

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



## Year 9 Parents Consultation Evening

It was a pleasure to see Year 9 parents and carers on Thursday. Unsurprisingly, conversations focused upon upcoming options choices and which subjects students will study at Key Stage 4.



Further information is available next Thursday with our Options Evening. Parents and carers will learn about the process before being able to tour the various subjects with students and learn more about each. We look forward to supporting students with their choices.

## Maths Challenge

Good luck to all those students in Years 9, 10 and 11 taking the Maths Challenge next week.

## We Will Rock You

Finally, with tickets going fast a reminder to get your tickets for what I am sure will be our fantastic school musical.

Take care,

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



[CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

[ALL EVENTS](#)

## Next Week (Week A)

<b>MON 26</b> JANUARY	PTFA AGM - all welcome	7.30- 8.30pm
<b>MON 26- FRI 6</b> JANUARY - FEBRUARY	Inter-House Sports Week 3	
<b>THU 29</b> JANUARY	Year 9 Options Evening	6pm - 8pm
<b>FRI 30</b> JANUARY	Late Start	9.15am
<b>MON 9</b> FEBRUARY	School Musical (Matinee to Primary Schools)	During day
<b>TUE 10 - THU 12</b> FEBRUARY	School Musical Evening Performances	
<b>FRI 13</b> FEBRUARY	END OF TERM (TERM 3)	3.15pm finish
<b>MON 17 - FRI 21</b> FEBRUARY	FEBRUARY HOLIDAYS	
<b>MON 23</b> FEBRUARY	START OF TERM 4 (Week 2)	

## SCHOOL TERM DATES

## YEAR 12 REPORTS



Reports for Year 12 have been published on Go 4 Schools. Staying up to date is a great way to support your child throughout the year and celebrate their successes.

Please find the links below to help you access your child's report. If you have any issues please contact [reports@furzeplatt.net](mailto:reports@furzeplatt.net)

[VIEW REPORTS](#)

[GUIDANCE TO GRADING](#)

[HOW TO ACCESS GO4SCHOOLS](#)

Mrs K Avery, Data Manager

## LATE START

Friday 30th January

We will have a 9.15am start on Friday 30th January. This is following our Year 9 Options Evening on Thursday 29th January (school will close at the usual time of 3.15pm that day).

Students should go directly to their first lesson for 9.15am; please note there will be no Form Time.



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 26th January 7.30pm



### PTFA AGM

Our next PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association) Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 26th January at 7.30pm in the Library.

At the meeting, we are welcoming new committee members - if this is something you feel you may be interested in, please do come along to find out more!

Thanks to your support, the PTFA has funded a wide range of initiatives, from the Science Fair and Speech Day prizes to the new Sixth Form kitchen, prom night photobooths, and more. Regular fundraising activities like the Nearly New Uniform Sale and the 200 Club make a real difference to our students' experience.

### Nearly New Uniform

A reminder that pre-loved uniform is available to buy from the PTFA - just email the link below with your requests, including size, and we'll check and get back to you as soon as possible. We have most PE items in stock at the moment, with an especially large number of rugby tops.

Grab yourself a bargain!

[CLICK HERE FOR PTFA UNIFORM REQUESTS](#)



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

7.30PM

ALL  
Welcome



SUPPORTING YOUR CHILDREN

## SIXTH FORM INTERVIEWS



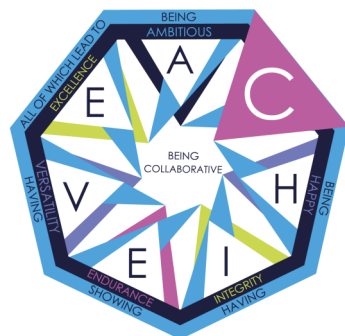
Sixth Form interviews are taking place this week for our internal applicants.

Students should check their emails daily in case we have had to re-schedule at short notice. The interviews are 15 minutes, and we do not expect students to be out of lessons for more than 20 minutes depending on locations. If an appointment needs to be rescheduled, or if a student has had predicted grades that now mean they are eligible for entry, please contact Mrs Wilson, Sixth Form Administrator, in advance via the link below.

