



Newsletter

Issue 8: Friday, 9th November 2018



100th Anniversary of the Great War

This Sunday marks the hundredth anniversary of the ending of the Great War on:

11th November 1918

As always at Prospect, we have spent the week thinking about what Remembrance means to us in the twenty first century and the continuing value of honouring the lives of all men and women who were killed in the many conflicts of the twentieth century.



On Friday, as is customary, we will be holding a short ceremony and a two minutes silence at 11 o'clock at our own war memorial:

'The Prospect 1000'

All students are welcome to join us and share this time for quiet reflection.'

Mr R. Ridgus
(History Teacher)

Message from Mr D. Littlemore

It has been a very busy two weeks since we returned from half term.

Two important events are coming up – Remembrance Sunday and Anti-Bullying Week, both of which reflect our ethos in school. This year it is exactly 100 years since the end of the First World War. At the time, it was called The Great War, as people believed such a terrible conflict would never occur again. Sadly, we know that this was not to be the case. Every year at Prospect, Mr Ridgus leads the school in a two-minute silence at our Remembrance Tree, when the school comes together to think about all those who gave their lives to ensure our freedom. The words of the author Joseph Campbell are poignant at this time, "A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself."

The national theme for Anti-Bullying Week this year is 'Choose Respect'. The young soldiers who lost their lives in the Great War and all those who have subsequently done so, deserve our utmost respect. It is important that we treat each other respectfully at all times. Small common courtesies, such as holding the door open, remembering to say 'please' and 'thank you' (which I'm pleased to say most of our students do very well) make everyone's day just that bit nicer and easier.

To reinforce this message, Miss McCabe has devised a series of daily reminders, to be shown in tutorial, which focus on the theme of the week and provide key information to students. This offers students a moment of reflection during the day, so that they can think about how they will grow up to become good citizens. Whilst academic performance is important, we also value our sense of community and shared pride in our school.

For our Year 11 students, those all-important exams are coming ever closer. They have just completed two weeks of Pre-Public Exams (PPEs), and I have been absolutely delighted with their commitment to this critical part of their exam preparation. Their behaviour has been immaculate, described by one of our school governors on a recent visit as 'exceptional'. I am very proud of them all and look forward to sharing some excellent results next week!

Although, as I write this, we have just returned from a very wet and windy break-time, we have been looking at ways to extend the range of activities available to students. My local sports shop has recently donated a number of footballs and Mr Gerrard is running a very popular basketball club. However, if there are any other suggestions for break-time activities, please share these with your form reps to discuss at Prospect Parliament or email me directly: dlittlemore@prospect.reading.sch.uk.

Attendance at school remains a key priority for us and I know, as the winter approaches, we are all much more susceptible to illness. Whilst we do not want students who are really unwell to be in school, please think very carefully before keeping your child at home if they actually could be here – there is a clear link between attendance and good progress in school.

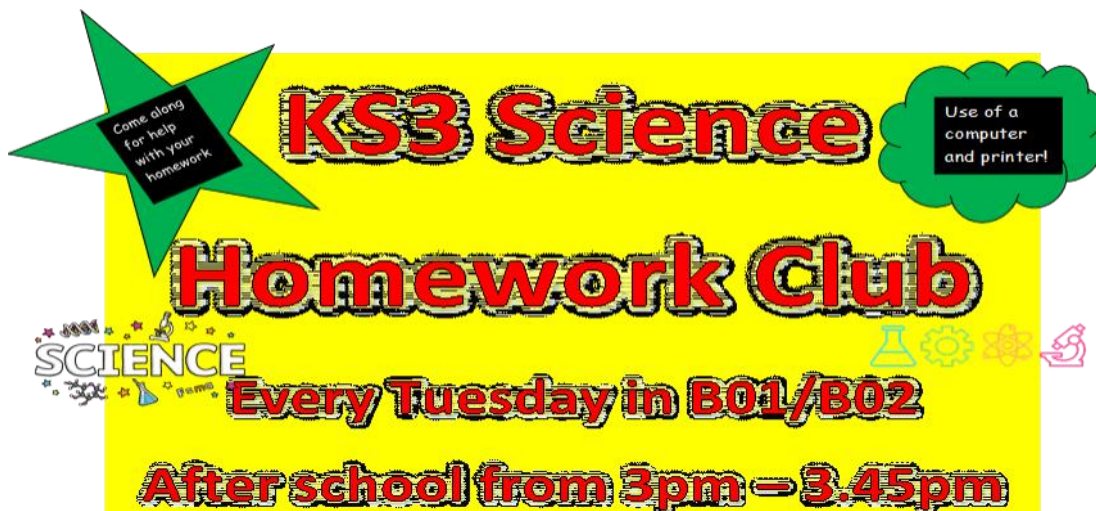
PROSPECT SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Trip	Details
Wednesday 14 th November 2018	Sixth Form Information Evening in 'L' Block	Information for students on how to apply for Prospect Sixth Form.
Thursday 22 nd November 2018	The Watermill Theatre Company will be performing 'Jane Eyre' in the Lower School Hall. (Years 9, 10 & 11 GCSE)	A Live-Theatre Performance is essential for the Exam Specification.
Wednesday 5 th December 2018	Climate Change Conference Reading Civic Offices (organised by Geography Dept)	To give students the opportunity to work in teams and represent 15 different nations to focus on global progress towards the Paris Agreement.
Tuesday 11 th December 2018	Year 11 & Year 13 Parents Consultation Evening	Lower School Hall
Thursday 13 th December 2018	Careers Evening Years 9 to 13	Sixth Form Block 6pm to 8pm
Tuesday 18 th December 2018	Annual Performing Arts Christmas Concert	Music & Drama come together for 'An Evening of Festivities'.

