

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

## Sixth Form Interviews

Early this term the applications date passed for our Sixth Form. We have had a considerable several hundred applications from students currently studying at FPSS, as well as other schools. Over the next few weeks, we will be interviewing candidates and making offers. I wish applicants all the best with these interviews.



## Year 9 Options

Following their assemblies and taster lessons, I have enjoyed talking to Year 9 this week about potential options. I look forward to further conversations with students, parents and carers at our upcoming Options Evening.

## Year 13 PPEs

Congratulations to all Year 13 who conducted themselves so well around their PPEs. I hope that they receive the grades their work deserves. More importantly, whatever the result, I hope lessons are learned for the summer examination season starting in 13 weeks.

## NEU Strike Action

Finally, as you will have seen in the press, the NEU have announced upcoming strike action, the first of which is scheduled for 1 February. We are currently in communication with the union and planning for the strike dates. I will send parents and carers further details towards the end of next week.

Take care,

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



## TERM 3 EVENTS

ALL EVENTS

SPORTS CALENDAR

## NEXT WEEK (WEEK 2)

WED 25 JANUARY	<b>**Postponed - Year 11 &amp; 13 Photographs**</b>	
THU 26 JANUARY	Year 9 Options Evening	6pm - 8.30pm
FRI 27 JANUARY	Late Start	9.15am

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WED 1 FEBRUARY	PTFA Meeting / AGM (Library)	7pm for 7.30 start
MON 6 FEBRUARY	School Musical (matinee performance for local junior schools)	
TUE 7 - THU 9 FEBRUARY	School Musical	7pm
FRI 10 FEBRUARY	END OF TERM (TERM 3)	3.15pm finish
MON 13 - FRI 17 FEBRUARY	FEBRUARY HOLIDAYS	
MON 20 FEBRUARY	START OF TERM 4 (Week 1)	8.40am

## SCHOOL TERM DATES





On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January students will start at 9.15am and should go straight to their first lesson (not form time).

This is due to school events taking place on the Thursday evening beforehand.



A  
**FURZE PLATT**  
SENIOR SCHOOL  
PERFORMANCE

**SISTER ACT**

**TUES 7 - THURS 9  
FEBRUARY 2023**

**IN THE THEATRE**

DOORS OPENING AT **6.30PM**  
& PERFORMANCE AT **7PM**

**BOOK YOUR TICKETS TODAY!**



## THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January, we will be holding our 2023 Year 9 Options Information Evening.

This important evening is for students and parents to find out about the options process and to talk to different subject teachers about the wide range of courses that we offer at Furze Platt.

There will be two talks explaining the options process, one at 6.00pm and the other at 6.45pm, with 2 Houses attending each talk (details of House timings below).

When the talks have finished after approximately 30 minutes, you will then be able to visit each subject stall in the English block where you can ask any questions you may have and find out more about how different subjects are taught and assessed.

### The timings for the talks are as follows:

6.00pm: Eagle and Falcon Houses

6.45pm: Hawk and Osprey Houses





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Have you seen the latest posts from our PE department?

Year 9 Netball – 04/01



**Team:** Anna Cook, Bethan Hill, Ellie MacNamara, Amelie Cooper, Amelia Richards, Darcy Veazey, India Dickinson Simpson, Zuzanna Piankowska

'Year 9 girls didn't let the first day back fatigue get in the way of an amazing performance yesterday at their netball tournament. Incredible interceptions and shooting led to some convincing wins! Player of the tournament: Bethan.'

Year 7 Girls Football vs Charters – 09/01



**Team:** Isabella Keane, Rosa Mullins, Hannah Peck, Leah Banthorpe, Rachel Lewis, Zara Wibberley, Sophia Mormech, Leticia Ferreira, Niamh Smith, Chloe Henry, Princess Adebuseye

'Our Year 7 girls football team took on a tough Charters side yesterday in their first league game. We are extremely proud of the grit and determination the girls showed to come away with a 1-1 draw! POM – Niamh for her sensational work as goalkeeper!'

Year 7 Hockey vs Charters – 10/01



**Team:** Eliza Cannon, Princess Adebuseye, Sarina Miir, Amber Puri, Lilly Salmon, Liya Holland, Florence To

'An unfortunate loss yesterday for our girls but it was great

to see their progression as a newly formed team! POM: Eliza for excellent gameplay.'



