

Weekly Update: Monday 21st September - Friday 25th September 2015

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NEXT WEEK

Tues 29 th September	PGL Trip Information Evening (6pm - 7pm)
Thurs 1 st October	Year 7 Head of House / Parents' Consultation Evening (5pm - 8pm)
Sun 4 th - Wed 7 th October	Year 13 Biology Field Trip to Nettlecombe

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 8 th October	Whole School Open Evening (6pm - 9pm)
Fri 9 th October	INSET DAY



SCHOOL NEWS



BRONZE ARTS AWARD



Last year, a group of students worked towards achieving their Bronze Arts Award. The students, including Barney Buckland, Charleighanne Durant, Finlay Griggs, Tom Kirtland- Knott, Hollie Lonsdale & Joe Stimson, were in Year 7 at the time and committed to the project over a period of four months, becoming the youngest students in the school to achieve the award. They completed a number of arts related activities, including learning how to sculpture parts of their bodies using mod roc and plaster, researching their favourite artists and visiting an exhibition at the Southbank Centre.

Congratulations to the students for their commitment and success in achieving this award.

Miss Carty





PREPARING TO SUCCEED PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING



Thank you to all Parents who attended last night's information evenings. Please find the links to both presentations given on these evenings below.

[Year 10 Presentation](#)

[Year 11 Presentation](#)

UPDATE: TEAM MEXICO

We will be holding another collection of used clothes and other items as per the flyer which will be collected on Monday 12 October. Details and bags will go out with your child next week. If you have any such items we would be delighted to receive them. Last time we raised £337 so it is certainly worth the effort to us. Please [click here](#) for more details. Thank you in advance for your support.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

OPEN EVENING EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURE AND INSET DAY

In order to make preparations for our Open Evening on Thursday 8th October, the school day will begin at the normal time of 8.40am but will finish at 12.45pm. However, after that time many students will stay or return to help with preparations for Open Evening.

We are always delighted with the high numbers of students who volunteer to help. A letter will be sent home via your child with further details in due course.

May I also take this opportunity to advise you that the school will be closed for INSET Day on Friday 9th October.

Ms T White
Headteacher

NAMING KIT

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



PGL TRIP INFORMATION EVENING



Year 7 PGL Outdoor and Adventurous Activities Trip
Friday 16th - Sunday 18th October 2015

In preparation for the trip, we will be holding a meeting for all students and parents on Tuesday 29th September 2015 from 6.00pm - 7.00pm in the Main Hall.

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that you all know what to bring and what not to bring, what to expect of us, what to expect of Osmington Bay's accommodation and catering and what sort of activities the children will be doing. It is also essential that we have the most up to date details regarding your child's medical and dietary information and physical capabilities.

Please could you check any medical requirements and if there are any updates, please contact Miss Hussey directly (charlotte.hussey@furzeplatt.net / 01628 625308) or bring any relevant information to the meeting.

It is very important that everybody attends the meeting, however, if for any reason you are unable to attend, please could you make contact with the school so that any important documentation can be passed onto you.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Miss Hussey

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
	KS5 Support Clinic	3.30pm	4.30pm	M5/M6	Years 12-13	Maths
	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
	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 term	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 EVENINGS - 2016 ENTRY

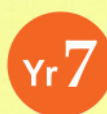
Please [click here](#) for details of Open Evenings for parents whose children will be starting school in September 2016.



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.



HOME LEARNING TIMETABLE



As mentioned in last week's Year 7 Parents' Information Evening, the Year 7 Home Learning timetable is now in operation. Year 7 students will get 2-3 pieces of home learning a night, which will take 30-40 minutes each. English and Maths set three pieces a week, Science three pieces a fortnight, and most other subjects one piece a week. Music and Drama set one piece each half term, and will give plenty of time for it to be completed. Thank you to parents for supporting their children with this.

NEW SCHOOL BANK DETAILS FOR THE SKI TRIP AND MEXICO TRIP

For the attention of all parents with children who are going on the 2016 Ski trip or 2016 Mexico trip:

Please note that the school bank details have changed and any online payments should now be made to:

Furze Platt School Trips Account

Sort code 30-95-36

Account 59194168



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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

Introduction to journalism

10am – 3pm, 27th & 29th October

At 4 Marlow Road Youth Centre,



£25

- Course written and delivered by Gareth Morgan, freelance journalist with 15 year experience writing for national newspapers and now running professional PR Company 'The PR Box' www.theprbox.com – twitter.com/thprbox
- Write your own article to feature on the youth service website www.wamster.org.uk
- Submit article and potentially have it feature within the local newspaper (Maidenhead Advertiser)

'A fun, informative introduction to journalism and online writing for 13-19yr olds.

Participants will gain news gathering and writing skills and by the end of the course have something to put towards a portfolio. Participants will also get a working knowledge of the newspaper and magazine industry, industry-expert career advice and a better understanding of how to write and construct a story.

