

FURZE PLATT FOCUS

Newsletter - Issue #79.6



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Term 5 Congratulations

Thank you for all your support since Easter. Whilst this term has been focused upon the examination season, as these newsletters evidence there has been an enormous amount occurring at FPSS - whether that be sporting success, competition excellence or the range of clubs and visits the school offers. In addition, we were able to share Ofsted Inspectors' thoughts following their visit back in March.



It has been great to see students' Term 5 contributions recognised this week in a series of events and assemblies. Many congratulations to everyone who has received a comment, nomination or award.

Examinations

While Half Term is a break for many of us for our examination students it offers a chance to refresh and revise in readiness for the examinations after the break. Students have made a great start, so it is about keeping going. Thanks for all the support families are providing at home.

Farewells

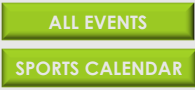
The end of Term 5 also marks the last day at FPSS for a couple of colleagues. We say goodbye to Sally Jacobs from our Technology Team and one of our Learning Support Assistants, Aliyah Ashfaq. We wish them every success as she moves onto pastures new.

Trips and Visits

This week has seen students enjoy visits to Epping Forest and Royal Holloway University. The end of the week has also seen students on their Bronze and Silver Duke of



UPCOMING EVENTS



UPCOMING EVENTS - WEEK A

MON 25 - FRI 29 MAY	May Holidays
MON 1 JUNE	Start of Term 6 (Week A)
SUN 7 - WED 10 JUNE	Year 8 Wales Conservation trip
TUE 16 JUNE	Year 5 Open Morning (1)
WED 17 JUNE	Year 11 Graduation
WED 17 - FRI 19 JUNE	Silver DofE Qualifying Expedition
THU 18 JUNE	Year 11 Prom
THU 18 - FRI 19 JUNE	Bronze DofE Qualifying Expedition
FRI 19 JUNE	INSET Day
MON 22 - FRI 26 JUNE	Year 10 Work Experience Week
THU 25 JUNE	Year 12 Taster Day (1)
FRI 26 JUNE	Year 12 Taster Day (2)
MON 29 - FRI 3 JUNE JULY	Year 12 Work Experience Week
TUE 30 JUNE	Year 12 Careers Day
TUE 30 JUNE	Year 6 Taster Day (1)
WED 1 JULY	Year 6 Taster Day (2)
WED 1 - FRI 10 JULY	Year 10 Turtle Conservation Project, Greece
THU 2 JULY	Performing Arts Summer Showcase
THU 2 JULY	Year 5 Open Morning (2)
FRI 3 JULY	INSET Day

SCHOOL TERM DATES

Edinburgh practice expeditions. I am sure they will return tired but having many memories to share.

Greenpower Racing Team

Good luck to our Greenpower team who will be racing at Goodwood and Castle Coombe over the next couple of weekends.

Finally, I wish you all a lovely Bank Holiday and Half Term.

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

SUMMER UNIFORM



Dear Parents and Carers,

You will be aware that as we enter Term 6 and/or the hotter summer weather, we review our policy on blazers. We are therefore writing to share that from the start of Term 6 blazers will not be compulsory.

However, importantly please note:

- All other aspects of uniform remain unchanged (e.g. shirts tucked in, skirt lengths, jewellery etc.). If students require an extra layer, then the blazer must be that first layer (before school jumpers or coats – hoodies remain banned).

We would be grateful if you reinforce these expectations with your children. C1s will continue to be issued for uniform infringements.

Please do encourage children to bring water bottles and keep cool as temperatures rise.

We will return to compulsory blazers and regular school uniform in September.



[CLICK HERE TO READ OUR OFSTED REPORT](#)

[CLICK HERE TO SEE OUR VIDEO](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Start of Term 6: Monday 1st June

INSET Days: Friday 19th June and Friday 3rd July

We are closed next week for the May holidays, school will reopen on Monday 1st June for a prompt 8.30am arrival.

A reminder that next term we have two INSET days which will allow staff to work on activities in preparation for September and the new academic year.

On these days the school will be closed for students:

- Friday 19th June (please note that there is one student doing an examination on this day – this exam will still go ahead)
- Friday 3rd July

Thank you for your support as we continue to look to provide the highest quality of education for FPSS students.