REPORT DATES INFORMATION

Year Groups	Reports Scheduled between
7,8,9,10,11,12,13	Monday 10th December - Wednesday 19th December 2018
11,13	Monday 25th March - Friday 29th March 2019
7,8,9,10,12	Monday 29th April - Friday 3rd May 2019
7,8,9,10,12	Monday 1st July - Friday 5th July 2019

Information from the Science Department (Ms L Welch)



KS3 Science

Homework Club

Every Tuesday in B01/B02

After school from 3pm - 3.45pm

Come along for help with your homework

Use of a computer and printer!

SCIENCE

Sports Department - Results
(Mr A. Dorliac—Head of Dept)

Date	Team/ Year	Opposition	Home/ Away	Result	Score	Scorers	Brief Match Report
1st Nov	Rugby Year 8	Oakbank	Away	Won	20-0	Ajmal S Luther M Haytam Lewis R	
1st Nov	Rugby Year 8	Ickniel	Away	Loss	20-5	Ajmal S	
18th Oct	Football Girls U14	Highdown	Home	Loss	2-0	N/A	Tough game. Player of the Prospect team awarded to Lisa A.
16th Oct	Football Girls U14	Blessed Hugh Faringdon	Home	Loss	4-3	Jaidyn S (3)	Fantastic goals from Jaidyn S. Opposition scored in last few minutes. Prospect showed excellent resilience and teamwork.
11th Oct	Football Girls U14	Abbey	Away	Draw	0-0	N/A	Great teamwork. Strong display from both teams. Some good shots on target.
11th Oct	Football Girls U14	Bulmershe	Away	Loss	1-0	N/A	Tough game against strong opposition. Some good chances throughout the game.
11th Oct	Rugby Year 8	St Joseph's	Home	Won	25-15	Haytam GR x 2 Lewis R x 2 Luther M x 1	Prospect played some fantastic offloading rugby which took them to a 20-0 lead at half-time. St Joseph's came back stronger in the second half but Prospect were able to get a 25-15 win.
10th Oct	Rugby Year 9	Maiden Erlegh	Home	Won	31-0	Alan L x 3 plus 2 others	A strong performance from Prospect saw them run out comfortable winners in the end. Some great rugby by both teams played with a fantastic attitude by all players.
10th Oct	Rugby Year 9	Langtree	Home	Loss	5-0		A close encounter that could have gone either way was won by a single try, scored from a poor penalty kick by Prospect. It was always going to take a single mistake to split the two teams and Prospect were the unlucky ones on this occasion.
9 th Oct	Year 7	St Josephs	Home	Won	6-2	Lewis. H x 3 Jacob Ruevan	A well fought match that saw Prospect come out on top due to some clinical finishing. A fantastic hat trick by Lewis H topped off a great team effort.

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Sports Department - Results cont'd
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9th Oct	Rugby Year 7	Bohunt A	Home	Loss	5-0		A very good Bohunt team scored 3 tries in quick succession. Prospect raised their physicality/ aggression levels and put pressure on Bohunt. Bohunt capitalised on a couple of errors. A tough loss, but the score was not a true reflection on the quality of the Prospect's performance.
4th Oct	Rugby Year 8	Theale Green	Away	Won	15-10	Haytam G x 2 Luther M x1	A tough fought victory over Theale Green made it 3 wins in 4 games for the Year 8 boys. A fantastic start to their rugby season.
4th Oct	Year 8	Chiltern Edge	Away	Won	20-0	Ajmal S x3 Kartel F x 1	An excellent team performance by Prospect. Great team play and creating some good tries.
4th Oct	Year 10	Burnham	Home	Loss	1-2	Jacob L	Too many missed chances from Prospect who were far the better side. Unfortunately, 2 shots and 2 goals meant a first defeat in 2 years.

PROSPECT SCHOOL FIXTURE LIST

Week beginning 12th November 2018

	Team	Sport	Competition	Opposition	Venue
Tuesday	Year 7/8/9 Girls	Badminton	Tournament		Kendrick
Tuesday	U16	Basketball	League	Hugh Faringdon	Home
Thursday	Year 7 Boys	Rugby	Festival		Blue Coats
Thursday	Year 8/9 Girls	Football	League	Hugh Faringdon/ WREN	Hugh Faringdon
Thursday	U14	Basketball	League	Hugh Faringdon	Home

Operation Christmas Child 2018

This year's Shoebox Appeal is now launched! This is a great opportunity to be involved in making a significant difference to a disadvantaged child's life at Christmas time. This has been hugely successful in the past and I am always extremely proud of the involvement that young people like to have in causes such as this. If you or any students would like to take part please come along to pick up a leaflet from me in The Bridge which gives all the instructions you will need - wrap a shoe box and fill it with a few inexpensive small gifts. Please then drop completed shoeboxes into me by Tuesday 13th November. I can offer a collection service within school if this is helpful!



