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NEXT WEEK

Mon 14th September Year 7 and 10 photos (8.30am-12pm)

Thurs 17th September Celebration Evening (7pm - 10pm)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sun 20th - Wed 23rd September Year 12 Geography Field Trip to Flatford

Tues 22nd September Year 6 Parents' Information Evening (7pm - 8pm)

Thurs 24th September Year 11 Preparing to Succeed Parents' Information Evening (6.30pm - 7.30pm)
Year 10 Preparing to Succeed Parents' Information Evening (7.30pm - 8.30pm)



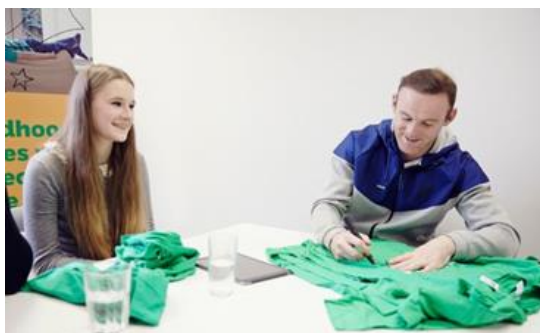
SCHOOL NEWS

CHARITY VOLUNTEER MEETS WAYNE ROONEY

Kim Coulson (Year 13) has been working with the charities NSPCC and ChildLine since she was 15. Kim was asked by the NSPCC to meet with and advise Wayne Rooney, England's highest ever goal scorer, who has become the newest Ambassador for Childhood. They spoke about how he could use his following to raise awareness for child abuse and other important issues such as the ChildLine website, and shared their experiences as young ambassadors.

Kim was accepted as a young journalist to write advice columns in the NSPCC young persons' newspaper 'First News' and has been involved in many other projects and opportunities such as running the London 10K, interviewing for senior positions in the organisation, running the charity website, Facebook and Twitter pages, and working with people such as Esther Rantzen as well as sponsors, corporate partners and volunteers.

These are great achievements by a very dedicated student, and we wish Kim all the best with her charity work in the future.



UPDATE: TEAM MEXICO

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 Emma Garske, 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.

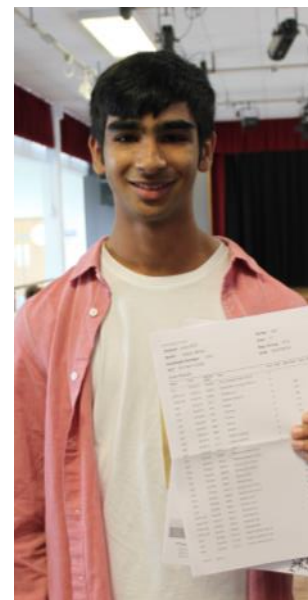


GCSE AND 'A' LEVEL EXAM RESULTS

We are celebrating the excellent examination results achieved this summer. Our A level pass rate was again at 99% for the fourth year running, with 73% of grades at A* - C. We are delighted that Georgia Harris (pictured left) secured 3 A* and 1 A and is taking up a place at Selwyn College Cambridge to study Natural Sciences. There were 27 subjects with 100% pass rates, which is a fantastic result.

Our GCSE results, again very strong, produced a number of first class grades, with Jaspal Mehat (pictured right) gaining an incredible 11A*. 75% of students achieved an A*- C grade in Maths and an outstanding 87% achieved A* - C in English. Our 'value added' score is significantly above national averages.

Students and teachers worked very hard towards these exams and should be justifiably proud of their achievements.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

NEW LEISURE CENTRE

As from next week the leisure centre will be open to students.

Each year group has been informed of when they are able to use the facilities.

Please [click here](#) to see the Physical Education Extra-Curricular Autumn Programme.



OPENING EVENINGS - 2016 ENTRY

Please [click here](#) for details of Opening Evenings for parents whose children will be starting school in September 2016.



PARENTS CONSULTATION EVENING WITH THE HEAD OF HOUSE



This event will take place on Thursday 1st October. Appointments can be made through the 'Make a Parents' Evening Appointment' link on the front page of the school website. Appointment slots fill up very quickly so it is advisable to book your appointment as soon as possible.

EXAM RESULTS

The deadline to make an enquiry about exam results from this summer's exams is Thursday 17th September.

If a student would like a remark or their exam script to look at, they need to go to the Exams Office to collect the required forms.



HOME LEARNING ARRANGEMENTS

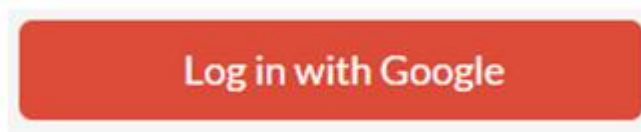


The home learning timetable for Year 7 is now available. Students will be set two or three home learning tasks per evening. Your child will be given a printed version of the timetable which they will stick in their planners. We use a system called 'Show my homework' to record what home learning has been set. Students also write the details of home learning tasks in their planners. You can access Show my homework through icon (pictured right) on the front page of the school website or on the 'Show my homework' button available at the top of every newsletter.