YEAR 12 UCAS MEETING

THURSDAY 4TH JUNE, 5PM

UCAS

YEAR
12

We recently launched the 2027 university application (UCAS) process with our Year 12 students.

We would like to invite any Year 12 parents and carers who would like to know more about the UCAS process to a presentation in school. The majority of the information will concern university and higher education but there will be information on apprenticeships and alternative routes to higher education.

The presentation will take place on Thursday June 4th, starting at 5pm in the school Theatre. In order to help us plan for the event, we would be grateful if parents/carers could complete the following form:

[PLEASE CONFIRM ATTENDANCE HERE](#)

We look forward to seeing you there.

Mr P Ging, Head of Sixth Form

Ms A Palocsai, Assistant Head of Sixth Form (Year 12)

PTFA PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SALE

SATURDAY 4TH JULY 11AM –1PM

Our PTFA invite you to this year's Pre-Loved Uniform Sale, to be held in our Music Department.

If you have any donations of clean, branded schoolwear, please can you bring them in to Reception. Thank you.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SALE

SATURDAY 4TH JULY 11AM - 1PM
IN THE MUSIC BLOCK

PLEASE BRING ANY DONATIONS OF CLEAN BRANDED SCHOOL UNIFORM (INCLUDING TIES) AND FPSS PE KIT TO RECEPTION DURING TERM TIME. THANK YOU.

Come along, bring your bags and grab a bargain!



Create less waste & STAY HYDRATED



BRING IN A NAMED WATER BOTTLE TO SCHOOL!



YEAR 5 OPEN MORNING SCHOOL TOURS



We are delighted to invite prospective students and families to our Year 5 Open Morning Tours!

- **Tuesday 16th June | 9:05–10:10am**
- **Thursday 2nd July | 9:05–10:10am**

Please call 01628 625308 (during term time) to book a tour. Tours must be booked in advance.

A small number of SEND tours will also be available on these dates - please specify your preference when booking.

MAIN SCHOOL OPEN EVENING 2026

Thursday 1st October

6:00–8:00pm

Furze Platt Senior School

We welcome prospective parents and carers to come and explore our school, meet staff and students, discover our curriculum and experience life at FPSS.

All welcome, no booking required.

Please share with anyone you think may be interested, thank you.



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Ostled, March 2026

TERM 5 STAR STUDENTS



Term 5 has been another fantastic term across the school, and we are incredibly proud of our Star Students in each year group.

These students have consistently demonstrated our ACHIEVE values through their ambition, integrity, collaboration, and commitment to excellence.

Whether through outstanding effort in lessons, positive contributions to school life, supporting their peers, or showing determination to improve, each student has made a lasting impression on staff and fellow students alike.

SPARX SCIENCE – WINNERS!

Huge congratulations to our Sparx Science Term 5 winners! These students have demonstrated impressive determination and progress.

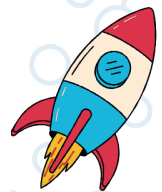
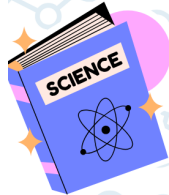
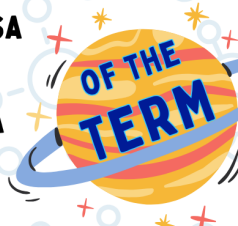
We're incredibly proud of their hard work and enthusiasm for Science. Well done to all our Term 5 winners and to our weekly winners for their ongoing dedication to learning...keep it up!



SPARX SCIENCE CHAMPIONS



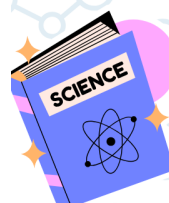
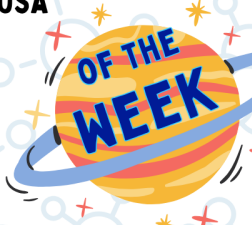
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4. SIMRAN VADHER
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6. SIMON LASMANIS
7. AYAAN TARIQ
8. SEB SUTEHALL
9. MARWAN FARHI
10. EZRA TEKEBA



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8. MADIYYAH KHAN
9. ZOE DAVIES
10. GIDEON AU



SCIENCE ALUMNI TALK

MEET ZOE HOPSON

Monday 8th June 3:30 - 4:30pm in S5



We are excited to welcome back former student Zoe Hopson for a special Science Alumni Talk!

