

## FURZE PLATT FOCUS

Weekly Newsletter - Issue #64.4

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

#### **Face Coverings and Covid Restrictions**

Parents and carers will have had a ParentMail message on Thursday explaining the changes to face covering rules at FPSS from Monday 17th May. After the restart of Clubs and Societies and our first Duke of Edinburgh expedition, I very much hope that with the face covering guidance changing we are on a pathway to a normal school day after half term. We will confirm



arrangements closer to half term should nothing change in the meantime.

#### Welcoming Year 6 Parents, Carers and Students

On Tuesday I had the pleasure of (virtually) welcoming our new Year 6 cohort for this September. Once again we are oversubscribed in Year 7 and so the two evening events were very busy and full of questions. I look forward to seeing our new students contribute to our school over the next few years and it will be a pleasure to welcome them in person to FPSS in July for their Transition days.

#### **Parents Evenings**

Thank you to our Year 7 parents and carers for their positive feedback following their three Parents Evenings over the last few weeks. Lots of parents and carers in all years have enjoyed the online Parents Evenings with many suggesting these should continue. We will be making a decision on this ready for the new academic year.

Take care and keep safe.

Dr Andrew J Morrison (BA Hons, PGCE, MA, PhD)





### UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL EVENTS
SPORTS CALENDAR

Some information for our upcoming events may change due to the current situation. Full details will be sent out nearer the time of the specific event.

#### **TERM 5 EVENTS**

<b>FRI 21</b> MAY	Year 13 Last Day in School	
FRI 28	Year 13 Leavers' Morning	
MAY	END OF TERM (TERM 5)	
MON 31 - FRI 4 MAY JUNE	MAY HOLIDAY	
MON 7 JUNE	START OF TERM 6 (Week 2)	



#### YEAR 8 - GCSE LANGUAGE CHOICES

Last year we reverted to a two-year Key Stage 4 from September 2020. This means your child will choose their GCSE choices in Year 9 and will continue to study a broad curriculum which will ensure students are well prepared for their GCSEs which will start in Year 10.

Students will choose their GCSE options during Term 3 in 2022. However, in order to prepare students for the demands of GCSEs some subjects in Year 9 will be given slightly more lesson time than in Years 7 and 8. As a result of this we are asking students to choose to focus on just one modern foreign language in Year 9 from September 2021. You can also indicate if your child wishes to continue studying two languages. Further information about how lessons for a second language will be structured will be

Cont. on page 2



sent once students have made their choices.

The language the student chooses to continue studying in Year 9 will be the language taken to GCSE level. This is therefore an important decision to make. To help students with their decision, during the past week languages teachers have discussed language options during lessons. If you want to discuss the choice further, please do email your child's languages teachers in the first instance and they will be happy to talk through the options further.

To indicate the language your child wishes to continue studying please complete the web form below:

#### YEAR 8 LANGUAGE CHOICE FORM

Please ensure the form is completed by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

Thank you for your time reading this letter and if you do have any questions please contact us at school.

Mr A Morbey Assistant Headteacher – Curriculum

Miss A Spence 2<sup>nd</sup> i/c MFL and KS3 MFL Lead



#### SIXTH FORM TRANSITION FORTNIGHT UPDATE



#### COMMENCING MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

As promised, I wanted to write to you and share with you further details for the Year 11 Transition fortnight that will take place over the two weeks commencing **Monday 7**<sup>th</sup> **June.** We are looking forward to seeing all students coming in and enjoying some important preparatory study for their A-Levels and Applied Qualification courses (e.g. BTECs).

As a reminder, the Transition Fortnight is for everyone who is continuing to Level 3 study, whether you will be attending Sixth Form at FPSS or you will be attending

another school or college. If you do not hold a conditional offer from Furze Platt, please be aware that we may not be able to accommodate your preferred option choices for your future studies over the course of the Transition Fortnight. If you intend to study elsewhere in September but still wish to attend the Transition Fortnight, you must let us know prior to the fortnight itself. Please email <u>sixthformadmin@furzeplatt.net</u> to inform us of your intention to attend and to let us know what subjects you wish to take part in.

