

Weekly Update: Monday 28th September - Friday 2nd October 2015

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NEXT WEEK

Thurs 8 th October	Whole School Open Evening (6pm - 9pm). Please note school will close early at 12.45pm.
Fri 9 th October	INSET DAY

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wed 14 th October	Maths GCSE Pre-public Exams
Fri 16 th - Sun 18 th October	Year 7 PGL Trip to Osmington Bay



SCHOOL NEWS

QUICK THINKING FURZE PLATT STUDENT HELPS EMERGENCY CREWS

During the summer holidays a boat exploded on the River Thames near to the home of Rose Watters (Year 11).

Police and ambulance crew used the family's garden to tend to the injured, which left five people hospitalised. During the emergency Rose helped calm the children, provided towels and water and performed some first aid under the guidance of paramedics. Police and ambulance crews and the lock keeper praised Rose's actions. Ms White says, "We are all immensely proud of Rose. This incident was very serious and made the national news. A number of people were hurt and the scene was potentially distressing. Yet, Rose did what was needed and provided great comfort and practical support. Well done, Rose. You are a Furze Platt star!"



NETBALL



Well done to our Year 7 girls' netball team, who attended the opening tournament of the season at Newlands School on Thursday. The girls played brilliantly for the whole afternoon in the heat, playing a total of 9 matches in 3 hours. The girls drew 1 match, lost 3 and won 4 matches - a really good result.

Netball Squad

Ainara Sanchez	Eliza Stephenson
Ellen Gomersall	Elicia Mercer
Abbi Hellings	Melissa Barnby
Freya Wilcock	Olivia Brienza
Isha Hodge	Florence Checkley



In July 2016, Furze Platt Senior School will be sending eighteen of its most intrepid students to help in the frontline conservation of the Mexican rain forest. Please [click here](#) to see an article written by Leo Garcia, Year 12 (Pictured).

If you have any ideas about how the team could raise funds for the expedition, please contact:

Dr. Scott at michele.scott@furzeplatt.net Mr. Molin at andrew.molin@furzeplatt.net

If you would like to make a donation you can either do so online into account sort code 20-78-58, account 80382876 or by writing a cheque to Furze Platt Senior School and delivering it to School Reception. In both cases please ensure that you give the reference MEXD16.



OVARIAN CANCER ACTION

A group of parents from the Furze Platt area will be climbing Mount Kilimanjaro next week in memory of Shelley Hand, who passed away from ovarian cancer in October last year.

Over £10,000 has been raised for the charity so far by the group but they are still trying to raise more. Please visit <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/shelleyhandtrekkers> to donate. Thank you.

RUGBY

This week our U13 rugby team played against Holyport College, which was won by Furze Platt's U13 team 25-24 in a very close run finish.

UKULELES

Jeff Lloyd, chairman of the PTFA, came into the Music Department on Tuesday 29th September to take part in the Ukulele Club run by Mr Dingley. The PTFA generously bought 62 ukuleles for the Music Department this year. Mr Lloyd said, "It was so easy to pick up the chords for the song, and to learn the tune. I highly recommend learning this instrument - I might even take it up myself!"

The club's prefects, Bailey Hunt and Jessica Price (both Year 12) helped some students to learn the chorus, while Mr Dingley taught the rest of the group.

The ukulele club is gradually growing. If you would like to come along to have a go, then do join us on Tuesdays break 2 in Music 1.

Here is a video of the ukulele orchestra of Great Britain, playing 'Ruby' with the Kaiser Chiefs:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=08iTIO3dRZc>

Mrs Gregory



NEW ARRIVAL



Congratulations to Miss Evans (Geography) on the birth of her baby boy Jack. Both are doing well.



STAFF NEWS



Congratulations to Mrs Gregory who completed the Ealing half marathon and also to Miss Satherwaite who did the 'inflatable' 5km!

Mr Djaelani, Head of Dorney house and WKU - 80kg champion won gold at the Heart of England Open in Derby. Please [click here](#) to view his World Title blog.

CROSS COUNTRY

Please [click here](#) to view our cross country results from Thursday's event.



SCHOOL CLUBS SCHEDULE

Please see below for a full list of our current school clubs. We are proud to be able to offer a huge variety of activities.