Zoe will be sharing insights into her university biochemistry studies, undergraduate research project and current role as a microbiology laboratory technician testing pharmaceutical drug samples for contamination.

Topics include:

- Studying biochemistry at university
- Working in scientific laboratories
- Research into proteins and frog embryo DNA
- Careers in microbiology and pharmaceuticals

Open to students in Years 10–13.

Year 10 students must sign up in advance via Evolve (Term 6 clubs – drop in clubs).

No sign-up required for Year 12 students.

A fantastic opportunity for students interested in science, research and future STEM careers!

SCIENCE ALUMNI TALK



Join us for a special session with **Zoe Hopson**, a former FPSS student who's returning to share insights into her university biochemistry project and current employment as a laboratory technician.



DATE:
MON 8 JUNE 2026

TIME:
3:30 – 4:30PM

LOCATION:
S5

Key talking points:

• Hear from a microbiology laboratory technician about testing pharmaceutical drug samples for contamination.

• Hear about studying biochemistry and science at university, including lectures, workshops, and time in laboratories.

• Hear about how to complete an undergraduate research project.

• Zoe's project was about finding out whether certain proteins in developing frog embryos attach to a special shape of DNA called an "i-motif."

Open to all students in Years 10–13.



YEAR 10 STUDENTS WILL NEED A GUARDIAN TO SIGN UP IN ADVANCE ON EVOLVE (UNDER TERM 6 CLUBS – VIEW DROP IN CLUBS). NO SIGN UP REQUIRED FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS.

WHAT DID OFSTED SAY ABOUT US?

Pupils are able to participate in a range of clubs and activities before, during and after school so that all pupils have access to enrichment opportunities regardless of their individual circumstances.

Ofsted, March 2026



SCHOOL CLUBS - TERM 6

The emails to book clubs for next term have been sent out today (Friday 22nd May). Please do not delete these emails as more clubs may be added. Please check junk/spam folders if the email from edufocus (evolve.furzeplattsnrvisits@edufocus.co.uk) is not found. To sign up for My EVOLVE for club overviews, follow these steps:

1. Click the link in the email.
2. Press the 'create account' button.

CLUBS LIST

How can...
...my child take part in clubs and activities at FPSS?

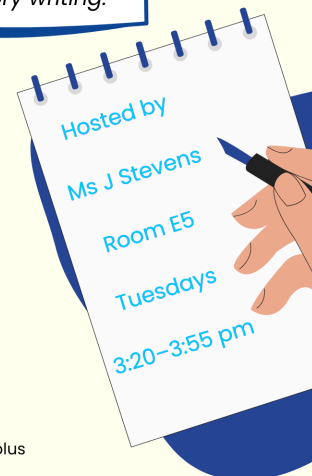


KS3 Free Writing Club

Crafting the Writers of Tomorrow

Aims & Benefits of short story writing:

- To create stories or writing for readers that entertain
- To impact lives
- To influence readers' creative imagination and explore thoughts inside your head
- Fosters Teamwork and Collaboration
- Enhances Creativity through Brainstorming
- Provides Accountability and Structure
- Skills Development and Peer Learning plus Emotional Support and Community.
- Builds Confidence and Reducing Pressure
- Models Writing Processes



GARDENING CLUB SPRING CELEBRATION

Gardening Club celebrated the end of spring in a very tasty way - by harvesting and enjoying homemade ox eye daisy fritters and pancakes!

A huge thank you to Mrs Hirst for sharing her expertise and to the Food Technology department for the use of the kitchen. Gardening Club is a fantastic opportunity for students to get hands-on outdoors, learn new skills and work towards the skills or volunteering section of the DofE. We meet every Tuesday after school in S12, open to all years.



SAMSUNG SOLVE FOR TOMORROW COMPETITION

Many congratulations to Amy Shuttleworth and Alice Young (Year 9) whose success was celebrated in the local press.