Year 10/11 Girls Football vs Holt – 16/01



**Team:** Amelia Russell, Holly Bray, Sophie Mclachlan, Lily Gibson, Grace Gibson, Connie Howe, Lena Holmes, Alex Delahaye, Courtney Harris, Bella Hunt, Sara Nazir.

'An incredibly tough opening game yesterday for our girls against a skilful side. The girls dug deep and scored a goal on the counter! Shoutout to our goalkeeper for a courageous performance! POM: Sophie for her GOAL and great runs!'

Year 7 Boys Football vs Desborough – 16/01



**Team:** Sean Turley, Jack Admans, Jack Bushell, Ibrahim Khan, Sid Farrell, Rupert Harding, Albert Henwood, Finlay Paterson, Will Hayward, Jake Hathaway, Charlie Hill, Ajeet Hundal, Noah Whelan, Thomas Hughes-Parry.

'The boys turned the table on Desborough in their opening game, winning 3-2 after being 0-2 down at the start! The resilience and effort the boys showed made Mr Tipp a very happy coach! Well done boys!'





## Year 9 Boys Football vs Sandhurst – 18/01



**Team:** Milen Reehal, Noah Thomas, Aaran Hitschmann, Riley Simpson, Roddy Sekula, Murphy Camp-Overy, Adriano Cilia, Indie Halstead, Joe Parrott, Toby Abubakari, Jaden Brown, Ned Ogden, Azaan Tariq, Owen Shaw, Luke Mattingley, Robert Hern.

'Year 9 boys had a magnificent opening game to their football season, winning 5-0 against Sandhurst. Shoutout to Jaden for scoring a HAT-TRICK!'



## Year 7 Netball – 18/01



**Team:** Sophia Mormech, Lilly Gibbins, Lilly Salmon, Maja Cousin, Kayleigh Lewington, Isabella Keane, Mia Harris, Chloe Henry, Sienna Cooper

'Year 7 Green Team tore up the netball court yesterday and won all of their games. POM: Izzy and Lilly for great communication and leadership on court. Special mention to Mia who tried a new position and was AMAZING!!!'



## ACHIEVING HAPPINESS AT FURZE PLATT



Each term there is a focus on an ACHIEVE value. During this traditionally dark, wet and cold term we are focusing on HAPPY. This follows AMBITIOUS in term 1 and COLLABORATIVE in term 2. Every fortnight we award prizes to individual students and to tutor groups for accumulating the most House Points for the value of the term - this term it is HAPPY. This competition re-sets every fortnight to give everyone a fresh opportunity to challenge for the prizes and the recognition. We believe it is a more worthy competition than the other Fortnite game. There is also a fortnightly update on the House standings, with EAGLE currently awarded the most HAPPY points. The focus is very much on what we can do to make others happy. Please help by making this a topic of conversation at home.

As students gather their House Points for demonstrating our school values, they move closer to achieving their ACHIEVE badges. Each badge requires 50 House Points, many students have already achieved their AMBITIOUS and COLLABORATIVE badges. When a student achieves the full set of 6 badges, they can also claim their ACHIEVE badge. There is a bronze, silver and gold set to provide a meaningful challenge for all students as they progress through the year groups. We would like all students to achieve their Gold Award before they leave.

### Winners Fortnight 1

Overall winner:

George Longvill (8DNB)

Well done also to:

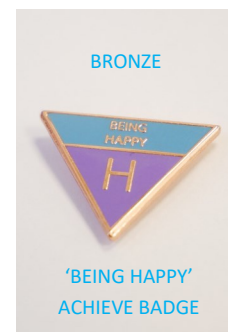
Year 7 – Thomas Butler (7TJC)

Year 9 – Sarah Wang (9SLH)

Year 10 – Connie Butt (10JOH)

Year 11 – Luke Maddox (11ZHM)

Sixth Form – Hadi Anabtawi (6MNW)



Overall Tutor Group winners: 11ZMH (Mr Mahadik)

Well done also to:

7KAH (Ms Herrick's form)

8SEM (Mr Markham's form)

9JGB (Mr Beavis' form)

