



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### SUMMER TERM SCHOOL CLUBS LIST



An updated school clubs list can now be found on our website. Please follow the link below for full details.

[SCHOOL CLUBS LIST](#)

### CAN YOU HELP?



Our Food and Nutrition department needs chocolate tin or tub containers (pictured right). If you have any spare, please bring to Reception. Thank you.



Mrs S Crisford (Head of Food and Nutrition)

### BUSINESS CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT



Business controlled assessment (for all Year 10 Business Students) talk from Waitrose which is running next Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May in the Drama studio at 8.30am. Students need to arrive 5 mins before and have paper and pen to make notes.



This is a compulsory talk, so it is essential that all students attend.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

[ALL EVENTS](#)

[SPORTS CALENDAR](#)

[SCHOOL CLUBS LIST](#)

#### Next Week (Week 2)

<b>WED 10</b> MAY	Year 10 Business Controlled Assessment	8.25am
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#### Forthcoming Events

<b>MON 15</b> MAY	Public Exams Start	until 30 <sup>th</sup> June
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Photography by A Wilcock, Year 13

This week was the event many of us have been rehearsing and practising for - the Furze Platt Spring Concert. Approximately 100 students participated to produce a truly fantastic event, with many of the ensemble groups being rehearsed and run by the students themselves. The programme spanned Bach and Bruckner to Adele and Beyoncé, meaning there was something there for everyone to enjoy. The solo

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## SCHOOL NEWS

### SPRING CONCERT



On Wednesday night we enjoyed a wonderful evening of musical entertainment at Furze Platt.

items showed off the wide range of musical talent we have at Furze Platt, with all the students performing to high standards.

A big thank you to all staff and students involved, and the PTFA, everyone who helped behind the scenes and the student led tech team, photographer and music prefects.

A very special thank you to Miss Johnston (Head of Music) and Mr Lewis (Teacher of Music) without whom the evening would not have been such an amazing success.

The programme and more photos from the night can be found on our website from the link below.

**SPRING CONCERT PROGRAMME AND PHOTOS**

## FURZE PLATT WELCOMES GUEST SPEAKER

### 'The Internet of Things and Cyber Security'

On Tuesday the Science Department hosted a talk entitled 'The Internet of Things and Cyber Security' with guest speaker John Davies from Vodafone.



John works in the Cyber Security team in the 'Internet of Things' business. The world is getting more connected, from cars to lifts, and even toys. This brings many benefits and new opportunities, but also threats. He focused on these currently hot areas, and also his path into this job, via STEM subjects and through several other jobs on the way. We had a small but very enthusiastic and knowledgeable audience and the discussion ranged from hacking to self-driving cars to methods of encryption. For anyone interested, John showed a very nice video clip (available in the link below) to illustrate this topic.

We are very grateful to John Davies for giving this talk.

**VIDEO CLIP**



## UK GYM CHAMPIONSHIPS

Double medal winner C Pounce (Year 8) won Bronze in both the Bars & Beam sections of the National qualifiers for the UK Gym Championships.



## COUNTY CUP FINAL

Well done to striker Jack Gibson (Year 9), selected out of 180 boys to play for Berkshire in the U14 Schools' County Cup Final held at Birmingham FC. This was the first time Berkshire had reached the final since 1983, although unfortunately beaten by Kent they had strong wins over Middlesex, Surrey and Lancashire in the previous rounds.



## BERKSHIRE SCHOOLS COMBINED EVENTS CHAMPIONSHIP

The combined events competition consists of High Jump, Long Jump, Hurdles, Shot Putt and either the 800m or 1500m.

Harrison Thorne was 2<sup>nd</sup> at the championship and so is selected to represent Berkshire Schools at the South East Schools event in June.

Year 8 students Ava Neeves and Matthew Dilley were competing in their first combined events competition and both recorded four personal bests out of the five events.