I have spoken to a number of Year 11 students over the last two weeks and many have asked me similar questions about the Transition Fortnight, so I have written to you in a Q+A format to address the questions I have been asked (as well as some other information). I hope this is useful to you but please don't hesitate to get in touch with me should you require any further information.

### What will I being doing during the Transition Fortnight and how will it benefit me?

The purpose of the Transition Fortnight is to boost your academic skills and abilities in preparation for your post-16 studies. There is a substantial 'jump' in challenge in Sixth Form study, as well as a substantial change in how you need to approach work if you are going to be successful. You will be given work in your chosen subjects that will develop your skills in things like critical thinking, research, collaboration, analysis, creativity and communication as these are going to be the key ingredients in maximising your potential in your A-Level and Applied courses.

#### When will timetables be sent out for the fortnight?

We are currently working on finalising the timetable, which will be ready for the fortnight itself. Students will be emailed their timetable by the start of the fortnight and a hard copy of each students' timetable will be available from the Sixth Form on the morning of June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Some students may not have a complete timetable for all of their subjects due to specific instances of compatibility. These instance will only affect the Transition Fortnight and will not be the case during Taster Days or when term starts in September. If there are any specific instances of timetable incompatibility, we will contact those students directly and individually.

Please be aware that any groups you are allocated to for the Transition Fortnight may not be the ones you are allocated to in September.

#### Do I have to be in school all day?

Not all day. The Transition Fortnight will run over the standard school day of 8.45am - 3.15pm. You will be allocated to a form group for the 8.45am - 9.15am morning session so you will need to be in school each day for 8.45am.



You will be permitted to leave school and go home when you finish your last lesson of the day. For instance, if you have a lesson during period 3 and nothing for the remaining periods, you are welcome to go home should you wish. However, you will have full access to all Sixth Form resources (Common Room, Library, English block) throughout the school day when you do not have timetabled lessons so if you wish to remain on site and enjoy some social time with friends, we would love to have you in school.

You may leave school during break to purchase food and drink should you wish. Alternatively, you may use the café when you are not in lessons at your convenience. There will be a sign-in/sign-out book in Sixth Form for you to use if you do leave the school site.

#### What do I have to wear?

The Sixth Form prides itself in its requirement for professional appearance and this is something we also expect in the Transition Fortnight.

You are expected to come to the Transition Fortnight dressed smartly. You do not have to wear lower school uniform if you have other formal clothing although you can wear your uniform if this is most convenient.

Please see the table below for further guidance on dress for Transition Fortnight.

Appropriate Dress Items	Inappropriate Dress Items
Smart trousers or skirts (mid-thigh in length as a minimum)	Jeans, joggers, shorts. Skirts that are too short, body contour or of leather or lycra material
Collared formal, button- down shirts or blouses	T-Shirts or polo shirts
Smart, formal shoes with a low heel	Trainers, flip-flops or sandals, high heels, heavy boots
V-necked plain jumper or blazer/jacket*	Casual jumpers, hoodies, sweatshirts.
A tie**	Clothing should not have large logos.

#### \*Students may wear a suit if they wish.

### \*\*Boys are expected to wear a tie. Girls may wear one if they choose to.

All students will be given a lanyard to borrow at the start of the Transition Fortnight. This is part of the uniform and must be worn visibly at all times. Students will need to return their lanyard at the end of the fortnight.

#### What equipment will I need?

You will need to bring with you everything you would for an ordinary day at school (i.e. pens, pencils and other stationery). You should bring some suitable clothing for physical activity on Wednesday as there will be REC sessions happening during period 6, which may involve some sporting activity.

You may use your mobile phone in the Sixth Form centre but (as per school policy) phones should not be visible when moving around site or in lessons without a teacher's permission.

### What do I do if I have changed my mind about my option choices?

If you wish to make a change to your subject choices, please let us know in the first instance by emailing Mrs Wilson (Sixth Form Administrator) at sixthformadmin@furzeplatt.net

If you would like to make any option changes to your subjects going forward, we will be able to reflect these for Taster Days but not for the Transition Fortnight. Any student who does not intend to attend a particular subject for the Transition Fortnight due to a subject change should let that teacher know as soon as possible.

