



# Prospect School VIEW

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## Two new arrivals!

### We're really excited to welcome two new arrivals to school this week



**Mr D Littlemore**  
Headteacher

### Quote of the week

*Before anything else, preparation is the key to success.*

Alexander Graham Bell  
(inventor, engineer & innovator)

Two beautiful new minibuses, which will support our students in all the extra-curricular activities that we do. Both minibuses have full disabled access, and are big enough to fit a full rugby team, so we are looking forward to making great use of them, as well as promoting Prospect in a positive way in our local community.

We said goodbye to our Year 13 students this week, now that their A-level examinations have finished. Mr Beard and Miss Holt led a very happy and enjoyable final assembly. For most of them, this is the end of seven years at Prospect and we will be very excited to hear their news as

they go off to university, apprenticeships and work – although I think a few holidays may be taking place first. Particular thanks go to Tabitha and Jack who have been fabulous student leaders, role models and mentors – you will all be missed very much!

We had a fantastic Year 11 Prom yesterday evening at the Calcot Hotel – I don't think I have ever seen them all looking so smart. A full report and pictures will be in next week's newsletter.

Whilst it is always important to be looking forward, sometimes a look back at the past is equally significant. We were very pleased to welcome

Mr Alan Hudson back to the school for a visit yesterday – a former student from the 1960s, when Prospect was Stoneham (for the boys) and Westwood (for the girls), separated in what are now better known as A and D Blocks. His visit has prompted us to have a look in the archives and we will be creating a display of our history from the pictures and memorabilia we have found. If you are a former student (or know of anyone who is), we would love to hear your memories of earlier generations!

**Mr D Littlemore**  
Headteacher

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

# QUIZ NIGHT

## Quiz night update from the Prospect Community Association

The quiz night scheduled for 28 June has now been postponed until next term

We want to welcome as many people as possible to the school, both from existing families and the new Year 7 intake.

It has also been an incredibly busy term with exams, an Ofsted inspection and other end-of-year programmes.

So we will be back in autumn, refreshed and ready to crack on with fun events, fundraising and activities to support our students and the wider community.

If you can help in any way with the PCA, please contact us at [pca@prospect.reading.sch.uk](mailto:pca@prospect.reading.sch.uk)

**Anna Fowler**  
Prospect Community Association



## Good Luck Joe!

Albatross Diving Club is a springboard and high-diving club based in Reading. They compete successfully in National and Junior International competitions.

Joe F, one of our year 8 students, has qualified for the Skills Final in Plymouth on the weekend of 5/6/7 July 2019.

We would like to congratulate Joe in qualifying for this competition and to wish him good luck.

## Prayer room

We would like to remind students that we have a multi-faith prayer room in school (near reception).

It is open at both breaktimes, and is available to students of any faith (or no faith) who would like a few moments of quiet contemplation, meditation or prayer.

## Multi-Faith Prayer Room



## This week's focus is: Labour Market Information

**Every student, and their parents, should have access to good quality information about future study options and Labour Market opportunities.**

### What are T Levels?

These are new 2-year, technical programmes designed with employers to give young people the skills that industry needs. They will give students aged 16 to 18 a technical alternative to A levels and will help them to get a skilled job. T-Levels will start to be taught in September 2022. More information, can be found: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/introduction-of-t-levels/introduction-of-t-levels>

### What if I am not quite ready for an apprenticeship?

A traineeship is a course with work experience that gets you ready for work or an apprenticeship. It can last up to 6 months. For more information visit, <https://www.gov.uk/find-traineeship>.

### Can I do a degree and an apprenticeship?

Yes. There are currently over 100 Higher and Degree level apprenticeships can be found in the National Apprenticeship Service Guide. Apprenticeships are available in law, accountancy and journalism.