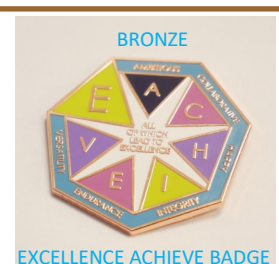
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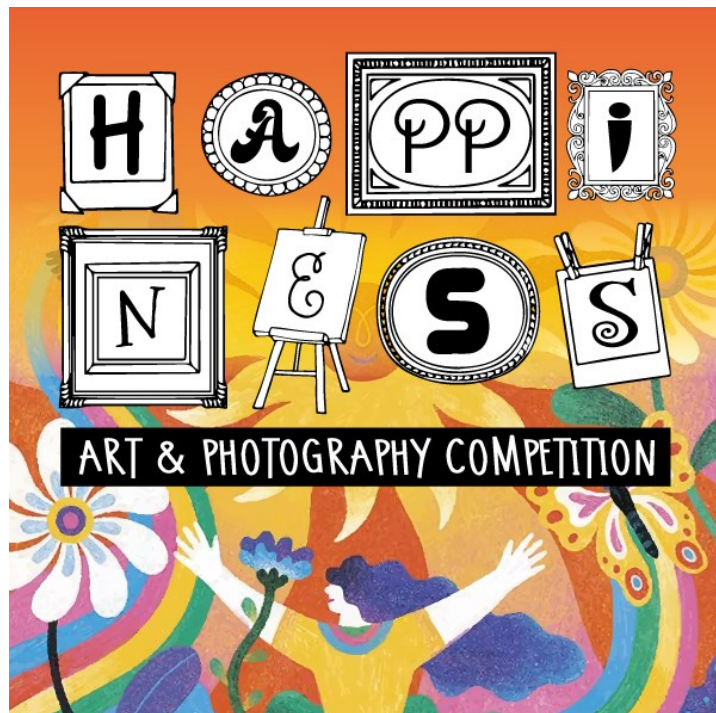
6MNW (Dr Wyatt's form)

COLLECT THE BRONZE ACHIEVE BADGES FOR:

- BEING AMBITIOUS
- BEING COLLABORATIVE
- BEING HAPPY
- HAVING INTEGRITY
- SHOWING ENDURANCE
- HAVING VERSATILITY

TO EARN THE BRONZE EXCELLENCE BADGE!





## HOUSE COMPETITION

### ACHIEVE – HAPPINESS

**Deadline Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February**

Students are asked to produce and submit either a piece of artwork or a photograph that centres around their personal interpretation of Happiness. Entries for each key stage will be narrowed down by the House Captains and Heads of House with Head Judge Dr Morrison awarding the final placings.

This theme can be interpreted in a variety of ways:

- It could be of an object, person, animal or place which illustrates students' idea of happiness such as favourite football teams, kit, best friend, pet or film.
- It could illustrate a hobby which brings them a lot of happiness
- It could be a piece of artwork which they hope will make others happy by looking at it.
- Or perhaps it could illustrate changes that they think need to happen in our society/world which they believe will bring about further happiness.

This task is expected to be completed throughout this half term but in their own personal time in order to ensure high quality outcomes.

If they intend to use people in their photographic outcome then they first of all must ensure permission is given to be in the photograph. (This will be checked by Heads of Houses).

We ask that students only use either themselves, family members or other students from FPSS as subject matter due to data protection and permissions.

For artwork outcomes - please submit these directly to the Head of House with full name and year group is present on the back of submissions.

For photographic entries, students should email digital versions directly to the Head of House with name and year group included in the subject line.

All students that submit a design will receive 10 happiness points from their HOH.

If selected for the shortlist = 25 House points.

Winning designs will receive an extra 25 House points alongside a £30 Amazon voucher. Their house will also be awarded with points dependent on the ranking of their outcome:

1st:1000 2nd:600 3rd:400 4th:200 points

Good luck!

## PASTORAL TEAM



Students at Furze Platt Senior School are provided with first class support and guidance. We want our students to feel happy, safe and secure so that they can enjoy their learning.