### What do I do if I am ill or unable to attend during the course of the Transition Fortnight?

Should you become ill over the course of the Transition Fortnight, you should follow the standard Sixth Form policy of asking a parent or carer to contact the Sixth Form Absence Line and to leave a message stating clearly who you are, why you are ill and when you expect to return. The Sixth Form Absence Line is monitored by Mrs Pasa, Sixth Form Manager, and can be accessed by dialling the main school number (01628 625308) and then dialling extension 650. We would recommend you put this number in your phones now in case you need to contact us with regard to reporting absence.

### What are the COVID policies in the Sixth Form and how will these work for Transition Fortnight?

Students are expected to wear face coverings when in the Sixth Form (unless they are exempt or if they are physically eating or drinking in the Common Room). The Sixth Form is a bubble in itself and so all students in the Transition Fortnight will be in a bubble with current Year 12 students. LFD (asymptomatic testing) kits are still being distributed and students are advised to take these tests as previously recommended.

Should any COVID circumstances change, or should any arrangements require alteration as a result of COVID guidance, I will write to you separately.

Cont. on page 4

EXCELLENCE

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY

I hope this letter has been useful to you all and that it has addressed the key questions you have. Should you have any further queries, please do email me and I would be delighted to give any further information.

I am very excited to see you all of our prospective Sixth Formers – and even those students who may be leaving FPSS next academic year – during the Transition Fortnight for a fantastic two weeks.

With very best wishes,

Mr P Ging

AMBITIOUS

Assistant Headteacher, Head of Sixth Form





**C**OLLABORATIVE



If you have any news items you wish to feature in our newsletter please email: media@furzeplatt.net

**Η** Α Ρ Ρ Υ



### FOR YEAR 6 STUDENTS STARTING WITH US IN SEPTEMBER 2021

Earlier this week Mrs Crisford, our Transition Leader, Mr Sheppard and Dr Morrison had the pleasure of virtually 'meeting' parents and introducing them to Furze Platt.

Our welcome pages with the recent presentation are on the front of our website along with our Year 7 Parents' Guide for all new parents.

We very much look forward to seeing all our new students.





#### YEAR 9 IMMUNISATIONS

#### WEDNESDAY 30TH JUNE 2021

All young people in Year 9 are now due to receive their 3in-1 (tetanus/diphtheria/polio) booster alongside the Meningococcal ACWY vaccination. These immunisations consist of two vaccinations, one injection given in each arm).

All young people should have already received four doses of tetanus, diphtheria and polio the first three doses are given as a baby, the fourth dose when they were between three and five years old. The dose then offered in Year 9 is classed as a booster dose, as it boosts their bodies immune response to continue to fight off these diseases. The meningitis vaccine protects against 4 strains of the meningococcal virus that have been found to be more prominent in young people at school leaver age. These vaccines protect young people against serious and potentially life-threatening diseases:

- Tetanus is a serious disease which affects the central nervous system that is caused by bacteria found in soil. The disease is spread through open cuts and wounds.
- Diphtheria is highly contagious and potentially fatal bacterial infections that can affect the nose, throat and sometimes the skin.
- Polio is a serious viral infection that used to be common in the UK and worldwide. It's rare nowadays because it can be prevented with vaccination.
- Meningococcal A, C, W and Y disease that cause meningitis and blood poisoning (septicaemia) which can be fatal. For further information about these diseases and the vaccines that protect against them please visit: https://www.gov.uk/ government/publications/immunisations-for-youngpeople.

We are due to immunise at your child's school (Furze Platt) on 30 June 2021. For your child to be vaccinated you are required to complete an online consent form, (if more than one child you will need to complete a form per child). Please click on this link <u>https://</u>

www.berkshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/DTP to complete the form. The code for Furze Platt is: BK137740 Please submit your form by 29 June 2021 by 12pm to ensure your child receives their vaccinations. If you experience any problems accessing the form, please telephone 0300 365 0077 and the team will be happy to help you. If you do not wish for your child to be vaccinated, we ask that you still complete a consent form online but as a non-consent.

Thank you in advance.

The Berkshire School Aged Immunisation Team



ļ

#### INVITATIONS TO CLUBS



Parents and carers of students in all year groups will have received invitations to attend clubs for their son/daughter, with many more to come over the next few weeks as restrictions are further lifted.