Please encourage your son/daughter to attend any which may be of interest to them.

Day	Activity	Start Time	Finish Time	Where	Members	Department
Monday	Jazz Band	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am	Music Studio	By invitation	Music
	Intro Band	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am	MU2	By invitation	Music
	Musical Production Rehearsals	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	Music Studio	Show cast	Music
	Homework Club	3:15pm	4:15pm	Library	All year groups	General
	Physics A-Level Drop in Clinic	3:15pm	4:15pm	S4	Years 12-13	Science
	KS5 Support Clinic	3.30pm	4.30pm	M5/M6	Years 12-13	Maths
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	Basketball	3:30pm	4:30pm	Sports Hall	All year groups	PE
	Street Dance	3:30pm	4:30pm	Gym	All year groups	PE
	Fitness Suite, Leisure Centre	3:30pm	4:30pm	Leisure Centre	Years 7-8 & 6th Form	PE
	Running Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	Sports Field	All year groups	PE
	Graphics Catch-up Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	Tech 2/Tech 3	Year 11	Art Design & Tech
	Drama Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	DS1	Years 7-8	Drama
	Drama Surgery	3:30pm	4:30pm	DS2	Years 10-13	Drama
G&T Dance	3:45pm	5:30pm	Dance Studio	By invitation/audition	Dance	
Day	Activity	Start Time	Finish Time	Where	Members	Department
Tuesday	Chamber Choir	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am (TUTOR TIME)	Music Studio	Year 9 and over, by audition	Music
	Boys' Choir	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am (TUTOR TIME)	MU1	Years 7-9	Music
	Puzzle Club	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	M5	Years 7-8	General
	Engineering Club	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	S3	Years 7-11	Science
	Glee Choir	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	MU2	Year 9 and over, by audition	Music
	Ukelele Group	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	Music Studio	All year groups	Music
	German Support / Revision	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	MFL5	Year 11	MFL
	Science Homework Drop in Clinic	3:15pm	4:15pm	S4	All year groups	Science
	GCSE Maths Revision	3:15pm	4:15pm	Maths classrooms	Year 11	Maths
	English Coursework Clinic	3:15pm	4:30pm	English Block	Years 10-11	English
	Homework Club	3:15pm	4:15pm	Library	All year groups	General
	Food Club	3:30pm	5:00pm	FT2	Years 8-9	Art Design & Tech
	Business Catch-up Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	Business Studies Block	All year groups	Business Studies
	Humanities GCSE	3:30pm	4:30pm	H5	Year 9	Humanities
	Young Enterprise	3:30pm	4:30pm	Business Studies Block	All year groups	Business Studies
	Dance Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	Dance Studio	see Miss Tyler	Dance
	School Musical Rehearsals	3:30pm	5:30pm	DS1 & DS2	Show cast	Drama and Music
	Humanities GCSE	3:30pm	4:30pm	H2	Year 8	Humanities
	Rugby	3:30pm	4:30pm	Sports Field	Years 7-9	PE
	Hockey	3:30pm	4:30pm	Astro Turf	Years 7-11	PE
Badminton Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	Sports Hall	Years 7-9	PE	

