowing Club



Course Dates:

23rd—27th October, 2- 4pm

Ages 12-18

£150

To book email:

jdsenquiries@marlowrowingclub.org.uk

Marlow Bridge Ln, Bisham, Marlow SL7 1RH





Learning Together

Furze Platt Road, Maidenhead,
Berkshire SL6 7NQ

Tel: 01628 625308 | Fax: 01628 782257

Email: office@furzeplatt.com

Website: www.furzeplatt.com

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

Due to expansion we have the following exciting opportunities to start as soon as possible:

IT Infrastructure Engineer

Salary range £25,150-£26,830 pa (with a recruitment and retention payment of up to £3,000 for the right candidate) depending on experience. Full Time

You will specialise in and be able to take charge of all hardware aspects of the school's business network, assume responsibility for evaluating and maintaining server performance and work with our IT team to assist in the resolution of service desk tickets. This is an opportunity to develop your career and be involved in our goal to expand our provision of a professional IT service to other schools in the local area. Experience of Hyper-V Clusters, VLANs and Subnets is essential.

Data Administrator

Actual salary range £12,370-£13,090 pa, depending on experience. Term time only, 30 hours per week

You will support the appropriate members of staff with the student admissions process, including our annual intake of Year 7 students and any Year 8-11 students who transfer from other schools during the academic year. You will also be involved in the management of our parent evenings booking system and the GCSE options process for Year 8 students. In addition to this you will support the Data Manager with day-to-day administrative functions including updating the student database and quality checking.

This post would suit someone with good communication skills, who has experience of providing high quality data management and administrative support. You will be able to use IT systems competently including databases and MSOffice products. The successful applicant will be given training to enable them to use any in-house IT systems.

Receptionist

Actual salary range £9,277 - £9,823 pa depending on experience. Wednesday to Friday preferably with an 8am start (negotiable) 22.5 hours per week. Term time only

As well as operating the switchboard you will be the first point of contact with visitors in school. You will also support the student services team by triaging medical assistance requests from students and carry out ad-hoc administrative tasks when time permits.

For further information about these exciting roles and in order to complete an application form please refer to our school website www.furzeplatt.com. Application forms should be returned to kiran.smith@furzeplatt.net. Only applications submitted on the school application form will be considered.

Closing date: Monday 9th October 2017 at 9.00am

Interviews: w/c 9th October 2017

THE BIG QUIZ

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Friday 10th November 2017

7.30pm - 10.30pm

At Furze Platt Senior School in the Main Hall

Featuring music, trivia, and picture questions as well as two 'team challenges'.



£15

per person



MAX.6

people per table

But you can book in
any numbers from
1-6 and we'll find
teams for you.



FOOD

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Ashridge Delicious
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PLUS

bar & prize
raffle

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Parents, Teachers & Friends Association

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- Encourages and develops the confidence and competence required to travel by bike on local roads for 9-11 year olds
- 8 hour, 1.5 day course

Bikeability Level 3

- Encourages and develops the confidence and competence required to travel by bike on longer journeys for 11-14 year olds
- 5 hour, 1 day course



For more information and to book visit:
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