#### THE BIG ASK

DEADLINE WEDNESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021

#### About The Big Ask

The Big Ask is a survey for children and young people aged 4–17 in England. We've split the survey into different age groups, so you can fill in a version appropriate for your age. We've also made easy-read 'accessible' versions as well as a version for care leavers.

#### Why you should take part

This is your chance to have your say on the things that matter to you. You can tell us what your life is like, what you want in the future, and anything you think is holding you back.

We'll use what you say to tell the people who run the country or your local area what you think needs to change to make your life better.

#### Your privacy

We won't ask for your name, phone number or email, and we'll keep what you tell us safe and private – it won't be shared with anyone else. You don't have to answer any question if you don't want to.

The questionnaire should take between 5-10 minutes to complete and you can find the link here:

#### THE BIG ASK

#### PARENTAL SUPPORT SESSIONS



#### EXPERIENCE THE BENEFITS OF MEDITATION

#### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 7-8pm

You are warmly invited to an evening where we will explore what meditation is, how to practically apply it in our everyday lives & a listen to a guided meditation commentary to experience it for yourselves. In our challenging world, the call is for inner calm & resilience; meditation is a place within yourself to rediscover your true beauty & strength.

#### **INFORMAL SHARING**

#### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 7-8pm

You are warmly invited to attend an evening of informal sharing & a chance for parents to ask questions on any of the topics we have covered this term or on any way that best supports you.

To book or for more information please email: <u>Benvenuta.DiBartolomeo@furzeplatt.net</u>

#### REMINDER



### WHERE DO I NEED TO REPORT THE HOME TEST RESULTS?

с т	ссс	СССТ
Negative	Positive	Invalid

Results need to be reported both via the school's link and the NHS Test and trace site:

#### Home test reminder

Students should complete a test twice a week and register to both of the following links:

1. NHS Test & Trace self-report website:

#### **REPORT RESULT TO THE NHS**

2. Furze Platt's link for reporting test results:

#### **REPORT RESULT TO US**

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE

If you have any news items you wish to feature in our newsletter please email: media@furzeplatt.net

6

# SIXTH FORM UPDATE

#### VOLUNTEER YEAR 12 AMBASSADORS NEEDED

- From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June we will have Year 11 students back on site for transition fortnight. We need some volunteer students who will support the Sixth Form team during this fortnight.
- You would be representing the Sixth Form by: supporting with seminar and the first assembly; talking to Year 11 students during free lessons and during break times; engaging with them during the fortnight.
- If you are interested please email me by next Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> May.

#### VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Please see the attachment with more opportunities available via Speakers for Schools:

**Speakers for Schools** is working with top UK employers to offer students more meaningful work experience opportunities. We are now recruiting for several remote work experience placements and insight days that we think will be of interest to your students.

#### New Virtual Work Experience Opportunities:

#### Wates

Dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 14- 19 year olds interested in Construction. Application Deadline: 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021

#### **SIGN UP**

**Thames Water- Technology Revolution** Date: 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 14 – 19 year olds. Application Deadline: 29<sup>th</sup> May 2021

**SIGN UP** 

#### Govia Thameslink Railway

Date:  $24^{nd}$  June 2021 Eligibility: 14 - 19 year olds interested in how technology is used in the transport industry. Application Deadline:  $24^{th}$  May 2021

#### SIGN UP

**British Army** Dates: 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 14 – 19 year olds interested in how technology is used in the Army. Application Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021

**SIGN UP** 

Santander Dates: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds.

Application Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021

#### SIGN UP

#### **NHS Improvement**

Dates: 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds. Application Deadline: 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021

**SIGN UP** 

#### **Turner & Townsend**

Dates: 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds Application Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**SIGN UP** 

Cavendish Nuclear Dates: 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds Application Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021

#### SIGN UP

#### **MIRA** Technology Institute

Dates: 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds Application Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021

SIGN UP

#### British Airways

Dates: 29<sup>th</sup> June- 1st July 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds interested in engineering. Application Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021

SIGN UP

Cont. on page 8

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE

#### **Digital Advantage**

Dates: 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds Application Deadline: 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

#### **SIGN UP**

#### FinTrU

Dates: 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 16 -19 year olds interested in technology. Application Deadline: 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

SIGN UP

#### **Formative Content**

Dates: 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 16 -19 year olds interested in the media industry. Application Deadline: 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

SIGN UP

#### The National Trust- Cliveden

Dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year olds in the South East region. Application Deadline: 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021

#### SIGN UP

**Sizewell C- EDF Energy** Dates: 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021 Eligibility: 14 -19 year old females. Application Deadline: 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

#### **SIGN UP**

If you have any questions about the placements or experience any issues signing in to your account, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>experience@speakersforschools.org</u>.