'Due to limited number all participants would need to apply to gain a place on this course and a short application form will be sent to parents/carers/young people at time of the provisional booking. Places can only be confirmed upon receipt of the application form'

- PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A 2 DAY COURSE -

For more information and booking enquiries
contact Rob Hathorn on

Office: 01628 796966

Mobile: 07876 145958



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INTERESTED IN OXBRIDGE OR
BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES?

EX-FURZE PLATT STUDENT JACK COOPER WILL BE JOINING US ON THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER TO GIVE A SHORT TALK AFTER SCHOOL.

JACK IS CURRENTLY IN HIS SECOND YEAR OF STUDYING BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY, AND WE HAVE ASKED HIM TO SHARE HIS THOUGHTS ON THE OXBRIDGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS, AND WHAT HIS COURSE ENTAILS.

DON'T MISS OUT ON SOME GREAT ADVICE FROM A REAL STUDENT!

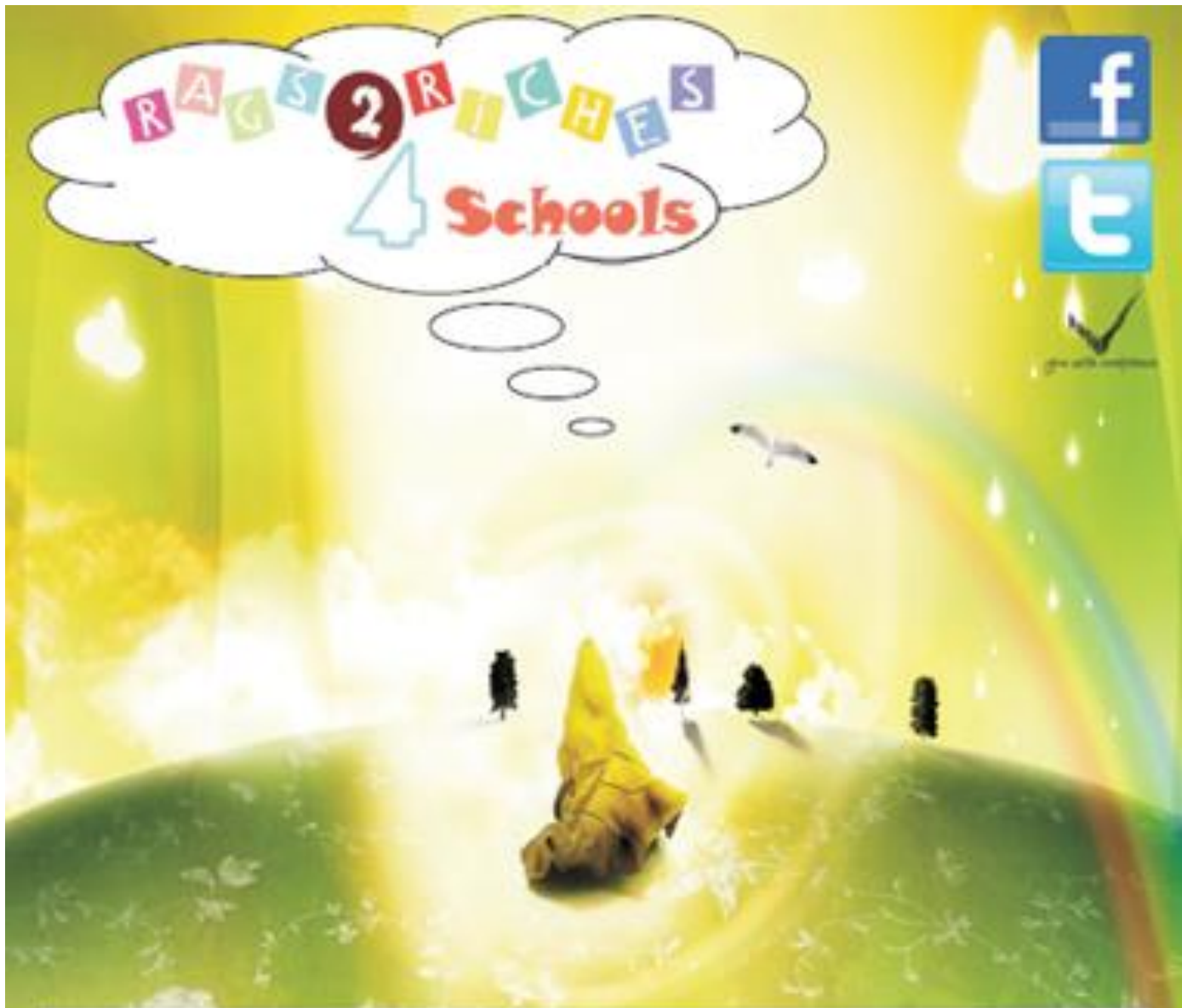
THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER

3.30-4.15

S5 (MRS HEALES' ROOM)

LIMITED SPACES – GO TO SCIENCE PREP ROOM FOR FREE TICKETS





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