**Samsung
Solve
for Tomorrow**

‘Students from Furze Platt Senior School have reached the national final of the Samsung Solve for Tomorrow Competition in London, having been selected as one of just nine finalist teams from over 2,000 young people who took part across the UK.

Year 9 students Alice Young and Amy Shuttleworth represented the school, showcasing an innovative limb band and app designed to proactively prevent injury using smart technology. Their idea demonstrated an impressive combination of creativity, technical understanding, and a clear focus on solving real-world problems.

Earlier this year, as part of their journey to the final, the school welcomed visitors from Samsung and partners Tech We Can and Hark, who ran a hands-on workshop to help students turn their ideas into working prototypes. A wider group of pupils took part in the session, which focused on tackling real-world problems through creative thinking and practical design. Throughout the competition, the students were also mentored by the Head of B2B Customer Sales at Samsung, who supported them in developing and refining their idea.

On the day of the final, the students pitched their idea to a panel of industry professionals, gaining valuable experience in presenting and discussing their work. The event was attended by senior figures from Samsung UK, representatives from the Greater London Authority and local MP Joshua Reynolds. Their project received the highest score in the Smarter Sport category for their age group, reflecting the quality of their idea and teamwork.

A comment from Annie Towell who led the competition at the school as part of their More Able programme – “We are incredibly proud of the students’ hard work, innovation and commitment throughout the competition, which led them to the final. They consistently demonstrated our school ACHIEVE values with the ambition, collaboration and endurance they showed throughout their journey. Alice and Amy represented the school with professionalism and maturity and are a credit to the Furze Platt community”.



GOLD DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD WINNER

A huge congratulations to alumnus Benedict Scott, on completing his Gold Duke of Edinburgh’s Award and attending the prestigious Gold Award Celebration at Buckingham Palace this week.

Well done, Benedict - what a fantastic and well-deserved celebration!



ELEVATE EDUCATION

FREE WEBINARS



Elevate is an award-winning organisation that has been working with our school to help your sons and daughters become more effective learners. Your child’s ability to self-motivate, manage their time and prepare effectively will be a crucial factor to guarantee their success over this academic year.

Join Elevate for their webinar series where they will show parents how to best support your child and access resources from previous recordings via the link below.

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



**Leavers' Hoodies:
collection Tuesday
2nd June**

**Graduation:
Wednesday 17th
June at 4.30pm**

**Year 11 Prom:
Thursday 18th
June**

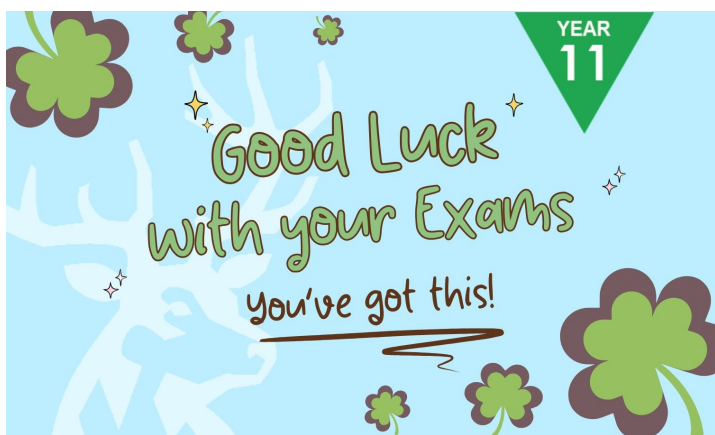
**Exam Phase 2 – Friday
22.5.26 – Wednesday 17.6.25 (inclusive)**

From Friday 22nd May Exam Phase 2 starts. During this phase students will attend their exams and the associated revision sessions. When they are not in an exam or a revision session they will have Home Study, where they will be expected to be working at home preparing for their next exam. Access to the library to study during phase 2 is possible for limited number of students, however permission will need to be given by myself or Mr Jones in advance.

Year 11 Shirt Signing will be held during P3 (in the main hall) on Tuesday 2nd June, following the Physics Paper 1 exam.

If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr Jones.

Mr J Dollery, Assistant Headteacher



Royal Holloway, University of London

Year 10 students visited the Royal Holloway, University of London for an exciting opportunity to experience university life first-hand.