### If I do a BTEC can I still go to university?

According to the 2017 UCAS End of Data Cycle, just over 100,000 students holding a BTEC qualification were accepted into universities. <https://www.ucas.com/further-education/post-16-qualifications/qualifications-you-can-take/btec-diplomas>

### I want to be my own boss?

According to the Office for National Statistics, the increase in self-employment between March 2008 and March 2017 accounted for almost a third of total employment growth. For more information, <https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/>

### What areas of the market are growing?

It is estimated that AI could add an additional £630 billion to the UK economy by 2035. Read the government-commission 2017 report 'Growing the Artificial Intelligence Industry in the UK'

### Future trends - Growing careers - what skills are predicted to grow?

Due to changes in life expectancy - there will be a huge demand within the health care sector. There are roles for school leavers, apprenticeships and those with higher level qualifications, as well as degrees. For more information visit <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/>

### Gaming careers?

Britain's creative industries are worth £92 billion, employ 2 million people and are growing twice as fast as the rest of the economy. For more information, read the 2017 PWC Report '2018 Global Entertainment and Media Outlook' Obviously you need to have the digital skills and STEAM subjects are key.

## Labour Market Information (continued)

### Information on current trends:

A good source for local and national trends;

<https://www.lmiforall.org.uk/interested-in-the-lm-and-want-lmi>

### Employer Engagement:

Year 9: Health care day – letter on website. Uniform must be worn. Lunch provided.

Year 10 – all students who should have returned their forms/health checks by now.

6th formers – contact me if you would like to attend a work shadowing event with a law firm.

Year 10 – Reading Scholars 9 July all day - this is the last one!

Year 10 – we have already started interviewing as I feel passionately that you have enough to worry about in Year 11. Contact your tutor if they have not organised an appointment with me (contact details below).

### Careers Evening: 12 December Open to All

Can it be that time again? I need representatives for a variety of different industry sectors so the choice can be as diverse as the students in this school. You will also be advertising your business and will be able to feel you are part of the process of giving students the benefit of real life work experience. Contact me for further information.

**Siobhan Gallivan**  
Head of Careers - Room D4  
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## Theme of the week

24- 28 June

## Motivation





## An interview with a Fundraising Development Manager

- 1. What did you want to be when you were at school?** I wanted to be an accountant or a stock broker as I was really good at maths. I remember Arthur Anderson Accountants visiting our school and thinking I would like to wear a suit to work and be a professional one day.
- 2. What subjects did you enjoy and why?** Maths and art. I am quite a logical person and it all made sense to me. I also liked art though I am unable to sketch so I was advised not to take it as an option – rather there were other subjects I could do better in. I was quite upset and I remember arguing with my teacher and parents.
- 3. What subjects were a challenge?** Anything practical or where I had to think creatively. I hated writing stories. I enjoyed school and love learning. Art was a challenge – though my work is very much within the Arts.
- 4. What was your first proper full-time job after college/university/school?** I worked in Barclays bank as a Graduate Trainee.
- 5. How did you decide which was the right career for you?** I am really practical and understand market trends. I think I am in the right job for now. I love the fact that my job is within the arts and I am able to be instrumental in the promotion of an area I am passionate about.
- 6. If you could give your younger self some careers advice what would it be?** I would say - do not decide you are anything until you have tried the very thing you avoid.
- 7. If you could do any job or career what would it be?** A hairdresser. I love my hairdresser - he is the one person who can make me feel better about myself. He is also so happy and funny. I would also like to one day run my own Development Trust, perhaps within the Arts.
- 8. What do you enjoy about your job?** I have a huge amount of responsibility, with a team fundraising target of £6.8million for next financial year. I work with a fantastic team who are so committed to our charities' aims.
- 9. If you could change one thing about your job/career what would that be?** All the changes within the charities commission. Sometimes I feel that the Arts is not given enough importance. Many people would say that the length of time projects can take is a frustration.
- 10. What are the main skills you need to do your job?** You need to have self-belief, you need to be able to see the value in your work even when others do not. If I didn't believe in what we are trying to achieve I really could not do my job or lead my team. I am always very optimistic that we will achieve our goals. You need to be financially literate. An understanding of funding streams, budget planning and bid writing is important too.
- 11. Are there any specific qualifications/skills needed? If so what?** I have a stats degree. You need to be comfortable being able to work with six-figure sums. I am calm and tend to not get flustered. I am able to manage relationships with our major donors through to the solicitation process. I am good at delegation and I know that I am only as good as the team I have working with me.