Day	Activity	Start Time	Finish Time	Where	Members	Department
Wednesday	Fitness Club (Boot Camp)	7:40am	8:20am	Sports Hall	Years 9-13	PE
	Music Support & Intervention	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am (TUTOR TIME)	MU2	Years 10-11	Music
	Show Rehearsals-Singing	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	MU2	Show cast	Music
	GCSE German Support/Revision	3:15pm	4:30pm	MFL5	Years 10-11	MFL
	GCSE French Support / Revision	3:15pm	4:30pm	MFL4	Years 10-11	MFL
	Homework Club	3:15pm	4:15pm	Library	All year groups	General
	Polish Club (Discussions and General Interest)	3:15pm	4:00pm	GEN1	All year groups	General
	Biology A-Level Drop In Clinic	3:20pm	4:00pm	S9	Years 12-13	Science
	Philosophy Catch up/ Revision Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	H8	Year 10 -11	Humanities
	GCSE Tech & Design Options Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	DS1	Year 11 - Invite only	Drama
	GCSE Dance	3:30pm	4:30pm	Dance Studio	Years 9-11	Dance
	Netball Fixtures	3:30pm	4:30pm	Sports Hall / Courts	All year groups	PE
	Fitness Suite, Leisure Centre	3:30pm	4:30pm	Leisure Centre	Years 9-11 & 6th Form	PE
Day	Activity	Start Time	Finish Time	Where	Members	Department
Thursday	Girl's Choir - Years 7-9	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am (TUTOR TIME)	Music Studio	Years 7-9	Music
	Lads' Choir - Year 10-13	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am (TUTOR TIME)	MU2	Years 10-13	Music
	Sixth Form Science Club	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	S4	Years 12-13	Science
	Puzzle Club	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	M1	Years 7-8	Maths
	Theatre Choir	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	MU2	All year groups	Music
	English Coursework Clinic	3:15pm	4:30pm	English Block	Years 10-11	English
	Music GCSE Support & Recordings	3:15pm	4:15pm	Recording Studio & Music Rooms	Years 10-11	Music
	Homework Club	3:15pm	4:15pm	Library	All year groups	General
	Chess Club	3:15pm	4:15pm	Library	All year groups	General
	KS5 Board Games Club	3:15pm	4:15pm	M5	Years 12-13	Maths
	Chemistry A-Level Drop in Clinic	3:15pm	4:15pm	S5	Years 12-13	Science
	School Musical Rehearsals	3:30pm	5:30pm	DS1	Years 9-13	Drama
	Drama Surgery	3:30pm	4:30pm	DS2	Years 10-11	Drama
	Resistant Materials	3:30pm	4:30pm	Tech 4/Tech 2	Year 11	Art Design & Tech
	Dance Company	3:30pm	4:30pm	Dance Studio	Auditioned at the beginning of each	Dance
	History Help	3:30pm	4:30pm	H5	Year 11	Humanities
	Greenpower Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	Tech 3	All year groups	Art Design & Tech
	Badminton Club	3:30pm	4:30pm	Sports Hall	Years 10-13	PE
	Rugby	3:30pm	4:30pm	Sports Field	Years 7, 9 & 10	PE
Netball	3:30pm	4:30pm	Courts	Years 7-11	PE	

Day	Activity	Start Time	Finish Time	Where	Members	Department
Friday	Concert Band	8:45am (TUTOR TIME)	9:10am (TUTOR TIME)	Music Studio	By invitation	Music
	Debating Club	11:15am (BREAK 1)	11:45am (BREAK 1)	H7	All year groups	General
	Glee Choir	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	MU2	Year 9 and over, by audition	Music
	Cross-Examine Club	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	H4	All year groups	Religious Studies
	Science Club	1:45pm (BREAK 2)	2:15pm (BREAK 2)	S4	Years 7-9	Science
	Art Catch-up Club	3:15pm	4:30pm	Art Block	Year 11	Art Design & Tech
	Ultimate Frisbee	3:30pm	4:45pm	Sports Hall	All year groups	PE
	Climbing, Swimming & Trampolining - GCSE students	3:30pm	4:30pm	Magnet Leisure Centre	By invitation	PE



REMINDERS

OPEN EVENING 2015 - THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER

All welcome to attend. Please note that school will finish early at 12.45pm.

PARKING ON FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER

There will be a school trip taking place on Friday 16th October and the car parks may become very congested.

NAMING KIT

Can we remind parents that all items of uniform, including PE kit, must be labelled clearly with your child's name.

SIXTH FORM BURSARY FUND

Please click the links below for information regarding the Bursary fund 2015-2016. Applications need to be completed and submitted in full by Tuesday 13th October 2015.

Packs are also available if your son/daughter wishes to collect one from the Sixth Form.

If you or your son/daughter requires any further information please do not hesitate to contact Mrs S Wrenn - stacia.wrenn@furzeplatt.net.