To contact our Pastoral team please email [student\\_support@furzeplatt.net](mailto:student_support@furzeplatt.net)

### Our Pastoral Team are:

**Year 7** Head of Progress - Miss A Towell

**Year 7** Pastoral Manager - Miss S Gumbs

**Year 8** Head of Progress - Mr N Jones

**Year 8** Pastoral Manager - Mrs J Barney

**Year 9** Head of Progress - Mr C Djaelani

**Year 9** Pastoral Manager - Mrs B Harper

**Year 10** Head of Progress - Mrs L Bull

**Year 10** Pastoral Manager - Miss L Barney

**Year 11** Head of Progress - Miss L Sharp

**Year 11** Pastoral Manager - Mrs M Carpenter

**Head of Sixth Form** - Mr P Ging

**Sixth Form Manager** - Mrs M Pasa



## PTFA VACANCIES – CAN YOU HELP?

Our PTFA are looking for a Chair and Secretary to take over from current parents who have done a wonderful job raising money for our school to give departments extra resources, helping at events and much more. Please see the AGM letter later on in this newsletter for more information.



## WOOLLY FIRS - A-LEVEL BIOLOGY TRIP

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March

We have arranged for all A-Level Biology students to attend Woolley Firs Environmental Centre in Maidenhead to complete the field work which is part of the practical requirement of their syllabus. This will give them experience of using a range of field work equipment and methods of sampling to obtain data, which they will then use back in school to carry out statistical tests.

The trip will take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and is £10 per student, which can be paid by logging into your ParentMail account. It will be led by the environmental staff at the centre, accompanied by Dr Walker and Mr Barrett. All students will need to go straight to the centre on the day for 9.15am and will be dismissed from the centre at 3pm. The address is Woolley Firs Environmental Education Centre Cherry Garden Lane, Maidenhead, Berks SL6 3LJ.

Students will need to bring a packed lunch and a water bottle and wear suitable clothing to be outside for the day. If your child has asthma could you please remind them to have their inhaler with them should they need it during the day.

The itinerary for the day is shown below, please do contact [katie.mcelligott@furzeplatt.net](mailto:katie.mcelligott@furzeplatt.net) if you have any further questions.

9.15am Students arrive

1. Introduction including a health and safety briefing
2. Introduction to fieldwork and sampling techniques

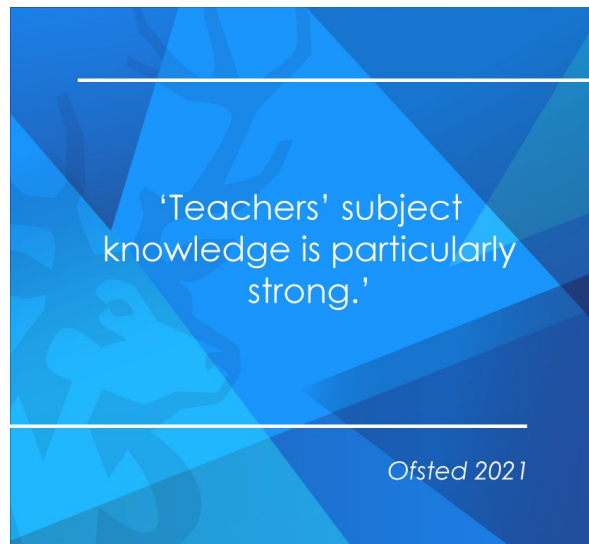
BREAK

3. Random sampling

LUNCH

4. Stratified Sampling; 5. Conclusion

3pm End of day – students leave to go home



## YEAR 11 GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO BOX HILL

As you may be aware, the first part of our Year 11 field trip took place last term to FSC Juniper Hall, Box Hill. Fieldwork and investigation forms a core part of the GCSE Geography course. As part of the GCSE course students are **required** to sit an exam paper focused on Fieldwork and UK Geography, which **totals 30% of their final grade**. This year's focus are Methodical approaches of **Use of Transects** (covered at FSC Juniper Hall) and Conceptual framework of **Inequality** (to be covered on the Maidenhead field trip).

To support students in producing high quality answers in this paper the Geography Department will run a one-day field trip to Maidenhead town centre for all Year 11 GCSE Geography students. The aim of the trip is to provide a framework for students to collect primary data on their local area. The fieldtrip will also equip students with unique experiences of fieldwork that they should be able to link to their wider geographical understanding and ability to follow the geographic enquiry process.

During their Geography fieldwork experiences, students will conduct research and later produce a brief report after their trip based on their data collection and further research.