Mrs D Brennan





## INTERMEDIATE DRESSAGE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



Congratulations to Miss Tomlin, Teacher of PE, who competed in the Intermediate Dressage National Championships last weekend. Both her and her horse Wills performed brilliantly. The team came 5<sup>th</sup> (Miss Tomlin and Wills are pictured on the left).



### 2017 PTFA Meeting date for your diary:

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> June

Starts 7.30pm in the library, all welcome.

### Upcoming events:

- 200 Club – only £5 per month, cash prizes available.

### Can you help?

- We need someone with an accountancy background to oversee the PTFA accounts. Duties include Gift Aid, etc. Please email [jeff@iifa.co.uk](mailto:jeff@iifa.co.uk) for details.
- Two more volunteers required for our Indoor Table top sale. (Any parent who has a stall at the event and is willing to assist in the set up and set down will receive 50% off their stall fee.)
- Does your company offer Match Funding? We are keen to hear from parents whose companies offer

this. If you have any other ideas that may support our PTFA please do get in touch.

- For further details on any PTFA related queries please email: [jeff@iifa.co.uk](mailto:jeff@iifa.co.uk)

## WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS



Sessions are free to attend and spaces must be booked in advance.

Full details of the workshops available in the link below.

**CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION, ONLINE SAFETY, AWARENESS & SUBSTANCE MISUSE WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

## CURRENT VACANCIES



If you would be interested in working at Furze Platt Senior School please visit our website and follow the links to our Vacancies page.

**HEAD OF OPERATIONS AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

[Home](#) > [Vacancies](#) > [Current Vacancies](#) 

## TOUCH RUGBY



Touch Rugby sessions for U8s to U18s are available at Maidenhead RFC. See the links below for more details.

**MORE DETAILS**

**REGISTRATION FORM**



## REMINDERS

YEAR 12

### EXTERNAL EXAMS

Please find a letter regarding Year 12 summer external exam arrangements in the link below.

**YEAR 12 EXTERNAL EXAM ARRANGEMENTS**



For ages  
**9 - 14**



From  
**£95\***

**2017**

**SUMMER**

**FUN**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July**

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

**9 am to 3 pm**

# SUMMER FUN 2017

**Due to the popularity of Furze Platt's annual Summer Fun, we are delighted to announce that this year's activities will run for 3 weeks.**

This fabulous opportunity is open to all 9-14 year olds – come along and make new friends, play team games, interact positively with younger and older students and learn from our qualified instructors. For children in their last years at junior schools, being on site can help with the transition to secondary school and for all younger people, a chance to polish their leadership skills and have lots of fun!

## Weeks 1 and 2

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July and  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August**

### Summer Sports and Activities

We are offering a huge range of sports and activities every day plus each week you can enjoy a fantastic water day on the lake\*

Including: Fencing, Raft Building, Hockey, Team Games, Basketball, Swimming, Football, Kayaking, Athletics, Softball, Badminton, Capture the Flag, Table Tennis, Paddle Boarding, Netball, Rounders and much more!

**£95** per person per week  
(no water day included)

**£130** per person per week  
(water day included)

\*please note: there are limited numbers for water activities

## Week 3

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

### Furze Platt's Summer Sketch Show Extravaganza

Spend a week with us and let your imagination soar. Over the week, you will have the chance to write, learn and rehearse sketches specifically designed for young performers. Supported by older students who will provide lighting, sound and all technical elements, as well as experienced Drama staff, no experience is necessary to take part. This is a wonderful opportunity to develop performance skills, as well as having a lot of fun!

**£95** per person per week

There is no water day during the Sketch Show week as there will be a performance on the Friday.

**CLICK HERE TO BOOK**

To book, please complete the booking form online using the link above and pay online to Lloyds Bank a/c no: 42740560 sort code: 30-95-36 marked 'Summer' and your child's surname.

Participants will need to bring appropriate clothing and a packed lunch.

Concessions available.

**For more information please e-mail [media@furzeplatt.net](mailto:media@furzeplatt.net) or call Catherine Johnstone on 01628 625308 ext 347.**