

# FURZE PLATT FOCUS

Weekly Update: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016

<b>SCHOOL WEBSITE</b>	<b>CALENDAR &amp; SPORTS FIXTURES</b>	<b>AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</b>	<b>ONLINE PAYMENTS</b>	<b>APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS</b>	<b>TWITTER</b>	<b>PTFA FACEBOOK PAGE</b>
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## NEXT WEEK (Week 2)

<b>Tues 11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Psychology Trip to Royal Holloway, University of London
<b>Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 7 Head of House / Parents' Consultation Evening (4.30pm - 7pm)
<b>Fri 14<sup>th</sup> October - Sun 16<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 7 - PGL Trip, Osmington Bay
<b>FORTHCOMING EVENTS</b>	
<b>Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 11 Parents' and Students' Consultation Evening (4.15pm - 7pm)
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> October</b>	AS/A2 Photography Trip to Brighton



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**REMINDER: OPEN EVENING TONIGHT  
6-9PM**

### OPEN EVENING

Open Evening will be held tonight from 6pm across the school site. I will be giving two addresses in the Main Hall to prospective parents, at 6.30pm and 7.30pm.

Thank you to all students who have volunteered to help with our visitors this evening, we appreciate your help with this very busy event.

Ms T. White  
Headteacher

### YEAR 11 STUDY SKILLS/TIME MANAGEMENT

Over the next 2 weeks all Year 11 students will attend a time management session in preparation for their imminent PPEs, and ultimately their GCSE exams next year. They will be bringing a flexible timetable home to use, please discuss this with your children. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Slater, Senior Learning Mentor: [debbie.slater@furzeplatt.net](mailto:debbie.slater@furzeplatt.net).

The table below outlines when each house will be attending:

House	Day	Date
Dorney	Monday	10 <sup>th</sup> October
Henley	Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup> October
Cookham	Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup> October
Bisham	Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> October
Windsor	Monday	17 <sup>th</sup> October
Bray	Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup> October
Marlow	Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup> October
Eton	Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> October



### ENGLISH SCHOOLS' ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION QUALIFIERS

#### Cross Country Cup—Berkshire Round

At Reading Bluecoat School yesterday, Furze Platt entered teams in the Junior Girls, Junior Boys and Inter Girls. All athletes ran well for their respective teams. The highlight was the Junior Boys (Years 7 and 8), who finished second behind the hosts and have now qualified to represent Berkshire Schools at the South West regional round in November.

#### Combined Events—England Reserve

Congratulations to Orla Brennan (Year 10) who finished fifth in the National Finals in Exeter and is now first reserve for the England team.

(Pictured: Furze Platt's Cross Country Cup Team)



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### FURZE PLATT STUDENTS SHINE IN CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE

Several FPSS students impressed in the first fixture of the North West London Young Athletes Cross County League held last Saturday. In the Under 13 Boys race, Frank McGrath (Year 7) finished in fifth place, ahead of Iwan Hughes (Year 8) in eleventh, Alex Bate (Year 8) in sixteenth and Josh Dillely (Year 7) in twenty-fifth to clinch second place in the team event. Adam Gambrill (Year 10) ran strongly for fifth spot in the Under 15 Boys race with Elliot Lowe (Year 9) in fourteenth, helping to secure fifth place for Cookham RC.

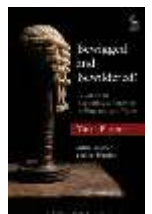
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### FURZE PLATT ALUMNI

#### LEGAL AWARD AND PUBLISHING SUCCESS

Many congratulations to Ian Higgins, FPSS Alumni, who has recently been named one of Legal 500's Top Ten Commercial Litigation Barristers in the UK (<8 years call). Ian has also co-authored 'Bewigged and Bewildered-A Guide to Becoming a Barrister in England and Wales', which aims to help those considering a career in law.

Ian attended Furze Platt from 1995—2002 before going on to study Law at Oxford.