During the visit, students:

- Toured the campus
- Learnt about higher education and university life
- Met and spoke with current university students
- Explored future pathways and aspirations

Trips like this help students broaden their horizons and begin thinking about the exciting opportunities available after their GCSEs.

What a brilliant day of inspiration, ambition and discovery



Tower of London

Our Year 10 students had an amazing time visiting the Tower of London last week!

The trip gave our students a deeper understanding of the Tower's fascinating role and features in British history. It was a fantastic opportunity to bring learning to life and enrich their knowledge beyond the classroom with workshops on the Normans and a tour of the Tower of London.

Students will now be able to apply what they learned directly to their GCSE studies, especially the Tower of London unit.



YEAR 8 PSHE: RSE

As part of your child's education at Furze Platt Senior School, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health, Economic (PSHE) education programme. PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy and productive lives.

I am writing to let you know that next half term, your child's class will be taking part in lessons which will focus on the relationships and sex education (RSE) areas of the programme. RSE at Furze Platt will follow the Department for Education's statutory guidance that came into effect September 2020. RSE lessons in Year 8 will include teaching about: types of relationships; forming and maintaining friendships; romantic relationships; consent; managing relationship and friendship breakdowns; and online safety, including the use and abuse of social media.

The purpose of inclusive RSE at FPSS is to provide knowledge and understanding of safe and healthy relationships based on love and respect. This is to encourage the development of safe and healthy relationships in later life. The unit will equip students with the knowledge and skills to make informed and healthy choices; to build their confidence and skills to deal with situations they may encounter; to help them to stay safe and know where and how to ask for help if needed.

PSHE education is taught throughout the school in every year group and is monitored and reviewed regularly by staff and governors at Furze Platt Senior School. All PSHE takes place in a safe, inclusive learning environment and is underpinned by our school ethos and values,

If you would like more information about Furze Platt Senior School's relationship and sex education policy, it can be found on our website (link on the next page) or please email lisa.stirling@furzeplatt.net

Miss L Stirling, Head of PSHE

CAN YOU HELP?

Are you a small business owner and would like to come and talk to our Sixth Form students about your experience of launching your business?

If you are interested, please email us via one of the links below. We look forward to hearing from you!



[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO EMAIL CLAIRE BEALE](#)

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO EMAIL AMY PALOCSAI](#)



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If you would like more information about Furze Platt Senior School's relationship and sex education policy, it can be found on our website via the link below.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents. If you would like to find out more or discuss any concerns, please get in contact.

Miss L Stirling, Head of PSHE

[PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP AND SEX EDUCATION POLICY](#)



On Thursday we were delighted to have MP Joshua Reynolds in to speak to Year 12 Politics students. As Furze Platt alumnus, it was fantastic to have Joshua back in the classrooms he himself sat in several years ago. Pupils had the opportunity to hear his journey from studying Politics at Furze Platt, to a few years later, representing Maidenhead in Parliament.

Students asked a series of thought provoking, and challenging questions of the MP and developed their understanding of the role of an MP, the challenges they face and parliamentary procedure.

A huge thank you to Mr Reynolds for providing students with this opportunity.





WEEKLY
HOUSE
POINTS



7291



7847



7380



6404

HOUSE WINNERS THIS WEEK



Our Falcons are this week's winners for the second week in a row!

Well done to you all.



BBC RADIO 4 - 'ANY QUESTIONS' TO BE HELD AT



THANK YOU



We would like to say a huge thank you to Tesco Express, whose representative came to our school to donate free fruit to our students today which was distributed in the hall during Break 2 (pictured with Headteacher's PA Mrs Phillips).



We are delighted to announce that we will be hosting **BBC Radio 4's** flagship political discussion programme **Any Questions?** in our theatre on Friday 10 July, and we would be pleased to invite you to attend.

The programme will be broadcast live and features a panel of four speakers responding to questions from the audience. It offers a unique opportunity to engage with politicians, policymakers, writers and public thinkers.

The panel changes each week, and the show is broadcast live on Radio 4 immediately after the 8.00pm news bulletin – giving you the chance to put your own question to the panel. Question cards will be available to complete on arrival.