Please check out the website for more information;

<http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child>

Thank you to all those that have already dropped in completed shoeboxes!

You may consider doing one shoebox as a tutor group which makes it a lot easier for more people to be involved.

Please spread the word with students! Posters are up around school and you can also collect a leaflet from the main reception as well as from me. Tutors might like to share some of the many resources of information that are available on the website too, including videos.

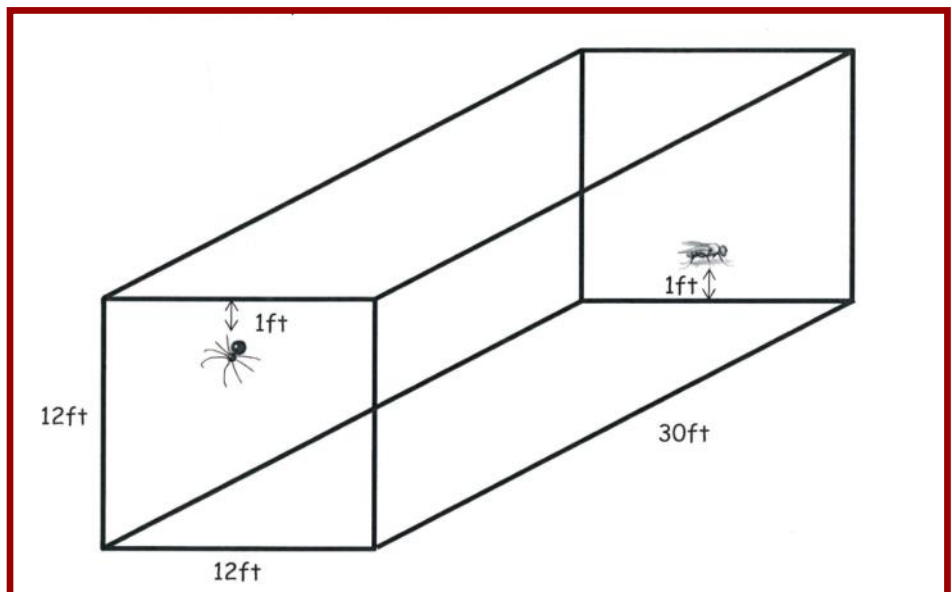
I have lots of empty shoeboxes waiting to be wrapped and filled.

The more shoeboxes, the merrier!

**Ruth Packman
Bridge SEN Teacher**

PUZZLE OF THE WEEK - No 1 Ms P. Vacy-Ash - Maths Department

The diagram below shows a big room with dimensions 12ft x 12ft x 30ft. There is a spider aligned in the centre of one square wall, 1ft from the ceiling. There is a fly on the opposite wall, also aligned in the centre, but 1ft from the ground. What is the length of the shortest path the spider can take to the fly, assuming it stays on the walls and the fly does not move?



Answer will be in the next Newsletter.

THEME OF THE WEEK



12 – 16
November
Anti-Bullying
Week

The theme this year is 'Choose Respect'.

Respect means to 'have due regard for (someone's feelings, wishes, or rights)'.

Students will be reminded of this throughout the week, in tutor time, lessons, assemblies and around the school.

<https://youtu.be/UNjddfY-AXA>



Information from Ms M. Morris (Deputy Head)

Message from Reading Borough Council Admissions Team:

The School Admissions Code of 2014 section 1.42 says all admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements at least every 7 years. It has been 7 years since Reading Borough Council last consulted on its admissions arrangements and therefore we have to consult this year.

We have reviewed our Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme for Primary, Infant, Junior and Secondary schools for Reading Borough Council for the 2020/2021 academic year and Admissions Policy for Infant, Junior and Primary Schools 2020/2021. As a result we are proposing some amendments.

The consultation can be found here: www.reading.gov.uk/schooladmissions2020

The consultation is taking place between 17th October and 9th December 2018. Clicking on the link will take you to the relevant documents and there is the opportunity for parents/carers to feedback on the proposed changes.

CAREERS NEWS
Siobhan Gallivan (Head of Department)

Careers Evening
Thursday, 13th December 2018
Sixth Form Block from 6pm to 8pm

If you would like a free stall at our Careers Evening to promote your business and take advantage of free advertising, please email me for more details:

sgallivan@prospect.reading.sch.uk

6th Form – Open Evening is on 14th November 2018

If you would like to apply to Prospect 6th Form please attend this event from 5pm.

Contact: jjeffery@PROSPECT.READING.SCH.UK to confirm attendance.

Reading College – Open Evening is on 21st November – see the campus and apply.

<https://www.activatelearning.ac.uk/events/2018/nov/reading-nov-open-event/>



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**WHAT
NEXT?**

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EVENT | **2018, 4-7pm**

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