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The fieldwork will be on the following dates:

- 11A/Gg1 – Mr Green's Class – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February
- 11C/Gg1 – Mrs Brennan's and Mr Green's Class – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February
- 11B/Gg1 – Mr Wellard's Class – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March
- 11B/Gg2 – Mr Harrison's Class Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March
- 11D/Gg1 – Mr Wellard's Class – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

#### Itinerary:

**Students will need to meet their teachers at 9.15am outside the school theatre. Once all together students and teachers will walk down to Maidenhead town centre together.**

**Students will need to register in school that morning.** Their class teachers will register them on arrival. We will be returning to school together by break 2 (approx. 13.30pm). Students will be returning to their normal period 5 lesson after returning to school. For any lessons that they miss, it is their responsibility to find out what work they have missed from speaking to their class teachers.

Students **will be** required to follow the normal School Uniform dress code, and are expected to uphold their appearance and school ethos. We recommend a warm/ rain coat (weather dependent).

Students will need to bring a **refillable water bottle** and a packed lunch to sustain them throughout the day and a **PEN AND PENCIL.**

There will be **no cost** for the trip.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me ([joe.wellard-jeffs@furzeplatt.net](mailto:joe.wellard-jeffs@furzeplatt.net)).

Mr J Wellard-Jeffs, Head of Geography

#### BRONZE, SILVER AND GOLD DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARDS



We are delighted to let you know that we will be offering the Bronze, Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Awards (DofE) to students in Years 9, 10 and 12 this academic year. The DofE is a great chance for your child to broaden their horizons, discover new interests and talents, have fun with friends, develop essential skills for their future and achieve an internationally renowned Award.

Your son or daughter had an assembly regarding this last

term. If they are interested in participating in the award, please see next steps below:

- Read the attached 'DofE 2022- 23' letter for information about the award
- Open the attached 'DofE parent info sessions 2023' letter and choose a date to attend the virtual meeting
- Log into parent mail to pay the registration fee by **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023.**

#### DOFE APPLICATION 2023

- Complete the DofE application form using this link
- **Please note students will only be enrolled if the application form as well as the deposit has been received**
- Help your son or daughter to select and begin suitable activities for their volunteering, physical or skills section using the attached 'Activities Pack'. Our enrichment clubs also offer a range of options to help students achieve each section. Please note that any suitable activities they are currently participating in can be backdated from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022.

Please feel free to contact us on [dofe@furzeplatt.net](mailto:dofe@furzeplatt.net) if you have any queries, and we very much look forward to supporting your son or daughter through their Award.

Miss D Carty

DofE Manager

#### ACTIVITIES PACK

#### BRONZE DOFE 2022-23

#### SILVER DOFE 2022-23

#### GOLD DOFE 2022-23

#### PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS 2023





## VISIT TO UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

By Verity Lakovic, Year 10

Last Tuesday, I was privileged enough to travel with some of my peers and visit Cambridge University, more specifically Selwyn College. Cambridge is a Russell Group university made up of a plethora of colleges ranging in sizes. On arrival, we were greeted by a small group of students offering drinks and biscuits. After settling, we began to learn more about Cambridge and other universities. We discussed the miscellany of courses on offer as well as techniques used in their education system, such as one on one tutoring with lecturers and professors - something only offered in Cambridge and Oxford. I found this very insightful as they fully encouraged discussion surrounding other career and education paths not including Cambridge, it was useful to gain advice from people with experience and jobs in the field.



## INVITATIONS TO CLUBS FOR JANUARY

Parents and carers of students in all year groups were sent new clubs lists at the end of last term via the EVOLVE email system for their son / daughter for next term (January to February half term).

My EVOLVE - Parents and carers may wish to sign up to My EVOLVE for an overview of clubs, what's on etc. You can do this from the club or academic support clinic emails sent to you in two easy steps:

1. Click on the link in the email as usual to see clubs/clinics
2. Click 'create account' button.

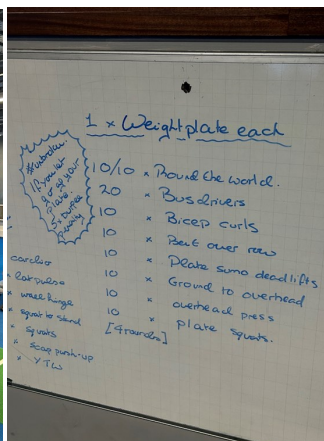
A list of clubs is updated every Friday afternoon on our website here:

**SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACADEMIC SUPPORT CLINICS  
SCHEDULE 2023**

## MORNING FITNESS

Well done to Morning Fitness club students Noah Thomas, Josh Tucker, Fabian Mormech, Sam Cranch, Tom Atkinson, Ed fox and Manuel Mizik for attacking the workout.