Doors open at 6.30pm and close promptly at 7.15pm. The live broadcast will take place from 8.00pm to 9.00pm. Admission is by ticket only via the link below.

Please note that security checks will be carried out on entry. Any attendees under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Recording and photography during the broadcast are not permitted.

Question cards will be available to complete on arrival. We very much hope you can join us.

To book your free ticket on a first-come, first-served basis, please click on this link:

[PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR YOUR FREE TICKET TO BBC RADIO 4'S ANY QUESTIONS](#)

We very much hope you can join us.

Mrs J Bartram, Theatre Manager



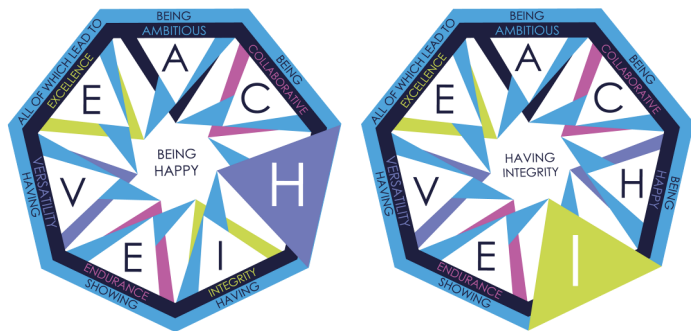
VARUN GROVER LIVE

STAND-UP COMEDY

AT FPSS THEATRE!



BOOK TICKETS FOR 'LOVE DEATH AND KETCHUP' HERE



YEAR 8 IMMUNISATIONS



The NHS Berkshire Immunisation team will be visiting Furze Platt Senior School on Thursday 18th June to administer the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine.

Please complete the consent form for your child using the links in the letter sent via Parentmail and include your school's unique code BK137740

Kind regards

School Medical Officer

MENINGITIS AWARENESS



Following the recent Meningitis B outbreak in Reading it is important that we ensure our community is safe. Berkshire NHS Trust have sent us the following information to share:

****MENINGITIS OUTBREAK – IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS****

For any information about the recent meningitis cases in Reading please visit:

NHS website

[CLICK HERE FOR NHS WEBSITE](#)

or see the information available from two charities who offer free support via their websites and helplines:

The Meningitis Research Foundation

Helpline UK 080 8800 3344

[CLICK HERE FOR MENINGITIS RESEARCH FOUNDATION](#)

Meningitis Now

Helpline 0808 80 10 388

[CLICK HERE FOR MENINGITIS NOW ORG](#)

[OR CLICK HERE TO EMAIL MENINGITIS NOW ORG](#)



ASH research group states that 20% of 11–17-year-olds have tried vaping, an estimated 1.1 million. 7% of teenagers currently vape.

5 things you need to know:

The law

It's illegal to purchase nicotine vapes for under-18s in the UK. It is also now illegal for shops to sell single use disposable vapes. Possessing or using vapes with THC or Spice can also lead to legal trouble, including criminal charges as these are Class B drugs.

Vaping is not risk-free

While vaping is often marketed as safer than smoking, it still carries health risks - especially for young people. Vapes can contain harmful substances including nicotine, which is addictive as well as other chemicals and substance

How to help your child

Talk openly and early with your child

Start conversations about vaping early, in a calm and non-judgmental way. Ask what they know, share facts, and listen to their views. This builds trust and keeps communication open.

Be aware of the signs of vaping

Look out for signs like sweet or fruity smells, increased thirst, nosebleeds, or changes in behaviour. Vapes can be small and easy to hide, so stay observant.

[CLICK HERE FOR SCHOOL SAFEGUARDING TEAM](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR TALK TO FRANK WEBSITE](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR NHS ADDICTION SUPPORT PAGE](#)



What is Omoggle?

Omoggle is a new anonymous video chat site where users are paired with strangers and rated on their appearance by an AI algorithm. It's become a popular platform within the "mogging" trend where people are compared and ranked based on their looks - which has been growing quickly across platforms like Twitch and TikTok.

Why is it a concern?

The site's anonymous nature means young people can end up in an unmoderated space being judged on how they look, with no oversight. This kind of content is linked to body image issues, low self-esteem, and bullying, and it's particularly concerning for younger, more impressionable users.