Best Wishes,

The Experience Team

UK UNIVERSITY AND APPRENTICESHIP SEARCH VIRTUAL FAIR YEAR 12

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Register via the link below:



• Interactive fair with a wide range of universities, colleges and apprenticeship providers joining.

- You'll be able to explore exhibition stands, live chat with admissions officers, student ambassadors, academics and recruitment teams to ask any questions you have, view virtual campus tours, prospectuses and information, and take part in 10 live and interactive webinars.
- In January 2021 the exhibitors answered over 20,000 questions from students in 6 hours!

#### **BUSINESS AND FINANCE WEBINAR**



Business and Finance webinar with Adidas, McDonald's, Pladis and CIMA. Please see the email below.

#### Good Morning,

We have an amazing opportunity for students in Y12 / S5, Y13 / S6 & Y14 who are looking to get into Business & Finance coming up on the 19<sup>th</sup> May, 5pm - 6pm.

For the first time ever we are bringing together some of the world's biggest brands like never before. In collaboration with **CIMA**, **Adidas**, **McDonald's and Plaids** (the creators of McVitie's) we will be putting on an exclusive webinar talking all about what it's like to work in Business & Accounting at some of the world's most recognisable brands. We will also be showcasing all of the amazing career opportunities for students leaving school this year as well as summer work experience opportunities with CIMA.

#### Key Details:

- Open to students interested in Business, Accounting & Finance
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 5pm 6pm
- Senior business leaders from Adidas, McDonald's and Plaids will be joining us
- An overview on what the CIMA Business & Accounting qualification is
- Summer Work Experience in Business, Accounting & Finance with CIMA
- Open to all Year 12 and Year 13 students
- Very limited places (first come first served)

#### **APPLICATION LINK**



A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE

If you have any news items you wish to feature in our newsletter please email: media@furzeplatt.net

8



#### **Contact us**

Email: <u>ptfa@furzeplatt.net</u> | Facebook: <u>facebook.com/fpssptfa</u> Charity Number 287878

### NEARLY NEW UNIFORM - DONATIONS REQUIRED PLEASE

Reuse, recycle, repurpose...



Our stock of saleable uniform needs topping up!

Please donate your child's outgrown logo'd uniform to the PTFA so we can sell and earn funds to fulfil funding requests.

All sizes of games and daywear are welcome.

A few instructions though...

• Current logo'd uniform only

A M BITIOUS COLLABORATIVE

- Clean and freshly laundered = we don't want to see pockets full of pens, rulers, paint brushes, keys or tissues (and add to our own washing mountains!)
- Very good condition to sell = intact so no torn pockets or sleeves, no holes, no stains (we've received plenty of unsaleable goods previously!).
- Footwear in good, clean, saleable condition = Astro boots, trainers and/or daywear shoes that are uncreased in nearly new condition (we have an abundance of muddy football boots to rehome already!).

Drop off to a PTFA household so contact us by email: <u>ptfa@furzeplatt.net</u> or message us through <u>Facebook.com/fpssptfa</u> for an address or leave a bag in school reception.



EASYFUNDRAISING – Double Donations - Ends Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May

#### NO NEW SUPPORTERS SINCE MARCH!

# easyfundraising feel good shopping

Until Sunday, you can raise TWICE as much for us without spending anything extra. See the participating retailers through this link:

#### **PARTICIPATING RETAILERS**

AMAZON.SMILE – REGISTRATIONS STILL REQUIRED

FEWER PURCHASES MADE IN APRIL THAN IN MARCH!

