



Prospect School VIEW

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Message from the Headteacher



Quote of the week

Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value.

Albert Einstein



I didn't expect to be writing this looking out at our playing fields covered with snow!



It's been a bit of a surprise, but I've been really pleased with how well our students have reacted – I know how tempting snowball fights can be!

As a whole school, we are focusing this term on student behaviour. Generally, most visitors comment on the purposeful and calm atmosphere around school, but in a school of over 1200 students, some will, on occasions, get things wrong. In order to ensure that all



students are getting the best possible learning opportunities, we have been working with Pivotal Behaviour Consultants for the past couple of months, and they led a whole-staff training session this week. So if your children come home and start talking about #shakyhandgang and #overandabove, this is where it has come from. We want to have a school culture where best conduct gets first attention and all our students are aspiring to achieve their very best.



You can imagine how proud I was when, upon finding a wallet containing over £500 lying in the snow, three of our Year 9 girls (Teegan, Isabel and Emily) immediately brought it into school, so that it could be reunited with its owner. These small acts of kindness towards others really do demonstrate the calibre of our students.

Mr D Littlemore,
Headteacher (Acting)

Careers News: Year 11

Networking session

Had rewarding thought provoking session thinking about not just what they know but who they know that helps with their career journey. We looked at ways to expand our social circle and how we need to listen to others and try and think about how our skills might translate to other areas. They put themselves outside of their comfort zone and practiced listening skills.

Employability sessions

We will be continuing to support students in building a CV for their future.

As ever carry on applying and ensure you chase those applications.

Siobhan Gallivan,
Head of Careers

Calling any Mentors

Have you any spare time to support our students as they make life and career choices?

A monthly commitment with full training and DBS check.

Siobhan Gallivan,
Head of Careers

Email: sgallivan@prospect.reading.sch.uk



Careers Information Year 10 – Reading Scholars

University of Reading careers visits

Monday 11 February 2019

Students will think about the benefits of attending university and whether its something they would like to do; spend time with their mentor understanding the university opportunities available; participate in additional subject taster sessions.

Thursday 4 April 2019

Students will think about their personality type & how this might affect how they can get the most out of learning opportunities; future careers and the role university can play in this; undertake some research based on their project.

Tuesday 9 July 2019

Debating activity to think about a debate point, develop and present the debate – Feedback on draft project.

Thursday 3 October 2019

Project presentation, revision skills session, reviewing original goals set and thinking about what next.

Alongside these sessions, they will have access to e-mentoring provided by their DBS-checked student mentor and will work towards a project delivered by an organisation called the Brilliant Club.



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Monday 11 February 4.30pm to 7.00pm

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Sports results and fixtures

U16 County Cup 1st Round v Sandhurst School (A)

Last week the U16 Girls football team faced Sandhurst School in the 1st round of the County Cup. Both teams were able to show strong teamwork and skill throughout the first half, which ended 0-0. However, the second half proved to be more challenging with Prospect having a reduced 10 players in an 11-a-side game. Unfortunately, the final score ended 2-0 to Sandhurst Park due to some fast breaks. Both teams ended the game with over five shots on target in a close match that could have gone either way.

U14 County Cup 1st Round v Park House (H)

The U14 Girls football team also played in the 1st round of the County Cup last week against Park House. The girls showed great determination and positivity throughout the first half, which gave us a 5-0 lead at half time with fantastic goals scored by Alicia T (2), Alicia A (2) and Crystal (1). Prospect added two more goals in the second half through Antonia F (1) and Alicia T (1) again! They will face Bohunt School in the next round on Tuesday 29th January.

Vacancies

Key Stage 4 Hub Coordinator

Required from mid-February

(Temporary to cover Maternity Leave)

Pay Scale NJC 4, Spinal Point 18 – 21 £15,784 - £17,182

37 hours per week, term time only, plus two Inset Days

We are seeking to appoint a Hub Coordinator on a temporary basis to cover Maternity Leave. The post holder will provide support for the Key Stage 4 student support team. This key role will be the first point of contact for external agencies, staff, students, parents and carers. Our student support teams are committed to ensuring the academic, personal and social development of our students, maintaining high standards of behaviour and celebrating hard work and achievement.

If you are interested in joining us, please check the school website for more information or contact the Office Manager, Mrs L Akister on 0118 9023152 or email lakister@prospect.reading.sch.uk. Only applications on Prospect's application form will be accepted.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The recruitment of the successful applicant will be subject to enhanced DBS certificate and registration with the update service.

Prospect School is an equal opportunities employer.

The closing date for application is 28th January 2019



Uniform reminder

At the start of the new year and a new school term, please take this opportunity to remind your self and your child of our expectations of high standards regarding uniform.