[CLICK HERE TO EMAIL SIXTH FORM ADMINISTRATOR](#)

We now have a card entry system to access Sixth Form; student invitations suggest Year 11 come into Sixth Form via the common room and one of the students will let them in.

Good luck to all applicants.





## YEAR 9 OPTIONS EVENING THURSDAY 29TH JANUARY

On Thursday 29th January, we will be holding our 2026 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).

After the talks have finished, which should last for approximately 30 minutes, you will then be able to visit each subject stall in the English/Science 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

I look forward to welcoming you on Thursday 29th January, in the Theatre. The evening is due to end at 8:00pm.

Miss L Stirling



## ELEVATE EDUCATION - FREE WEBINARS

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education

### How You Can Make Technology an Ally

**Tuesday 27th January 6-7pm**

Elevate Education will be holding the next of their free webinars 'Making Technology an Ally' on Tuesday 27th January at 6pm.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR FREE WEBINAR](#)

### Spring Term, 2026 Webinars

- How You Can Help Improve Your Child's Memory  
February 10, 6:00-7:00pm (GMT)
- How You Can Help Your Child Prepare for Exams  
March 3, 6:00-7:00pm (GMT)
- How You Can Support Your Child During Exams  
March 17, 6:00-7:00pm (GMT)

You can also catch up on their previous session on Note Taking via the link below for the next two weeks:

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH NOTE TAKING WEBINAR](#)





YEAR 10  
WORK EXPERIENCE

MON 22 - WED 24 JUNE 2026

IF YOU HAVE ANY  
QUESTIONS,  
CONTACT...

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TO ADD YOUR  
PLACEMENT  
TO UNIFROG:  
**FRIDAY**  
**27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026**

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## YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE IMPORTANT REMINDER

### DEADLINE TO ADD PLACEMENTS - FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

Year 10 Work Experience will take place from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
– Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

The deadline to add your placement to Unifrog is Friday 27<sup>th</sup>  
March. Placements added after this date may not be  
approved in time for Work Experience Week.

How to add your placement:

- Agree the placement with the employer first
- Log in to Unifrog ([www.unifrog.org](http://www.unifrog.org))
- Scroll to 'Placements' and click 'Add a placement'

Once submitted, Unifrog will automatically email the  
employer, parent/carer and school to collect permissions  
and key information. Please ensure all details are entered  
accurately for the process to run smoothly.

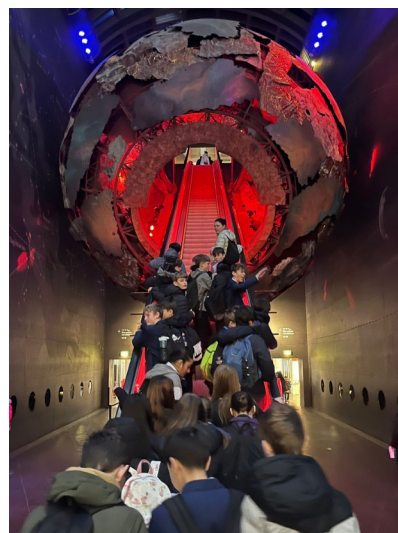
If you have any questions, please contact us via the link  
below:

**CLICK HERE FOR HELP WITH WORK EXPERIENCE**



## YEAR 8 NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM TRIP

The first group of our Year 8 students had a fantastic day  
out last Friday at the Natural History Museum, learning  
about tectonic hazard theory and biological theory (as  
well as seeing some amazing displays!). More groups  
are out on Monday and Thursday next week.





On Saturday, 130 students came into school for Duke of Edinburgh expedition training, giving up their weekend to work towards their Bronze and Silver awards.

Working with instructors from The [School of Outdoors](#), students practised pitching tents, planning food and equipment, navigating teamwork challenges, and building expedition practical skills and confidence.