# smile.amazon.co.uk

#### **SMILE AMAZON**

Have any feedback, comments and/or ideas? Please let us know by email <u>ptfa@furzeplatt.net</u> or through our <u>Facebook Page facebook.com/fpsptfa</u>

9

HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE



### 4 week paid internship to start 14th June 2021



Are you interested in finding out how exciting it is to be a teacher of Maths or Physics? Would you like to spend time in one of our five impressive partnership schools in Maidenhead? Would you like the prospect of shadowing a teacher, a student and sharing your experiences with others also keen on pursuing a teaching career? Would you like the opportunity to speak with a newly qualified teacher about their first year in school?

Teach Maidenhead are looking for undergraduates studying maths or physics related subjects who are interested in training to teach upon completion of their degrees.

We are offering a four week internship programme in June aimed at providing a good understanding of the daily life of a Teacher. The programme will include shadowing teachers and students, opportunities to observe and evaluate teaching practice, time to research and review educational theories and literature and towards the end of the programme the chance to share your degree specialism knowledge to our Maths and Physics students in the classroom.

Support from subject leaders, mentors and Heads of Department will be available throughout the internship as well as the opportunity to develop an array of skills which are useful for all walks of life. There will also be time to meet with successful trainees and learn about their experiences.

At the end of the internship you will have acquired a range of transferable skills such as team building, reflecting and communicating which will help you to increase your employability and enable you to determine whether your own skill set is appropriate for the teaching profession.

We are proud of our schools and the exciting training programme we have seen many trainees embark upon and successfully complete. We are confident that we can provide undergraduates with the support and opportunity to consider what is a very rewarding career.

Our internship will take place in week commencing 14th June 2021 for four weeks and we will offer interns an amount of £300 a week upon completion of the internship.

Click here for an application form



#### Exams Access Arrangements Officer To start as soon as is practicable Fixed Term Contract of one year in the first instance

Part time, 15 hours a week, number of days/hours each day worked negotiable. Monday to Friday, term time only. Actual salary Scale 4, £7,400 - £7,850 pa depending on experience

We have an exciting new opportunity for an Exams Access Arrangements Officer to support our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo), Second in Charge SENCo and Learning Support Department during term time. You will be an integral member of the SEN Department and will undertake the co-ordinating, planning, arrangement and submission process for exam access arrangements for learners across the school in line with Awarding Body regulations. This involves collecting and co-ordinating the completion of referral paperwork for all students who are eligible for consideration for access arrangements, preparation of paperwork and ensuring that relevant students' files (both paper and electronic) are up-to-date and accurate in time for any inspections. The role will involve liaising with many different parties including students, staff, parents and carers and in particular, with our Exams Department with whom you will liaise on an ongoing basis. Our Exams Department staff will provide you with support and training as well.

Strong administrative, organisational and time management skills with attention to detail and an understanding of the importance of accuracy and the ability to meet deadlines are key requirements of this role. If you have excellent written and communication skills, enjoy using your initiative as well as working with a part of a team and are happy working in an environment with young people where no two days are ever the same then we would be interested in hearing from you.

For further information about this role and in order to complete a Support Staff 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.

Furze Platt Senior School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and we expect all staff to share this commitment. This post is subject to an enhanced disclosure via the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Closing date: Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 9:00am Interviews will take place week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> May

INTEGRITY **E**NDURANCE **V**ERSATILITY

**CURRENT VACANCIES** 



EXCELLENCE

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY



### **RUGBY IS FOR GIRLS!**

**Rugby taster session, all abilities,** starters welcome - ages 11-12

**Meet LEANNE RILEY, England's Grand Slam and World Cup scrum-half** 



May 23rd, Maidenhead RFC, Braywick -Start 12 for 12.30

To register, and for further information stephenjones9@aol.com

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE

12

### FOOTBALL COACHING FOR YOUNGER PLAYERS – RECEPTION TO YEAR 6



### MAIDENHEAD FOOTBALL COACHING COURSE

AT FURZE PLATT SENIOR SCHOOL Furze Platt Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 7NQ				
STARTII	NG: TUESDAY 18 <sup>th</sup> MAY 2021			
Tuesdays:	Group 1 : School Years Reception and Year 15.00pm - 6.00pm			
	Group 2 : School Years 2 & 36.00pm - 7.00pm			
	Group 3 : School Years 4, 5, & 67.00pm - 8.00pm			

Dear Parents

I am pleased to inform you that due to the huge success of our soccer courses over the last **20 years** we are following up the Soccer Coaching programme for the season starting in May 2021. The course will run for approximately 8 weeks and the programme is for boys & girls aged between 4 and 12.