Great start to the day!



We then continued, leaving the campus and arriving at the Sedgwick Museum of Earth Sciences. This was fascinating. The university has a collection of around two million objects, including fossils, bones and minerals. The colossal collection was first founded by Dr John Woodward who left approximately 10,000 objects to the university in his will. We attended a talk about evolution and its correlation with geology and the earth until we were able to roam around and look for ourselves. My favourite component of the museum was a gallery which appeared to be overflowing with minerals and crystals displayed with their chemical formulas, not only were they beautiful but it was incredible to see the science behind them.

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After, we split into groups and toured the college with students. We visited libraries larger than you could imagine, an array of dorm areas and the cafeteria. At the end of the trip, we all gathered to talk with an admissions officer to ask questions. He made two points that stuck with me. He highlighted that when writing an application or personal statement it is fundamental that you expand on the experience you have and how that shaped you as a person, this makes you appear to have more value. He also heavily emphasised that Cambridge receives many applications a year simply because the university has a large appeal and not because students are passionate. He claimed it was easy to see in applications when people are dedicated to their subjects and goals. Overall, I enjoyed this trip lots and found it very useful!



## NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIPS WEEK



The National Apprenticeships scheme is hosting a **Year 9 -13 student and parent** careers event coming up on **February 9<sup>th</sup>** during National Apprenticeship Week.

This is an evening of networking with professionals, quiz, prizes, & pizza. Joining them will be **Google, PwC, Deutsche Bank, & KPMG**, with more brands to be announced.

This is an event for students considering the apprenticeship route and want to know more OR those who have applied or looking to apply to these brands and want to ask questions or get tips. For parents who want to know more about apprenticeships and why it could be a good option for their child, this may be the perfect opportunity for them. The brands will be discussing all about their **apprenticeship opportunities**, what life is like working at their company and **current apprentices** will be there to offer advice and speak to students.

For more details please see their advertisement below.




# 'GET INTO' APPRENTICESHIPS

## NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIPS WEEK 2023

**Date:** Thursday 9th Feb  
**Time:** 17:30-20:15  
**Venue:** London Design & Engineering UTC | Live-streamed

Pizza on arrival & a chance to win prizes!

Year 9-13 & parents join us for an evening of networking with employers and gather information about the amazing apprenticeships available to school & college leavers.

Come and network with these brands!



Scan/click to sign up






# Insight Webinars & Apprenticeship opportunities





[@successatschool](https://www.instagram.com/successatschool)



Join Success At School for their insight webinars with leading companies where you'll hear from their employees and apprentices about starting your professional career. They will be hosting webinars with CBRE, National Audit Office, Rolls-Royce, Google, EDF Energy and Jaguar Land Rover. Find out more and sign up through the links below.



National Audit Office

## Accountancy apprenticeships with the National Audit Office

Find out about their successful Chartered Accountancy training scheme open to school leavers and gain a professional qualification combined with real work experience.

**On:** 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 at 6.30 - 7.30 pm

**For:** Students and parents of those in Years 10 to 13

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# CBRE

## Real Estate apprenticeships with CBRE

CBRE has opportunities for everyone and so come and find out what is available at the world's largest Commercial Real Estate firm and help shape the future of the real estate.

**On:** 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 6.30 - 7.30 pm

**For:** Students and parents of those in Years 10 to 13

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## Start your career, your way with Rolls-Royce

Rolls-Royce is solving some of the world's biggest technological challenges – and addressing some of society's most pressing issues – through the delivery of clean, sustainable power.

**On:** 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 at 6.30 - 7.30 pm

**For:** Students and parents of those in Years 10 to 13.

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## Apprenticeships at Jaguar Land Rover - Become the Future of Movement

The evolution of vehicles has never been more exciting. Find out more about apprenticeship opportunities, get hints & tips for your applications, and hear from current apprentices about why they think Jaguar Land Rover is the perfect place to start your career.

**On:** 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 6.30 - 7.30 pm

**For:** Students and parents of those in Years 10 to 13.

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### Energy sector apprenticeships at EDF Energy

If you're passionate about tackling climate change, our Apprenticeship programme offers you the opportunity to develop an exciting career whilst helping progress the UK towards a Net Zero future.