## **Mechanical Electrical Apprenticeships**

**Would you like to be trained as a dual skilled manufacturing technician working in a dynamic team and ever changing environment for a large manufacturing company?**

We are looking to recruit two highly motivated individuals who possess practical mechanical, electrical and problem solving skills for 3-4 year apprenticeships. We are looking for strong team players with a passion to learn and develop themselves.

The manufacturing process is designed around complex electrical and mechanical production lines and equipment. Our apprentices will develop and learn the skills required to work as part of a multi skilled team responsible for all operating tasks, maintenance and process control within our Operations Department.

P&G's people are the company's most important resource, and a source of competitive advantage. We create opportunities for careers at P&G, not just jobs and we pride ourselves on our 'Promote from Within' policy. Actively encouraging our people to develop and further their careers across a variety of disciplines.

**Starting salary:** £14,000 per annum with the potential to increase based on performance over the duration of the apprenticeship. If you are offered a permanent position at the end of the apprenticeship, as a P&G employee there will be opportunities to consider whether you would like your career to follow a technical or managerial direction.

Normal hours of work will be 37.5 hours per week from Monday to Friday. Your working day will start between 7.00am and 9.00am (this will be confirmed by the Apprenticeship Leader) and you will normally have a 30 minute lunch break. During your days at college you will work the hours set out by the college and during college holidays you will be expected to attend work at P&G.

**We are passionate about being an equal opportunities employer and value diversity of our company. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, colour, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status, veteran status, or disability status.**

If you would like to discuss our apprenticeship programme further please contact  
**Louise Pollard** [pollard.lc.1@pg.com](mailto:pollard.lc.1@pg.com) 0189 231229



Procter & Gamble UK, Gillette UK Ltd, 452 Basingstoke Road, Reading, Berkshire RG2 0QE.



**If you are interested in the above apprenticeship programme please see information on how to apply on the next page.**



**In order to apply you need to be available to start the apprenticeship programme from September 2019.**

How to apply:

Please email your application to Louise Pollard at [pollard.lc.1@pg.com](mailto:pollard.lc.1@pg.com)

Your application should include the following:

Contact Details: Name, address, email, tel. number

Schools/college attended and qualifications and expected qualifications if you are due to take exams this year.

And answers to the following questions:

- Please explain why you would like to be a Mechanical Electrical Apprentice.
- Have you had any relevant experience, either in or out of school/college. (This can include details of interests and hobbies.)
- Your place of work will be at 452 Basingstoke Road, Reading and you will be required to attend a local college 1 or 2 days a week. Please explain how you would get to the Plant and college everyday at the required time if your application is successful.
- Do you know anyone who currently works for P&G?
- Do you have any learning difficulties that you need support with? This will not hinder your application in any way but we can ensure that you have any necessary support during the application process to ensure that you are treated fairly.

If you would like to discuss our apprenticeship programme further before applying, please contact:

Louise Pollard [pollard.lc.1@pg.com](mailto:pollard.lc.1@pg.com) 01189 231229

# LGBTQA+

Community meet up

Have the chance to have your say

Every Tuesday  
3:00pm @ the  
library

Share your experiences

Meet new people

Confidential and safe



## Puzzle of the week



Make the number 1000 by using the number 8 exactly 8 times.

You may use any Mathematical symbols, such as add, subtract.

You can also use fractions, decimal points, brackets etc.

