

FURZE PLATT FOCUS

Weekly Newsletter - Issue #65.4



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Extra-Curricular Activities

This week I have spoken to students about their Latin Club, watched students play netball, been amazed that over a hundred students attended dodgeball and seen the cast list for our musical, Matilda Jnr, being published. These are just a small number of the



over 50 activities we have on offer. If your child is yet to attend a club, please encourage them to do so.

Languages Week

It has been a pleasure to see the various events occurring this week as we celebrate languages. Our community speaks a huge range of languages from across the world. If you have the ability to speak different languages or have experienced different cultures, please do share these with your sons and daughters.

Open Evening and Events

You will soon be receiving letters about our Open Evening on Thursday 7th October. This is a wonderful chance for your children to be involved and develop their skills leading tours, helping in departments and learning to talk to different audiences. As always please do encourage your son or daughter to get involved.

COVID-19

Parents and carers will have received a letter from me on Thursday with regard to COVID-19. Cases are rising locally and I understand from colleagues that some schools have re -introduced Covid measures. Please help protect our community by ensuring your child stays off school and gets tested if they have symptoms.

I hope that you have a pleasant weekend.

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

SPORTS CALENDAR

If information for any of our upcoming events changes due to the current situation, full details will be sent out to parents and carers.

Next week (week 1)

Forthcoming Events

THU 7	Early School Finish	12.30pm
OCTOBER	School Open Evening	6pm - 9pm
FRI 8	INSET Day	All Day

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2021/22

YEARS 7 AND 10 PHOTOS

RETURN BY TUESDAY 28TH **SEPTEMBER**

Parents and carers who would prefer to pay by cash for their son / daughter's photos should return payment to Main Reception by Tuesday 28th September clearly marked with the student name, form (if known) and year group.







YEAR 10 HOCKEY



Our Year 10 Girls' Hockey team played on Tuesday against Licenced Victuallers School Ascot, it was a very exciting game with two well matched teams. Although the score stayed at 0-0 all involved played excellently; player of the match was awarded to Megan Delahey (GK).



Our Team

Grace Gibson Lena Holmes Tia Mattingley Lily Gibson Charli Arnold

Kirsty Steed Rose Cullum Sadie Huddleston Megan Delahey (GK) Georgia Owen

VIRTUAL BAKE OFF



Virtual Bake Off

As part of our Languages Week activities (week beginning 20th September) we have some fun activities planned, including Virtual Bake Off!

Have you ever made churros, a tarte tatin or even a Schwarzwälder Kirschtorte?

Or are you a creative cake decorator? The MFL Department challenges you to bake a cake from a different culture or to decorate a cake with an international theme! Please remember to take a photo before enjoying your tasty treats and email it to Miss Spence by Sunday 26th September (European Day of Languages) ready to present to the judging panel

alice.spence@furzeplatt.net







ACHIEVE FUND





We have some fabulous facilities at Furze Platt Senior School! Recent developments include our new three-storey English/Science block and our new state-of-the-art Theatre. We intend to provide the very best environment for students to develop, experience and ACHIEVE success.

FOR MORE DETAILS PLEASE SEE OUR PAGE



SEE YOUR MONEY MAKE A DIFFERENCE, INVEST IN EDUCATION.



WARHAMMER CLUB – NEW STARTING THURSDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER





Warhammer Club offers students in all year groups space to come and play games of Warhammer 40k and Age of

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Sigmar, as well as workshops to improve their hobbying.

If you are interested, please see Mr Tomlinson and talk about your hobby. The first session you will not need to bring an army, as we will be discussing what people have, want, and what we will do in the following weeks.





New players are most welcome too!

To book please confirm via clubs email sent 10th September.



INVITATIONS TO CLUBS



Parents and carers of students in all year groups will have received invitations to attend a wide variety of clubs for their son/daughter.

The emails will be headed Furze Platt Senior School with the email address evolve.furzeplattsnrvisits@edufocus.co.uk and the links are safe for you to click on to confirm your child's attendance.

If you have not yet received an email please check your junk / spam folders.