Please be vigilant of your child's online activity and have open dialogue with them around what they are accessing.

For further advice and guidance the Furze Platt online safety hub has a wealth of information around keeping children safe online

As part of our online safety work Furze Platt purchases an online safety support platform for parents.

The Online Safety Hub is a online resource with lots of expert advice and guidance to help you manage your child's safety online as a parent.

It includes information on the latest hot topics when it comes to keeping children safe, such as how to manage your child's screen time, understanding the latest gaming platforms, what they mean for your child's safety and lots more.

Furze Platt families are offered a free Qustodio account facilitating parental controls on any 2 devices and free premium access for 30 days. This will allow you to gain more visibility on what's going on in your child's online world. You will have the ability to block dangerous content, introduce screen-free schedules, receive alerts for inappropriate content, keep tabs on their location and more.

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS FREE QUSTODIO ACCOUNT](#)

Miss L Lewis, Designated Safeguarding Lead



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Pupils know that they are well cared for and that they are safe in school.

- Ofsted, March 2026



Furze Platt Senior School offers:

Teachers know their subjects well. They explain content in a clear and engaging manner.

- Ofsted, March 2026

- ▶ An inclusive education which is broad, stimulating and rewarding for all.
- ▶ Superb academic, sporting and arts facilities which create an aspirational learning environment for students.
- ▶ Our Tutor Groups to give students identity and belonging and includes dedicated staff, mentors and leaders who will support and help with students' development.
- ▶ Our Houses to encourage friendly competition and a sense of community.



How to find us:

Furze Platt Senior School,
Furze Platt Road,
Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 7NQ

LEISURE FOCUS

GYM ONLY STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

Available 1st May – 31st August 2026

£50 SINGLE SITE ONLY
FOR 6 WEEKS
Furze Platt Leisure Centre



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What's on
at Woolley Firs

Berkshire
Buckinghamshire
& Oxfordshire
Wildlife Trust

Saturday Wildlife Clubs – monthly

Cherry Garden Lane, Maidenhead, SL6 3LJ

Be a Wildlife Warrior and learn how to look after nature. A monthly wildlife club for children/ young people.

- Learn about wildlife - animals and plants
- Learn how to increase and protect wildlife
- Develop scientific knowledge and bush craft skills as you build up experience. Make new 'Team Wilder' friends

8-11 yrs – 10.00am – 12.00pm - Young Rangers
11-17 yrs 1.00pm – 3.00pm – Teen Rangers
£8.00 per session

9 May 13 June 18 July

Visit our website to book or for more info:

- bbowt.org.uk/events
- Email: berkshireducation@bbowt.org.uk

bbowt.org.uk

More nature everywhere

GIRLS GOLF ROCKS

England Golf logo

Girls Golf Rocks encourages beginner girls aged 5-18 to learn and play golf in a fun and friendly way.

- £60 for six hours activity
- No equipment required
- No experience necessary

LEARN TO PLAY GOLF IN A WAY THAT ROCKS

May Half Term

- Tuesday 26th to Friday 29th May 10:30-11:30am
- Sunday 31st May 2-4pm

Summer Holidays

- Tuesday 21st to Thursday 24th July 10:30- 11:30am
- Sunday 26th July 2-4pm

Email: ronnie@ronnieboltongolf.co.uk or golf@bbgc.co.uk for more information

BOOK NOW

englandgolf.org/rocks-and-rookies

QR code

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RESPECT IN GOLF

HOLYPORT VILLAGE FAIR



FUNFAIR RIDES
FOOD & DRINK

SATURDAY 6th June

TRADITIONAL GAMES & STALLS
LIVE MUSIC

TIME: 12-8pm
WHERE: Holyport Green Holyport, SL6 2JL
Holyport Community Trust Charity No. 1179097

5th June 2026
MORE PACE REQUIRED
In aid of **Thames hospice**

📍 Finance House, 5 Bath Rd, Maidenhead, SL6 4AQ

24-HOUR EXERCISE CHALLENGE
Back for another year, the Mortgage Required and Insurance Room teams will be taking on a 24-hour continuous exercise challenge to raise funds and awareness for Thames Hospice. The machines will be in constant use for the full duration!