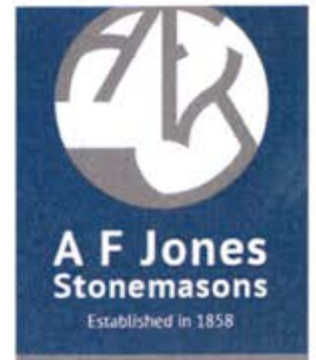
(Answer in next newsletter)



Last issue's answer: 426315 or 513624



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**A.F.Jones Stonemasons is a fifth generation company, family owned & operated since 1858. We operate from three separate sites: central Reading, Ipsden nr. Wallingford and Henley-on-Thames.**

**We currently are looking to recruit two apprentices, who would be based at our Ipsden production facility.**

**Apprentices will be working alongside experienced tradesmen on a daily basis, and will receive supervision and on-the-job training. Two days per week at college or block release.**

**Apprentices at AFJ traditionally have become long serving members of the team, continuing through and after college, developing their careers with us.**

**Ideally, candidates should have their own transport (or be able to commute daily to our Ipsden Production Yard).**

**If candidates prefer, site based Mason Apprentice is also a possible option although normally our apprentices start in the Banker area and specialise from there.**

**On the job training and supervision from highly experienced Masons at our Yard/on sites.**

**Please send your CV and covering letter to:**

**Ken Jones [Director]  
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07720413062**

# What's occurring?



## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Event	Details
2018 – 2019	Term Six	Monday 3 June - Friday 19 July
Tues 25.06.19	'A' Level Art Exhibition	Lower School Hall - 3:30pm to 4:30pm
Thur 27.06.19	Year 8 Parent Consultation Evening	Lower School Hall - 3:30pm to 7:30pm
Thur 27.06.19	Year 9 Parent Consultation Evening	Lower School Hall - 3:30pm to 7:30pm
July	Celebration of Achievement Afternoons	Details to follow shortly.
Tues 02.07.19	Year 10 Parent Consultation Evening	Lower School Hall - 3:30pm to 7:30pm
Tues 02.07.19	Year 12 Parent Consultation Evening	Lower School Hall - 3:30pm to 7:30pm
Wed 03.07.19	Year 6 Transfer Day 1	8:45am to 2:45pm
Thur 04.07.19	Year 6 Transfer Day 2	8:45am to 2:45pm
Thur 04.07.19	Summer Concert	6:30pm to 8:30pm
Tues 09.07.19	Festival of Sport Day	All day
Thur 11.07.19	Year 7 Parent Consultation Evening	Lower School Hall - 3:30pm to 7:00pm
Fri - 12.07.19	Curriculum Day 4 - PSHE & Wellbeing Day	All day

## SCHOOL TRIPS



Date	Event	Year Groups
Every Wed until July end of term	Rushall Farm, Bradfield, READING	Selected Year 7
Sunday to Thursday, 23 to 27 June	Pembrokeshire	12
Tuesday 25 June	Peter Brett	10
Friday 28 June	Stratford upon Avon	7 & 8
Monday 1 July	Rushall Farm	10
Tuesday 2 July	Rushall Farm	9
Tuesday 9 July	Reading University Scholars	9
Monday 15 July	Brilliant Club, Royal Holloway Graduation	7 & 8
Monday & Tuesday, 15 & 16 July	Rushall Farm	9 & 10 (& Bridge tbc)

# EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We offer a wide range of extra curricular activities to help you learn more and to develop your skills.

Why not come along?