#### About our Course

- The unique practice techniques are specifically designed to work with children of all abilities, ranging from the absolute beginner to the more advanced player.
- The course is run by F.A qualified coaches, who are **DBS** checked, and hold an advanced premier skills qualification. They are currently working with children, enabling them to learn essential soccer techniques together with a **'FUN'** element building **CONFIDENCE** and improving **FITNESS**.
- Professional goals are used in all groups for shooting practice and small sided games.
- It is an **outdoor** course held on football pitches, therefore children should wear boots or trainers.
- Ex Premier League Birmingham City, West Brom and Fulham player Geoff Horsfield quotes, "I've coached on these courses with the team and they are fantastic in the way they deliver their coaching sessions!"
- Ex England World Cup star and Sky Sports pundit Paul Merson quotes, "I have presented trophies to the children on these courses and it's great to see the smiles on their faces and sense of achievement!"
- Presentation of trophies and awards
- On the final week of the course we hold a presentation, whereby **EACH CHILD WILL**

#### **RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY.**

- Children also have a chance to win many other special individual awards and trophies for various skills, including **'F.A cup tournament' and 'penalty shoot out'** competitions.
- Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the presentation and watch the children being presented with their awards, as this encourages a fantastic atmosphere.
- The cost of the course is £7.00 per week; made by 2 payments of £28.00 due on week 1, and a final payment made on week 5 of £28.

Please Note: Places are limited, therefore bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Mark Frith (course coordinator) <u>www.prosoccercoachinguk.com</u>

#### TO RESERVE PLACES PLEASE TEXT:

MAIDENHEAD + CHILD'S NAME + AGE + GROUP NO. (1, 2 or 3)

and receive confirmation by text to:

07586 933 609

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE 13

# Cycling Instructors and **Dr Bike Sessions**





#### **Cycling Instructors**

Do you enjoy cycling?

Have you got a passion for teaching?

If you can answer yes to both of these questions then you might like to consider joining a team of cycling instructors to deliver the Bikeability scheme across our region. Bikeability is the national standard for cycle training governed by the Bikeability Trust on behalf of the Department for Transport. The Bikeability programme is delivered to RBWM schools throughout the year. The demand for the programme is high and we are in need of new enthusiastic instructors.

Avanti Cycling are running an instructor training course over the upcoming half term holiday. If you are interested then take a look at the Avanti Instructor leaflet and contact Avanti Cycling direct.



#### **Dr Bike Sessions**

Maidenhead Cycle Hub are offering Dr Bike sessions to give your bike a safety check by a bike mechanic. It is essential to keep your bike in good condition to ensure that it is roadworthy.

The Dr Bike sessions are FREE and bookable online via https://cyclehub.org.uk/dr-bike/ Or go to their facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/CycleHubUK/</u> Upcoming Dr Bike sessions:

- 1. 20th May at The Windsor and Eton Brewery
- 2. 22nd May at Desborough School Maidenhead
- 3. 24th May at Maidenhead Town Hall

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE HAPPY INTEGRITY ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE

14

### Could you be a cycling instructor? We'll train you

Avanti Cycling is looking for instructors to teach Bikeability in schools.

Bikeability is the government-sponsored training programme designed to give school children the skills and confidence to ride in traffic.

If you are keen on promoting cycling and work well with children then this could be something for you.

We teach Bikeability in Berkshire and Oxfordshire, including Reading and Wokingham; Windsor and Maidenhead; Oxford and lots of smaller towns in south Oxfordshire.

This would suit you if you are looking for paid, parttime work mainly during term time.

We would train you.

We run four-day courses which cover both the theoretical as well as practical aspects of teaching Bikeability.

And once you've passed the course you'll get a certificate which will qualify you to teach anywhere in the country.

To find out more please email Greg Woodford, the director of Avanti Cycling, at greg@avanticycling.co.uk or go our website avanticycling.co.uk

Нарру 🗸

avantic/cling

A MBITIOUS COLLABORATIVE

avanticycling cycle training specialists lit t

15

INSTRUCTOR

INTEGRITY **ENDURANCE VERSATILITY EXCELLENCE**