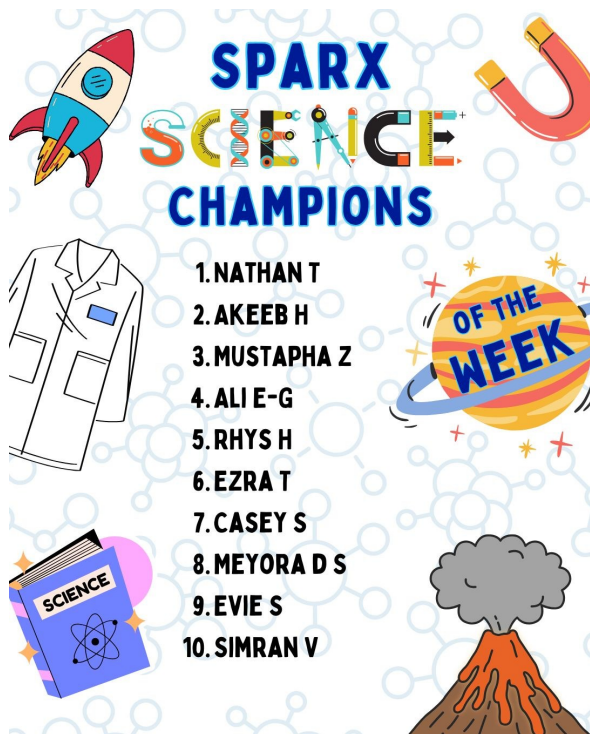
The day was a brilliant example of our ACHIEVE values in action: Ambitious goals, Collaborative teamwork, Endurance through challenge, Versatility in problem-solving and the pursuit of Excellence in everything they do.

Thank you to everyone involved.



## SPARX SCIENCE CHAMPIONS

Well done to our top ten Sparx Science students this week!



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Congratulations to this week's House winners - it's the Hawks!

Great work everyone, keep it up.



## HOUSE REWARD BAKING SESSIONS

This week, the winners of the House Reward sessions for Osprey House enjoyed baking cookies which looked absolutely delicious. We hope they enjoyed eating them as much as they did making them!



Thank you to everyone involved - more House rewards coming soon!









[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS!](#)

Our talented students would like to invite you to this year's production in February - **We Will Rock You** - a high-energy, feel-good musical that celebrates individuality and the power of live music, set to the iconic songs of Queen.

Picture a dystopian future, where originality, free thought, self-expression and live rock music are forbidden. How will the Bohemians - a rebellious group of young people, - change this world? Dare they believe that music holds the power?

Come and join them on their quest to rediscover the lost art of real music, challenge authority and prove that imagination, creativity and standing up for who you are truly matters!

With a live band and outstanding student performances, we can't wait to welcome you!

To whet your appetite, please see our taster rehearsal video below:

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH REHEARSAL VIDEO](#)



## SCHOOL CLUBS

### Term 3: January - February

Parents and carers of students in all year groups will have received invitations to book clubs for their son/daughter next term.

The email was headed Furze Platt Senior School with the email address [evolve.furzeplattsnrvisits@edufocus.co.uk](mailto:evolve.furzeplattsnrvisits@edufocus.co.uk). If you have not yet received an email please check your junk / spam folders.

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.

Please note:

- \* all bookings for Term 3 must be made through the original email invitations
- \* once in the list of clubs or academic support clinics, click on the name of the activity or session you wish to book and press confirm
- \* please do not duplicate club bookings per session
- \* 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 relevant to your son/daughter
- \* if your son or daughter wishes to be removed from a club completely, please email [enrichment@furzeplatt.net](mailto:enrichment@furzeplatt.net) and provide as much notice as possible to allow time for that place to be allocated to someone on the waiting list.

Thank you.

[SCHOOL CLUBS LIST](#)



## EVERY DAY COUNTS

### APPOINTMENT PROTOCOLS

Please can we remind all parents/carers, that we request that medical/dental appointments are ideally taken out of school time, however, the school recognises that it is not always possible.

When a student must attend an appointment during the school day, we ask that they are made where possible after 1.30pm, as to minimise the amount of lost learning.

If you are unable to make an appointment outside of school, please ensure that your child attends either prior to the appointment and/or after the appointment.

Full day absences for appointments will only be authorised with supporting medical documentation.