Subject	Year Groups	Day	Time	Location
<b>Art</b>				
Coursework Catch Up	9-11	Monday	3.00pm-4.00pm	Art Block
Coursework Catch Up	9-11	Wednesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	Art Block
Coursework Catch Up	9-11	Thursday	3.00pm-4.00pm	Art Block
<b>Computing</b>				
Hi-Flyers Workshop	10-13	Tuesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	C23
Computer Science Clinic	10-13	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	C24
Cyber Stars	7-9	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	C21
<b>Drama/Music</b>				
KS3 Drama Workshop	7-8	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	A02
KS4 Music Theory Workshop	9-11	Wednesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	A10
KS3 Choir	7-8	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	A10
KS4 Music Composition Workshop	9-11	Thursday	2.45pm-3.45pm	A10
Drum Ensemble		Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Music Studio
KS4 Drama Workshop	9-11	Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	A02/LSH
<b>General</b>				
After School Homework Club	All	Every day	2.45pm-3.45pm	Library
Music Group (with the School Counsellor)	All	Wednesday	3.30pm-5.00pm	Music Dept
<b>Health &amp; Social Care</b>				
Health & Social Care Intervention	11	Thursday	10.45am-11.15am	H&SC Dept
Health & Social Care Intervention	11	Friday	2.45pm-3.45pm	H&SC Dept

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## History

Year 11 Revision Group	11	Wednesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	D26
Year 11 Revision Group	11	Thursday	2.45pm-3.45pm	D17
Year 11 Revision Group	11	Thursday	2.45pm-3.45pm	A34

## Mathematics

Mathematics Help Club	7-10	Wednesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	D21
Mathematics Help Club	11	Wednesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	D33

## P.E.

Basketball	10 & 11	Monday	10.45am-11.15am	Sports Hall
Basketball	7, 8 & 9	Monday	10.45am-11.15am	Gym
Netball	All Years	Monday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Basketball	10 & 11	Monday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Gym
Table Tennis	All Years	Monday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Lower School Hall
Boys Fitness	All Years	Monday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Fitness Factory
Basketball	10 & 11	Tuesday	10.45am-11.15am	Sports Hall
Gymnastics	KS3	Tuesday	10.45am-11.15am	Gym
Girls Fitness	All Years	Tuesday	10.45am-11.15am	Fitness Factory
Badminton	KS3	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Basketball	10 & 11	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Gym
Table Tennis	All Years	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Lower School Hall
Boys Fitness	All Years	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Fitness Factory
Girls Netball Club	All Years	Tuesday	After School	
Football Fixtures	7	Tuesday	After School	
Football Fixtures	10	Tuesday	After School	
Basketball	10 & 11	Wednesday	10.45am-11.15am	Sports Hall
Basketball	7, 8 & 9	Wednesday	10.45am-11.15am	Gym
Boys Fitness	All Years	Wednesday	10.45am-11.15am	Fitness Factory
Indoor Football	All Years	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall

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<b>P.E.</b>				
Basketball	10 & 11	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Gym
Table Tennis	All Years	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Lower School Hall
Girls Just Dance/Fitness	All Years	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Fitness Factory
Football Club	All Years	Wednesday	After School	
Football Fixtures	9	Wednesday	After School	
Netball Fixtures	7 & 8	Wednesday	After School	
Basketball	10 & 11	Thursday	10.45am-11.15am	Sports Hall
Girls Basketball	All Years	Thursday	10.45am-11.15am	Gym
Basketball	10 & 11	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Multi-sports	All Years	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Gym
Boys Fitness	All Years	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Fitness Factory
Football Fixtures	8	Thursday	After School	
Football Fixtures	11	Thursday	After School	
Netball Fixtures	9	Thursday	After School	
Basketball	10 & 11	Friday	10.45am-11.15am	Sports Hall
Basketball	7, 8 & 9	Friday	10.45am-11.15am	Gym
Girls Fitness	All Years	Friday	10.45am-11.15am	Fitness Factory
Badminton	KS4	Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Basketball	10 & 11	Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Gym
Badminton	GCSE	Friday	After School	
<b>Science</b>				
KS3 Homework Club	7-8	Tuesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	B01, B02, B13
Year 10 High Ability Club	10	Tuesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	
Year 9 High Ability Club	9	Tuesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	B14
<b>Technology</b>				
Design and Make It Club	7 - 8	Wednesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	L05