**On:** 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 at 6.30 - 7.30 pm

**For:** Students and parents of those in Years 10 to 13

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### Google Apprenticeships Insight Webinar

Google is an American multinational technology company focusing on search engine technology, online advertising, cloud computing, computer software, quantum computing, e-commerce, artificial intelligence, and consumer electronics.

**On:** 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 at 6.30 - 7.30 pm

**For:** Students and parents of those in Years 10 to 13.

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**Location:** Bridgewater, Gloucester

**Latest opportunities:** Radiation Protection, Project Controls, Maintenance and Operations, DevOps, Nuclear Engineering, Chemistry and Business apprenticeships

[SEARCH/APPLY FOR APPRENTICESHIPS](#)



**Location:** Nationwide

**Latest opportunities:** Multiple School Leaver and Apprenticeship opportunities

[SEARCH/APPLY FOR APPRENTICESHIPS](#)



National Audit Office

**Location:** Newcastle and Greater London

**Latest opportunities:** Apprentice Accountancy Scheme 2023

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**Location:** Nationwide

**Latest opportunities:** Customer Service, Service Technician, Parts Assistant apprenticeships

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**Location:** Nationwide

**Latest opportunities:** Customer Service, Parts Sales Executive, Service Technician, Parts Assistant apprenticeships

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**Location:** Nationwide

**Latest opportunities:** Engineering, Nuclear Engineering, Manufacturing, Software Engineering, Digital & IT, Electrical & Electronics, Supply Chain, Finance, Project Management, Commercial, Materials Engineering, Non-Destructive Testing, Nuclear Business, Aerospace Services, Marketing, Quality Management apprenticeships

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**Location:** Nationwide

**Latest opportunities:** Medicine & Healthcare apprenticeships

[SEARCH/APPLY FOR APPRENTICESHIPS](#)



**Location:** Nationwide

**Latest opportunities:** Building Surveying, Human Resources, Quantity Surveying and Project Management, Environmental Consultancy, Real Estate, Marketing apprenticeships

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## CONSULTATION ON NEW SEND PROVISION IN THE ROYAL BOROUGH

The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead is carrying out public consultation on new provision for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). The proposals are for:

- an Early Years School Readiness Hub, at The Lawns Nursery School in Windsor.
- up to four new Resource Bases, attached to schools in Maidenhead and Windsor, for children and young people with special educational needs.

**FIND OUT MORE ABOUT ALL OF THE PROPOSALS, AND GIVE US YOUR VIEWS HERE**

Please take the time to read about the proposals and let us know what you think.

The consultation is open until midday on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023.



## FURZE PLATT THEATRE

What would you like to see at Furze Platt Theatre?



We have a state-of-the-art theatre space at our school, and we're keen to hold more events outside school for people to enjoy – while also raising more funds for the school. So, what would you like to see?

Please click on the link to give us your feedback, so that we can plan more things for our community. This survey is anonymous and we greatly appreciate your help.

[FURZE PLATT THEATRE EVENTS](#)

Thank you.

Mrs M Holden, Theatre Manager



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to give notice of the AGM of the Furze Platt Senior School Parent, Teacher & Friends Association to be held on Wednesday 1st February, 7pm for 7.30pm start, to be held in the school library. We expect this to take place regardless of any proposed union action that day.

We would very much appreciate your attendance because to meet the Quorum and for votes to be carried, we require a minimum of 6 non-committee individuals to attend.

The PTFA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents/carers, friends, and staff, as members of the PTFA, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to see and hear how the funds you have helped raise have been spent for the benefit of your children at school.

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The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PTFA Committee, who will represent the Association throughout the forthcoming year, September 2023 to August 2024.

Owing to the Chair, Lorraine Hughes, and Secretary, Katrina Sell, stepping down, we are welcoming nominations for the roles right away. Replacement Officers are required this term for a smooth handover in terms of managing the admin, steering events/activities and meeting our Charity obligations. Job descriptions for each role are available, upon request, so please get in touch.

If you are interested in the role of Chair or Secretary, please complete the Nomination Form that accompanies this letter and return by email to [ptfa@furzeplatt.net](mailto:ptfa@furzeplatt.net) by **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January**.

Your current Committee Officers are as follows, who have agreed to stand for 2022 to 2023 and hope to stand in 2023 to 2024.