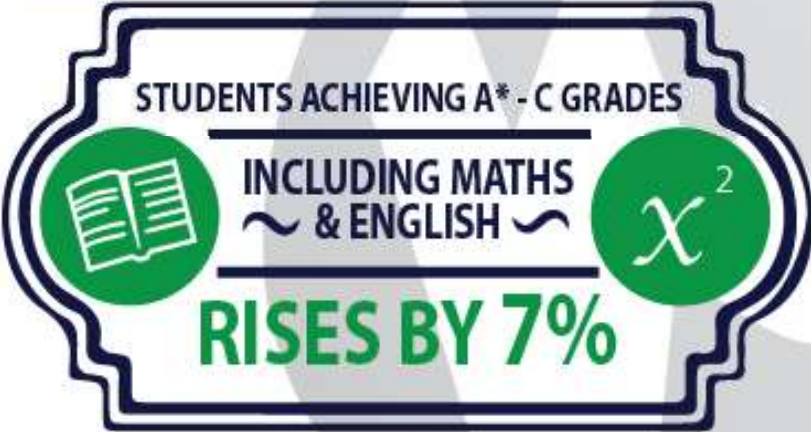


# 2016 RESULTS

## — GCSE —



STUDENTS MADE SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER PROGRESS THAN NATIONAL AVERAGES



### STAR PERFORMERS

- Polly Batstone  
K K K K K K K K K K K K
- Louise Snape  
K K K K K K K K K K K K
- John Conacher  
A K K K K K K K K K K K
- Catrin Osborne  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Will Parsons  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Georgia Sellwood  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Claire Fan  
A K K K K K K K K K K
- Olivia Flood  
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- Hannah Turner  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Jonathan Knowles  
A K K K K K K K K K K
- Victor Kleshnev  
A K K K K K K K K K K
- Matthew Rapley  
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- Eliot Avellano  
A K K K K K K K K K K
- Sterling O'Donohue  
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- Ore Ogidan  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Amy Slater  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Oliver Okonkwo  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Faraz Akhtar  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Oliver Baldwin  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Maya Tetteh  
K K K K K K K K K K K
- Findlay Cassels  
A K K K K K K K K K K

### BEST PROGRESS

- George Jensen  
average of almost 2 grades above target
- Oliver Okonkwo  
average of almost 2 grades above target
- Molly Fawcett  
average of 1.5 grades above target
- Robert Anderson  
average of 1.5 grades above target
- Matthew Rapley  
average of 1.5 grades above target
- Adam Somerville  
average of 1.5 grades above target
- Zach Penman  
average of 1 grade above target
- Matthew Baker  
average of 1 grade above target
- Jess McClintock  
average of 1 grade above target



**CURRENT VACANCIES**

[Home](#) > [Vacancies](#) > [Current Vacancies](#)

[Teacher of Humanities](#)

[Part Time Assistant Site Controller](#)



REMINDERS



**SUPPORTING LEARNING**

[Home](#) > [Parents](#) > [Useful Information](#) > [Supporting Learning in Years 9, 10 and 11 \(2016-17\)](#)

Thank you to everyone who attended the meetings last week on Supporting Learning. For those who could not attend, please find the presentations below.

[YEAR 9](#)

[YEAR 10](#)

[YEAR 11](#)



**STUDY SKILLS SESSIONS**



All Year 7 students have taken part in a flexible planning session for their homework. They have all been given the materials to continue using this scheme, please talk to your children about this. Attached is a [powerpoint](#) with instructions (further support is in the 'notes'). This is to help students balance their school work, and more importantly their free time, so they have a good life/work bal-

If you would like to know more, please contact:

Debbie Slater, Senior Learning Mentor on extension 127 or email [debbie.slater@furzeplatt.net](mailto:debbie.slater@furzeplatt.net).



**JAM JARS**



The Food Technology Department are in need jam jars. If you have any small (individual portion size) or medium jars, please could you bring them to reception. Many thanks,

Mrs S Crisford (Head of Food Technology)

**LOST PROPERTY LOCATION ON OUR NEW WEBSITE**

[Home](#) > [Parents](#) > [Useful Information](#) > [Lost Property](#)

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**DATA COLLECTION FORMS**

If you have not returned your child's [Data Collection Form](#), please can you do so by next week as we need to ensure all details are correct. If your child is attending the Year 7 PGL we must know in advance of any medical issues.

Thank you.

**FURZE  
PLATT**  
SENIOR SCHOOL



**Open  
Evening**



**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct 2016  
All Welcome**



**School Tours Available  
Sept and Oct 2016  
All Welcome\***

**01628 625308**

**office@furzeplatt.com**

**www.furzeplatt.com**

\*Please contact us to reserve a space for these events.

**JOIN THE**

**200 CLUB FOR JUST**

**£5 PER MONTH**

"I'm too busy to help out or attend

PTFA events"

"I'm done with the PTFA now that my

child is at secondary school"

"I'd like to support the school but I'm

not really into the events that are

organised"

"If I could just make a donation to say

'I support the school' I'd do it"

**Do any of these  
sound like you?**

If so, the 200 Club is the simplest, and easiest, way to support the school and PTFA.

Anyone in the school's 'extended' community (parents, carers, family and friends, school staff, students over 16,) can enter by filling in the form to set up the monthly payments. We ask that you commit to a minimum of 12 months (£60 per year per number).

It's a simple lottery style draw that takes place in November, February, May and August and the prize fund is 50% of all money raised in the year going to 3 lucky winners each draw\*.

You join by purchasing one or more numbers at £5 per number per month, either payable by direct debit to Furze Platt Senior School PTFA, NatWest a/c no 64289788 sort code 60-13-35 quoting '200' and your surname, or you can send a cheque payable to Furze Platt Senior School PTFA and hand in at our main school reception marked '200'.

## 200 Club: Application Form

Please issue me with \_\_\_\_\_ number(s) at £60 each per year. Numbers are allocated on receipt of this form and will be generated by the PTFA. I have paid online / by cheque **(please delete as appropriate)**

Total amount paid: £  Amount in words \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am over 16 years of age – please sign to confirm:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Tel No: \_\_\_\_\_

**FPSS PTFA 200 Club  
Account Details:**

a/c: 64289788

sort code: 60-13-35

Please return forms to Maria Dunstan, Treasurer, Furze Platt Senior School PTFA, c/o Furze Platt Senior School, Furze Platt Road, Maidenhead SL6 7NQ or email mazdunstan5@sky.com.

\*The number and size of the cash prizes depends on how many numbers have been sold. The PTFA reserve the right to vary the prize fund.