[Parent's information](#)

[School Policy](#)

[Application Form](#)



A LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY PROP BOX



Furze Platt will soon have a brilliant photography studio in the Art Department for our A level Photography students. We need items to make interesting photo shoots and ultimately develop a 'dressing up box' for our students. If you have any unwanted fancy dress items, silly hats, posh hats, wedding hats, wedding dresses, old coats, jackets, glasses, wig, umbrellas or unusual outfits etc, please email hannah.stower@furzeplatt.net. Thank you.



Learning Together

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CLERK TO THE GOVERNING BODY

Salary dependent on experience - 100 hours per annum (of which approx. 40 hours evening work)

Required to start as soon as possible.

We are seeking an enthusiastic and reliable person to become our Clerk to the Governing Body. This is an excellent opportunity for someone with previous experience as a Clerk or who has good administrative skills and would like to learn more about how a Governing Body operates within a thriving and successful secondary school.

We ask that you have:

Excellent administrative and organisational skills including accuracy in relation to record keeping and recording of Minutes of meetings.

Excellent communication skills including the ability to communicate effectively with members of the school's Senior Leadership Team.

Good ICT skills, including working knowledge of Word, Excel and the desire to learn about and use in-house systems.

An understanding of the sensitivity and confidentiality of all matters surrounding Governing Body business and in particular in relation to discussions during Governing Body meetings.

The capacity to work from home for some of the stated hours (not during meetings). Photocopying facilities at the school may be used for clerking duties if required.

Previous experience of similar roles would be an advantage but not essential.

If you have not heard from us by Friday 16th October 2015 please presume that in this instance your application has not been successful.

Further details and application information are available on our website. Please return to Mrs D Harding via email: debbie.harding@furzeplatt.net

Only applications submitted on the school application form will be considered.

Furze Platt Senior School is committed to the protection and safety of its students.

This post is subject to an enhanced disclosure via a DBS check.

Closing date: Monday 12th October 2015

Interviews will take place: W/c 19th October 2015



The Federation of Cookham, Maidenhead and the Lawns Nursery Schools

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Tel/Fax: 01753 865351

E mail: lawns@rbwm.org.uk

Co- Headteachers: Mrs Sarah Cottle/Ms Helen McHale

Caretaker

Salary Scale 2, point 11-13, depending on experience

*15 hours per week, 3-6pm, Monday to Friday * Term-time only including up to 4 additional weeks

Required ASAP

We are looking for an experienced, hard-working and flexible person to look after matters relating to our school sites. You will work under the supervision of the co-Headteachers/School Business Manager but must have the initiative to deal with issues independently. You must have basic DIY skills and an awareness of health and safety requirements. Good levels of literacy and numeracy along with a clean driving licence are also required.

Key responsibilities will include:

- Keyholding and the security of the Lawns premises
- Overseeing maintenance of the 3 sites
- Health and safety matters and testing
- Maintaining a rolling programme of decoration
- Manage small building/maintenance projects

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of staff and children. This position requires an enhanced DBS check.

Visits to the schools are warmly welcomed.