Then by clicking the Homework Calendar tab at the top of the page. This will display all of the tasks that have been set and you can filter the information by year group, teacher and by class. Later in the term we will issue you with your own log in information so you can automatically see just the tasks set for your child.

We are currently rolling out log in information to your children so this feature will be available to them shortly by using the red log in with Google (pictured below).



If you have any problems with the system then please contact us.



REMINDERS



PGL TRIP 2015



NEW LEAD

If you have any queries regarding the Year 7 PGL trip, please contact the new lead member of staff, Miss Hussey, at charlotte.hussey@furzeplatt.net or call the school on 01628 625308.

Thank you.



GCSE OPTIONS



Thank you to all students and their parents/carers who invested their time in the GCSE Option process last year. There are sometimes situations where students return to school and feel they may have made a mistake with their selection. If so it may be possible to accommodate a change, however this is not always the case. Please could students see Mrs Debbie Harding in the Administrative Office as soon as possible. The deadline for considering changes is **Friday 18th September**.

Mr Towill, Deputy Head.

SCHOOL UNIFORM AND PE KITS

Please note that blazers and PE kits are being sold by Hawkinsport in Bourne End. They have recently moved and their address is now: Unit 10 Wessex Industrial Estate, Wessex Road, Bourne End SL8 5DT or you can visit their website: www.hawkinsport.co.uk.

Ties are available from School Reception, are in house colours and cost £5.

ASSISTANT SITE CONTROLLERS

Full-time or part-time, 52 weeks per year

Salary: £15,131 to £16,438

(dependent on experience)

This highly successful and oversubscribed 11-18 comprehensive school is looking to appoint Assistant Site Controllers.

We require hard-working individuals to join our team of site staff, assisting the Facilities Manager in providing an efficient on-site service. Relevant experience is desirable. A full driving licence is required.

Tasks and duties will include:

- Carrying out caretaking duties as directed by the Facilities Manager
- Dealing with lettings as agreed
- Carrying out minor maintenance and repairs such as painting
- Being a key holder for the school premises
- Working on an alternating shift system to provide site staff cover during the school day and during evening opening
- Assisting the Facilities Manager with Health and Safety matters
- Assisting the Facilities Manager with administrative tasks as necessary

The successful candidate will be:

- Well organised and conscientious
- Able to work on their own initiative
- Able to prioritise workload
- Flexible with regard to the working hours and pattern

Further details and application information are available on our website. Please return to Mrs G Dandridge via email: gill.dandridge@furzeplatt.net.

Closing date: 9am Monday 21st September 2015

Interviews will be held: Friday 25th September 2015

If you have not heard from us by Thursday 24th September 2015 please assume that in this instance your application has not been successful.

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 the Criminal Records Bureau.



Learning Together

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DATA ADMINISTRATOR

20 hours per week Term time only plus 1 week Salary circa £8100

We are seeking an enthusiastic and reliable person to join our data administration team. This is a good opportunity for an individual to learn all aspects of student data management within a school environment. The successful candidate will have a relentless eye for detail and will be responsible for the collation and preparation of all student progress data.

We ask that you have:

- strong organisational and time-management skills and the ability to work under pressure
- excellent listening and communication skills and are able to liaise effectively with a wide range of people (students, teachers and parents)
- advanced Microsoft Office skills, particularly Excel
- the ability to take personal responsibility

SIXTH FORM ADMINISTRATOR

20 hours per week Term time only plus one week Salary circa £8100

We are also seeking an enthusiastic and reliable person to join our Sixth Form team. This is a good opportunity for an individual to learn all aspects of administration within a vibrant sixth form environment.

We ask that you have:

- secretarial and administrative experience, including use of computerised packages such as Microsoft Office. Experience of SIMS would be an advantage
- good interpersonal and communication skills
- the ability to work under your own initiative and remain cheerful and composed even under pressure
- a methodical, precise and conscientious attitude to work
- the ability to relate to pupils and parents and be able to liaise effectively with teaching staff

Closing date for both positions: 9am Monday 21st September 2015

Interviews: Week Commencing 28th September 2015

If you have not heard from us by Friday 25th September 2015 please assume that in this instance your application has not been successful.

Although previous experience of these roles would be an advantage, full training will be given.

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COOKHAM & MAIDENHEAD ARTS TRAIL

Sat 19th & Sun 20th
September 2015
10am - 6pm
FREE ENTRY



More information available at: www.camat.org.uk

 www.facebook.com/artstrail  twitter.com/camat_artstrail

Pick up a guide in local libraries and The Stationery Depot, Cookham



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