Thank you for your assistance and support moving forwards.

The Attendance Team

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100%  
TO GET  
100%**

### KINSHIP CARE AND ADOPTION



Are you caring for a child under Kinship Care or have an adopted child?

Kinship carers are family or friends who step up, often during an unexpected crisis, to care for a child when their parents aren't able to.

Kinship caring includes:

- informal kinship care care
- private foster care
- Child Arrangement Orders
- testamentary guardianship
- kinship foster care
- Special Guardianship
- adoption

Furze Platt recognises the commitment of Kinship carers and Adoptive Parents.

There is a growing range of external support available to families include the below resources:

[CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION ON KINSHIP](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR ADOPTION AND SPECIAL GUARDIANSHIP SUPPORT FUND](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR ADOPTION SOUTH EAST](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION ON PACT ADOPTION SUPPORT](#)

If you live in the below Boroughs please find contact details for support:

#### RBWM

[CLICK HERE FOR ACHIEVING FOR CHILDREN KINSHIP SUPPORT](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR THAMES VALLEY ADOPTION](#)

#### Slough

[CLICK HERE FOR KINSHIP SUPPORT IN SLOUGH](#)

#### Buckinghamshire

[CLICK HERE FOR SUPPORT IN BUCKINGHAMSHIRE](#)

For further support for your child please contact

Miss L Lewis, Designated Teacher/ Deputy Headteacher

[Laura.lewis@furzeplatt.net](mailto:Laura.lewis@furzeplatt.net)





## SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very proud of our school and of our students, and we firmly believe that high standards of uniform, behaviour, being properly equipped and regular attendance give every student the very best opportunity to learn well and achieve their full potential.

Unfortunately, over recent weeks, some of students have not been meeting our high expectations regarding school uniform. In particular, we have noted students wearing false eyelashes, trainers, skirts that are too short and jewellery that is not permitted.

Time that should be spent focusing on learning and celebrating achievements is currently being taken up reminding students of basic uniform expectations.

We would like to thank the many parents and students who consistently follow the Uniform Policy and take pride in their appearance. When we return in January, **regular uniform checks will be conducted**. We ask for your support in maintaining our high standards by ensuring that your child has the correct uniform and wears it appropriately every day. Please also ensure that all items are clearly named so that any lost property can be returned to its owner.

Please note that we reserve the right to confiscate items that do not form part of the school uniform, and students may be sent home to change if their uniform is deemed unacceptable.

We have worked closely with our suppliers to ensure that our school uniform is practical, affordable and of good quality, and we appreciate parents' support in maintaining these high standards. The guidance below is intended to help ensure that inappropriate items are not purchased. If you have any queries, please contact the school before making any uniform purchases.

### Compulsory Uniform

- **White Shirt** May be purchased from any retailer but must have a top button that can be fastened. Shirts must be worn tucked into skirts or trousers.
- **School Tie\*** House colours, Years 7–11. Must be purchased from Hawkinsport.
- **School Blazer\*** Blue blazer with the school crest.
- **School Skirt\*** Must be purchased from Hawkinsport. The official school skirt is the only permitted style and must reach to just above the knee.
- **Trousers** May be purchased from any retailer but must be plain black, straight-leg and smartly tailored. Denim, cotton jean-style, ribbed, skinny-leg or flared trousers are not permitted.

- **Shorts** Plain black, straight-leg and smartly tailored knee length shorts. Denim, cotton jean-style, skinny-leg or flared shorts are not permitted.

- **Socks** Dark colours only.

- **Tights** Black or natural only.

**Shoes** Black, smart-style shoes only. No logos, trainers or trainer-style shoes, canvas shoes, heels, boots, clogs or backless shoes are permitted.

\*Items marked with an asterisk are available from **Hawkinsport, Bourne End**. [Click here to see the online shop](#). There are free weekly deliveries to school on Thursdays during term time. Please place your order and state the student's name and form at checkout.