SUPPORT US
Show your support by popping by to cheer on the team, or visit our JustGiving page.
[justgiving.com/page/more-pace-required-2026](https://www.justgiving.com/page/more-pace-required-2026)




📧 mortgagerequired.com
☎ 01628 507477
✉ team@mortgagerequired.com

3-4 July

13th. Maidenhead Beer and Cider Festival 2026

Proud to support **Thames hospice**

The Sports Bar at Summerleaze Park
off Summerleaze Road, Maidenhead SL6 8SP
Open: Friday & Saturday Noon to 10pm
General Admission: £3 in advance. £5 on door.
CAMRA MEMBERS - FREE ENTRANCE.
All FREE after 7pm Friday & 5pm Saturday.

www.mbcf.camra.org.uk

THE BLEND CHOIR
Summer Concert
SATURDAY 11TH JULY
7.30PM
BAYLIS THEATRE
BRAYWICK LEISURE CENTRE, BRAYWICK ROAD, MAIDENHEAD, SL6 1BN



Tickets £15
info@theblendchoir.co.uk
Bar & Raffle



JUNIOR CRICKET
AT PINKNEYS GREEN CC

PINKNEYS GREEN CC

- ✓ Under 7s (All Stars) FRIDAY EVENING
- ✓ Under 9s & Under 11s FRIDAY EVENING
- ✓ Under 13s SATURDAY MORNING
- ✓ Under 15s WEDNESDAY EVENING
- ✓ Under 17s THURSDAY EVENING
- ✓ Cricket Coaching for boys and girls from ages 5+ matches from ages 7+. All abilities welcome
- ✓ Pinkneys Green CC operates an inclusive selection policy at junior levels ensuring everyone gets the opportunity to contribute and enjoy cricket.

Interested? – secretary@pinkneysgreencc.com
Pinkneys Green CC • Pinkneys Dr, Maidenhead SL6 6QD

U12-U13/Year 7 Touch Rugby at Maidenhead RFC



Fill in form below to register interest

- No membership required
- Free of charge
- All Welcome
- Sun 10/5 - Sun 30/8 @10am & Tues 12/5 - Tues 25/8 @6pm



Maidenhead RFC
Braywick Park
Braywick Road
Maidenhead Berkshire
SL6 1BN

The season might be over but the practice doesn't stop



June 2026 Taplow United Youth Open Trial Days

Are you looking to join a football team for the 2026/27 season?
We would like to meet you... Come join us for training

Select your age group and register now at www.taplow-utd.co.uk
Or scan the QR code below

Taplow United FC, Berry Hill, Taplow, SL6 0DA

- Tuesday 2nd June - 18:15 - 19:30
Girls U8 & U9
- Wednesday 3rd June - 18:15 - 19:30
Boys U7, U8, U9, U10
- Thursday 4th June - 18:15 - 19:30
U11, U12, U13, U14, U15
- Saturday 6th June - 09:30 - 10:45
Boys U7's, U8's, U9's, U10's
11:15 - 12:30
Boys U11's, U12's, U13's, U14's, U15's
- Saturday 13th June - 09:30 - 10:30
Girls U8 & U9

Coaches - Football cannot happen without you. We are always on the lookout for more coaches. Please get in touch to find out more.



ETON EXCELSIOR ROWING CLUB
WINDSOR BOAT CLUB

The rowing club for Windsor Girls' School and girls & boys at Comprehensive and Independent schools in Windsor and surrounding areas

YEAR 7+ ROWING



John Collins
EERC Head Junior Coach & Double GB Olympian

Beginners & Experienced

Mondays
16:30 - 18:30
1 June* to 20 July
8 sessions



Book Here

<http://tinyurl.com/EERCYear7-8>

* If not completed already with us, a mandatory capsiz drill & 50m swim test in the river will take place on 1 June. This must be passed in order to be allowed out on-water.

£175



Girls & Boys
Year 7+ (aged 11 and above)
Confident swimmers

EERC Clubhouse
14 Maidenhead Road
Windsor SL4 5TY

TEAM WORK DISCIPLINE FOCUS STRENGTH & FITNESS FUN!

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