<b>Chairperson</b>	Lorraine Hughes	<i>Stepping down</i>	<i>Vacant in April 2023</i>
<b>Treasurer</b>	Neil Wilson	Standing	Neil Wilson
<b>Secretary</b>	Katrina Sell	<i>Stepping down</i>	<i>Vacant in February 2023</i>
<b>200 Club Admin</b>	Gillian Healey	Standing	Gillian Healey
<b>Uniform Co-ordinator</b>	Carina Charles	Standing	Carina Charles

The Committee welcomes new ideas and suggestions to raise funds for our children, so please get in touch by email or through Facebook as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you, face-to-face, on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023.

Kind regards,

Lorraine Hughes

Chair, Furze Platt Senior School PTFA

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**AGM NOMINATION FORM - FEB 2023**

**BAR HELPERS  
REQUIRED FOR  
SCHOOL MUSICAL,  
SISTER ACT**



**3 evenings:**

**Tuesday 7th, Wednesday 8th,  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February**



Doors and bar open from 7pm.

Setup from 5pm. Clear up from 9pm

No maths required (we use an electronic till!)

(Shopping and admin being covered by PTFA committee)

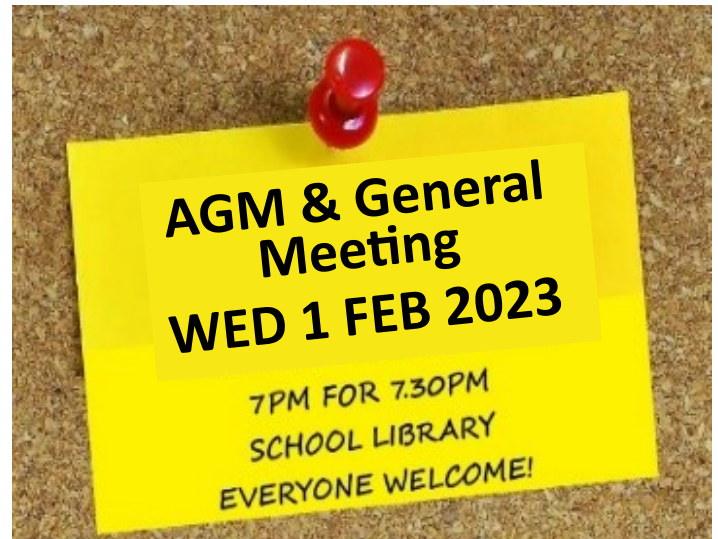
*Get in touch with your availability by email:*

**PTFA@FURZEPLATT.NET**

*or message us on Facebook:*

**PTFA FACEBOOK**

Breaking News... Amazon Smile is discontinuing from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February - we will not accrue any free donations after this date, so, please process your purchases before the 20th. Thank you.



**WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY – 7PM FOR 7.30PM**

**PTFA AGM AND GENERAL MEETING - IN SCHOOL**

**ALL PARENTS/CARERS WELCOME!**

Roles to fill this term: Chair and Secretary

At least 6 participants are required to attend the AGM so Nominations are constituted as Chair and Secretary. To stand as an Officer or to Nominate someone, please get in touch before Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January: [ptfa@furzeplatt.net](mailto:ptfa@furzeplatt.net)

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is now recruiting for September 2023 in many subjects.

If you are passionate about working with young people and enriching their lives, then why not consider a career in teaching?

Imagine how you could develop their knowledge of the fascinating worlds of science, arts, technology, languages or humanities when you become an inspiring teacher.

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We are delighted to be offering School Experience on Thursday 9th February 2023

At Holyport College, one of our five partnership schools

Enjoy a tour of the school, an opportunity to observe teachers and meet students

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**Around 50% of  
children will have  
a sleep issue at  
some point\***

## **WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?**

**In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.**

## **HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?**

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

**03303 530 541**

**Sunday - Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm**  
**Wednesday 9am - 11am**



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\*Survey of 2,000 adults by OnePoll, Aug 2021



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Calling all keen runners....we are recruiting for our newly formed academy which will provide top coaching for beginners by DPS-checked and England Athletics coaches who are also ex-international athletes. If you have done a few parkruns or school races and want to take the next stride forward, join a thriving and successful squad. Members of our elite PB Racing Squad compete for Cookham RC and Windsor, Slough, Eton and Hounslow AC and include county champions and international athletes.



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TRACK

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