We would also like to remind parents and carers that any **acrylic or false nails, coloured nail varnish or false eyelashes** applied over the holiday period must be **removed prior to students returning to school**. As outlined in our policy, nail varnish must be clear, and nail extensions or false nails and false eyelashes are not appropriate for the school environment and can pose a safety risk, particularly during practical lessons such as PE. We appreciate your support in ensuring that students return to school ready to learn and fully compliant with our policy.

Any student not meeting these uniform standards (for example, wearing inappropriate skirts, trainers, leggings or jewellery) will be asked to rectify this promptly. Your cooperation in ensuring that your child arrives at school in the correct uniform is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support.

### REMINDER: LAPTOP-ONLY DEVICES FOR LEARNING

As a reminder, our school is a *laptop school* for learning. iPads and tablet devices are **not permitted** for use in lessons.

Please ensure your child leaves their iPad or tablet at home and attends school each day with their **laptop and charger**, fully prepared for learning.

Thank you for your ongoing reinforcement of our school standards which will help support your son/daughter in their lessons.

## LOST PROPERTY

If your child has come home without their belongings please ask them to come to lost property.

If items are named we can get them back to their owners but we have a lot of unnamed clothing including PE kits, trousers, white shirts, lots of coats, shoes, trainer, hats and scarves.

If you have not done so already please can you ensure all the above are clearly marked with your child's name.

Thank you.

**PLEASE NAME ALL  
ITEMS**



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## SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILDREN ONLINE

This year Furze Platt has purchased access to an online safeguarding information platform for all parents. Our Online Safety Hub provides parents with a wealth of information including in the following areas:

- How to keep your child safe online
- How to ensure best safety features are implemented on social media platforms
- Understanding different social media platforms and their potential risks
- How to manage screen time with your child
- How to safeguard your child from online predators
- How to monitor your child's online activity

[CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE SAFETY HUB](#)

As part of this platform parents also all have free access to parental controls on 2 devices within your home. These devices are advised to be mobile phones and/or home laptops, the company advise against placing on laptops bring brought into school as it may conflict with the filtering and monitoring systems used on the school network.

This can be accessed via the link below and will enable parents to:

- Filter content
- Monitor your child's online activity
- Set time limits for online use

[CLICK HERE FOR FREE ACCESS TO CONTROLS](#)

We hope you find these resources useful for supporting your child with their use of the internet.

Miss L Lewis, Deputy Headteacher - Interventions and Safeguarding





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AfC Virtual School  
'Together we can achieve!'

## Are you raising the child of a relative or a friend?

Whether you have a special guardianship order, child arrangement order or no legal order in place, you and your child are eligible for support and advice to help with education.

This could include:

- Pupil Premium funding
- advice and support from AfC Virtual School
- advice and support from other organisations



For more information, please contact Rebecca Lloyd at AfC Virtual School or the designated teacher in your school.

Email: [rebecca.lloyd@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:rebecca.lloyd@achievingforchildren.org.uk)

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**i** Information for young people

**NHS**  
Berkshire Healthcare  
NHS Foundation Trust

## In Year 11?

### Are your vaccinations up to date?



As you get ready to leave school and meet new people, you might have a higher chance of catching preventable diseases if you haven't finished all your childhood vaccinations

Do you remember having your vaccinations in years 8 and 9?

If unsure, you can visit us at our next session at Furze Platt Senior School on

20 January 2026 and we can discuss this with you

📞 0300 365 0077 (Mon to Fri 8am – 4pm)

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[www.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk](http://www.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk)



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weekdays 9am to 5pm  
<https://www.gems4health.com>  
[gems.4health@nhs.net](mailto:gems.4health@nhs.net)

GEMS works with parents and carers, sharing understanding of autism & ADHD and collaborating on strategies that respect each child or young person's ways of being in the home environment.  
GEMS supports families living or has a registered GP in Slough, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead and Bracknell Forest.

## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND COURSES

**AuDHD - 7pm to 9pm**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

**Autistic Burnout - 7:30 to 9:30pm**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Sleep - Autism and ADHD, 7-9pm**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Sensory Processing - 7 to 9pm**  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Interception - 7 to 9pm**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026

**Barriers to School, Can't Go, Not Won't Go - 10am to 12noon**  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Visit our website to book your space - [www.Gems4Health.com](http://www.Gems4Health.com)



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**HENLEYARTSTRAIL<sup>2026</sup>**

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 \* [info@trackstart.co.uk](mailto:info@trackstart.co.uk)  
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## FREE FUN GIRLS SESSION



**HAWKS  
 BMX  
 CLUB**

**SUN JAN 25<sup>TH</sup> 2026**

**1.00-2.00PM**

Bike and equipment will be provided and 10 girls can be accommodated, so places are limited. If it's successful we will aim to run more sessions throughout 2026.

Girls need to be able to ride an ordinary bike and stand up and pedal.

Girls also need to wear long trousers, ideally jeans. NO Leggings.

- ✓ Girls Only Session
- ✓ BMX exercises
- ✓ Skills & BMX techniques
- ✓ Fun games & mini laps



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Registration via email  
[hello@hawksbmx.co.uk](mailto:hello@hawksbmx.co.uk)

The Free Session will be run by a  
 Female Coach, Harriet Alexander



# UPCOMING EVENTS

SCAN ME! >>



## Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>: COMEDY NIGHT

Join us for another evening of hilarious comedy, live on our Dawkes stage. We are joined once again by our compere extraordinaire, Dave Chawner, and a host of comedic acts: Nik Coppin, Matt Green and Roger Monkhouse. These comedy nights sell out fast so grab your tickets now!

## CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT : Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

Join us at Dawkes for a fun-filled Quiz Night in aid of Brass for Africa hosted by Rob Castell and Zoe Lister. Rob is a musician, actor and writer who has written songs for E4, CBBC, Radio 4 and numerous new musical theatre productions.

Zoë is a Writer, Actor, Voiceover Artist and Presenter and over the last decade has written for children's TV shows for Channel 4, CBBC and Netflix. This will be a very fun evening for a great cause!



## THE ANDY MEARS ORCHESTRA (OPEN REHEARSAL) : ONGOING DATES\*

Ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes at a big band rehearsal? The Andy Mears Orchestra is throwing open the doors and inviting you to pull up a chair, grab a drink, and experience the magic of music-making in its raw, unpolished form.

\* FEB 2<sup>ND</sup> / MAR 2<sup>ND</sup> / APR 6<sup>TH</sup> / CHECK WEBSITE FOR MORE

## EDDY SMITH & THE 507 ACOUSTIC TRIO : Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

A powerhouse ensemble bringing a rich blend of Americana, Soul, Blues, and Country. With his signature husky voice and soulful style, Eddy Smith leads the group through songs full of grit, groove and heart, evoking the spirit of Joe Cocker, Marcus King, and The Rolling Stones.



## Feb 19<sup>th</sup> : COLTRANE & HARTMAN ON IMPULSE!

An unforgettable evening of jazz as saxophonist Mark Lockheart and vocalist Marvin Muoneké revisit the famous album when John Coltrane teamed up with vocalist Johnny Hartman to explore their favourite romantic standards. Joined by a top-flight rhythm section of Gary Crosby (bass), Alex Webb (piano) and Alfonso Vitale (drums).

## EMILY FRANCIS TRIO : Mar 12<sup>th</sup>

The Emily Francis Trio knows no bounds as they continue to wow audiences across the country. Featuring Emily on keys along with bass maestro Trevor Boxall and drum superstar Jamie "Drumcat" Murray, the band pride themselves on delivering a high energy show guaranteed to keep you on your toes.



## Mar 21<sup>st</sup>: REBECCA POOLE

Join highly acclaimed singer-songwriter - Rebecca Poole during her UK tour of her new album 'Play On'. Enjoy Rebecca performing some of the world's greatest love songs, paralleled with her most popular self-penned originals, live on the Dawkes Stage.

## SIMPLY BILLY JOEL : Apr 18<sup>th</sup>

Introducing a brand-new show from members of Simply Dan alongside friends from the London session musician scene: Simply Billy Joel. We're excited to welcome the band onto the Dawkes stage to perform music from Billy Joel's 50-year repertoire, with a special focus on his early work.



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