Please note:

- * bookings can be made through the email invitation sent on Friday 10th September.
- * once in the list of clubs via the email, to book please click on the name of the club you wish your child to attend and confirm the dates

- * please only book your son / daughter on for one club per session time
- * we always encourage students to attend a variety of clubs. We will be publishing a list of clubs each week via the link below and via email to students also.
- * students in upper years may see invitations to academic clubs that are not part of their specific academic programme
- * emails are sent to year groups so please only choose sessions that are appropriate to your son/daughter
- * we advise students bring water to their sessions in the warmer weather

If you have not received an email and have checked your junk mail without success, or if your son or daughter is unable to attend a club on a specific date, please email catherine.johnstone@fuzeplatt.net for assistance and provide as much notice as possible to allow time for that place to be allocated to someone on the waiting list.

Thank you.

LINK TO CLUBS LIST



SCHOOL TOURS INFORMATION







Contact us

Email: ptfa@furzeplatt.net | Facebook: facebook.com/fpssptfa

Website: click here to access



Thank you to everyone who's donating and purchasing Nearly New Uniform - please keep it up!

Help is very much required to run the 'shop' a few hours a week, so please get in touch asap:

ptfa@furzplatt.net https://www.facebook.com/fpssptfa

PTFA Meeting and 200 Club Draw

Week Commencing 18th October 2021

7pm – 8pm

All parents, carers, friends and staff welcome to join us.

We'll also discuss fundraising ideas, requests, plans ahead and how to achieve them.

3 winning numbers will be drawn 'from the hat' for those members in the 200 Club – each winner earns £200!!!! Here are the details to join our Club:

MONTHLY PAYMENT (£5 PER MONTH)

ANNUAL PAYMENT (£57 PER YEAR)

Big Quiz and Hot Buffet Dinner & Bar

Friday 12th November 2021

7.30pm for 8pm start

Tickets available online nearer the time.

Volunteers required to setup, run the bar and raffle.



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We are registered to receive online donations through organisations offering our PTFA free cash, at no cost to you! We would be very grateful for your registration with Easyfundraising.org Amazon.Smile and Easy2Name

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We appreciate your feedback greatly and welcome comments and ideas by email ptfa@furzeplatt.net or through our Facebook Page facebook.com/fpssptfa



Furze Platt Senior School offers

- An inclusive school offering a broad, stimulating and rewarding education for all.
- Superb academic, sporting and arts facilities which create an enriching learning environment for students.

'Pupils achieve highly at this school'

- Ofsted

- A well-established House system offering a variety of challenging and engaging activities, as well as providing the basis for our fantastic pastoral care.
- Our eight Houses give students identity and belonging and includes dedicated staff, student mentors and leaders who will support and help with students' development.

Ofsted

- A wealth of extra-curricular interests, trips and visits.
- Students are able to ACHIEVE excellence and successfully progress to the next stage of their lives as well-educated young adults we are proud to know.

'An increased number of pupils achieved top grades at key stage 4 [and] made very strong progress in both academic and vocational subjects. The most able make similar or greater progress than other pupils nationally.'



How to find us:

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WWW.FURZEPLATT.COM



Exam Invigilator – to start as soon as possible

Term time only, casual contract. Actual salary £11.30 per hour

Furze Platt Senior School is looking to add to their bank of dedicated Exam Invigilators, who will be employed on a casual basis to supervise students taking both pre-public exams and actual GCSE/A Level exams, as necessary throughout the school year. We are looking for individuals who:

- Are available to work on an ad hoc basis during exam sessions particularly during May/June.
- Are able to work individually and as part of a team
- Have good interpersonal skills
- Remain calm under pressure
- Are able to follow all instructions including those set by the Exam Board

Full training will be provided and staff will be contacted prior to the exam period to discuss the invigilation schedule in relation to their own availability.

Please visit our website www.furzeplatt.com for an application form or contact Mrs Sarah Hemsley via sarah.hemsley@furzeplatt.net for further information. Only applications submitted on the school application form will be considered. All applications should be submitted to kiran.smith@furzeplatt.net.

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: Ongoing Interviews will take place as suitable applicants apply

CURRENT VACANCIES