Closing Date: 9am, 16th October 2015

Interviews: 22nd October 2015

After School Illustration Classes



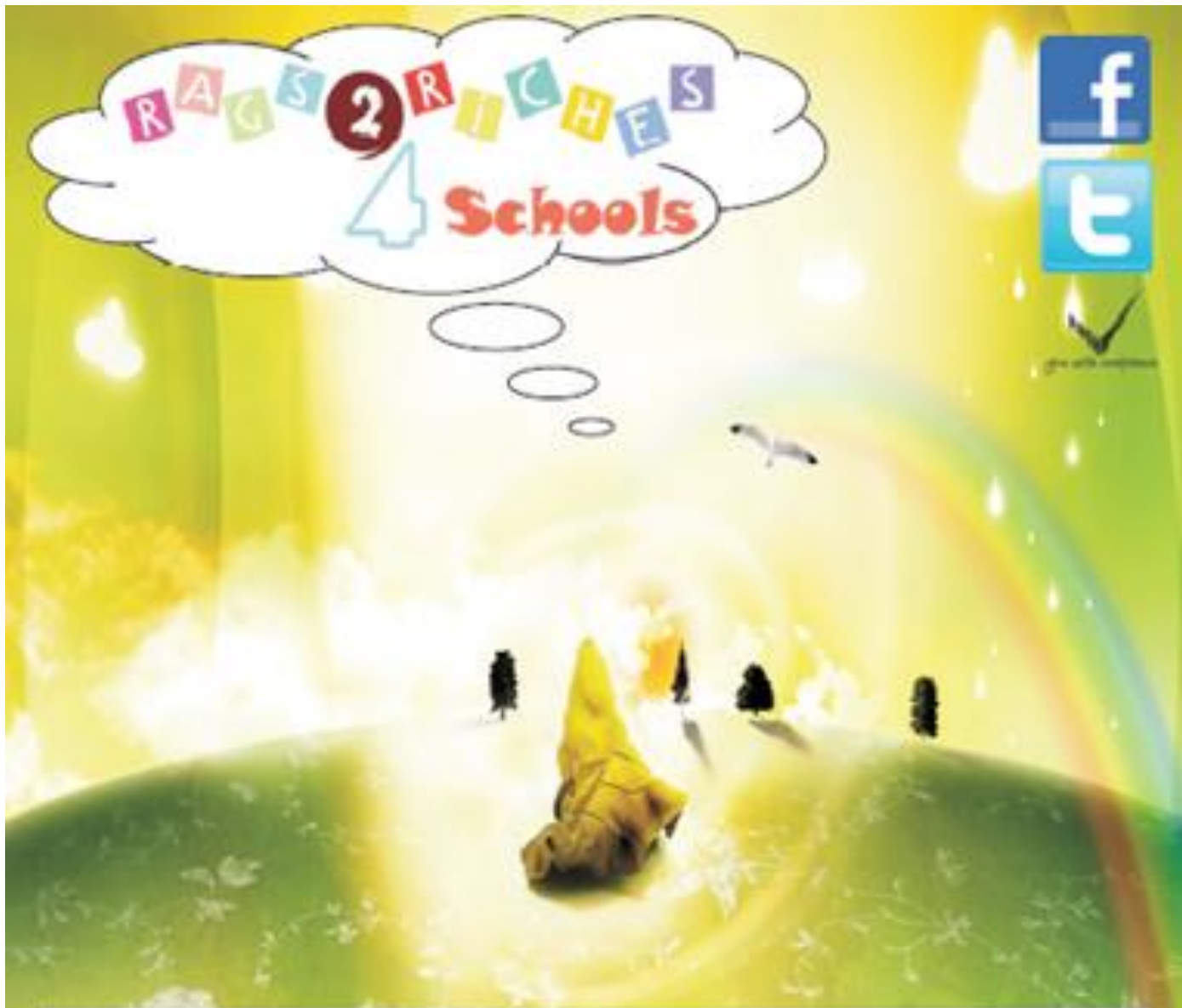
Explore the techniques behind illustration!
Create your own style and learn skills in
realism, pencil, ink, paint and more!
Perfect for those interested in comic and
book illustration, manga, video game art
or for anyone simply looking to improve
their technical drawing abilities.

Classes will be 4pm to 5:15pm on
Thursdays starting from October
15th at A. Boville Wright art shop.

£13 per class

**10% discount when 6 or
more classes are booked in
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Email rin08@hotmail.co.uk or call
07470201261 to book and for more
information



WE ACCEPT CLEAN, NEW OR USED

Clothes:
Baby's clothes
Children's clothes
Adult's clothes

Other :
Cuddly toys
Jewellery
Bedding &
Household linen
Bath & hand towels

Accessories :
Shoes (tied in pairs)
Underwear
(new)
Belts
Hats
Scarves
Gloves
Bags
Purses
Wallets
Tights
Ties

WE DO NOT ACCEPT:
Dirty, wet, ripped
or soiled clothes,
pieces of cloth,
pillows, duvets or
clothes with school
badges sewn on.



Our successful school is a happy, safe and caring learning community where achievement is promoted, potential realised and young people flourish.

Learning together our students will:

- Be prepared for the future
- Achieve
- Aspire
- Be curious
- Be creative
- Enjoy and value their learning
- Understand and respect others
- Be kind and courteous
- Be confident
- Be resourceful, independent and resilient
- Have broad horizons
- Participate and contribute
- Be active citizens
- Take responsibility