A list of uniform is shown below and also to view on our website. <http://www.prospect.reading.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=77>

Prospect School uniform

- Plain black 'V' neck sweat shirt with Prospect School logo
- School tie
- A white shirt buttoned to the collar
- Black smart trousers or black skirt or black shalwar, black skirt and black head scarf
- Suitable footwear – plain, black, low heeled and able to be polished
- Plain black socks
- Plain black or navy outside coat
- No more than one plain stud in each ear

The following are **not considered appropriate** for the school environment at any time:

- Apart from one plain stud in each ear, any body piercing of any form
- Necklaces or any other jewellery
- Excessive make-up or nail extensions
- Jeans worn as trousers, leggings or 'skinny' trousers
- Skirts that are too short or tight
- Denim or leather jackets
- Any sweatshirt without the Prospect logo, including hoodies.
- Boots or trainers of any sort
- No logos or markings other than the school crest are acceptable.

- Extreme hairstyles and unnatural colouring
- No hats/headwear of any sort, other than a headscarf.

School uniform is an important part of school life and provides a benefit to both school and parents. It ensures that the image the school projects is one of pride, industry and identifiable purpose, all of which are very important. School uniform is helpful for parents as it prevents competition and confusion over what is acceptable for school. Prospect School does not consider extreme fashion to be desirable.

All students are expected to be in the correct uniform. Students who do not comply with the uniform code will be challenged by staff. There are a number of possible courses of action depending on circumstances at the time in question: -

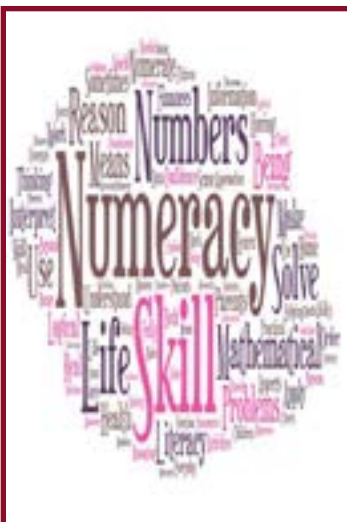
Possible courses of action are as follows: -

- Parent/Carer contacted and student sent home to get correct uniform
- Withdrawal from lessons
- Parent/Carer may bring correct uniform into school

The school does not expect a note to be given to a student for an indefinite period of time. The expectation is that the correct uniform will be worn as soon as possible (i.e. next day).

Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant Head of Year if you have any questions regarding uniform.

Mr M Priddey,
Assistant Headteacher



**Theme of
the week
January 28 –
February 1**

Numbers Matter!

What's occurring?



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Event	Details
Wed 6 Feb 2019	Year 8 Subject Preference Evening	4pm-7pm



REPORT DATES

Year Groups	Scheduled between
11,13	Monday 25 March – Friday 29 March 2019
7,8,9,10,12	Monday 29 April – Friday 3 May 2019
7,8,9,10,12	Monday 1 July – Friday 5 July 2019



SCHOOL TRIPS

Date	Event	Year Groups
Wed 6 Feb	Science Day, Science Museum	13
Mon 11 Feb	The University of Reading Scholars Program	10
Thurs 14 Feb	The Curious Incident of the dog in the night	10 & 11
Mon 18 – Sat 23 Feb	New York	Sixth Form

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
Mathematics				
Mathematics Help Club	7-10	Wednesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	D21
Mathematics Help Club	11	Wednesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	D33
Drama/Music				
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	All Years	Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Music Studio
KS4 Drama Workshop	9-11	Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	A02/LSH
Science				
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
Technology				
Design and Make It Club	7 - 8	Wednesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	L05
Art				
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
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

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Subject	Year Groups	Day	Time	Location
P.E.				
Netball	All	Monday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Basketball	10-11	Monday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Gym
GCSE Coursework	11	Monday	1.15pm-1.45pm	L15
Insanity	All	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Fitness Factory
Badminton	7-8	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Table Tennis	11	Tuesday	1.15pm-1.45pm.	Lower School Hall
Netball	All	Tuesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	Sports Hall
Football	7-8	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Girls Just Dance/Fitness	Any	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm.	Fitness Factory
Basketball	7-9	Thursday	10.45am-11.15am	Sports Hall
Basketball	7-9	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
Benchball	7-10	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Gym
Badminton	10-11	Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Sports Hall
GCSE Practical	11	Friday	2.45pm-3.45pm	Sports Hall
Computing				
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
General				
After School Homework Club	All	Every day	2.45pm-3.45pm	Library
Music Group (with the School Counsellor)	All	Wednesday	4.00pm-5.30pm	Music Dept.



Puzzle of the week

Put the numbers 1-16 in an order so that every consecutive pair add to make a square number.

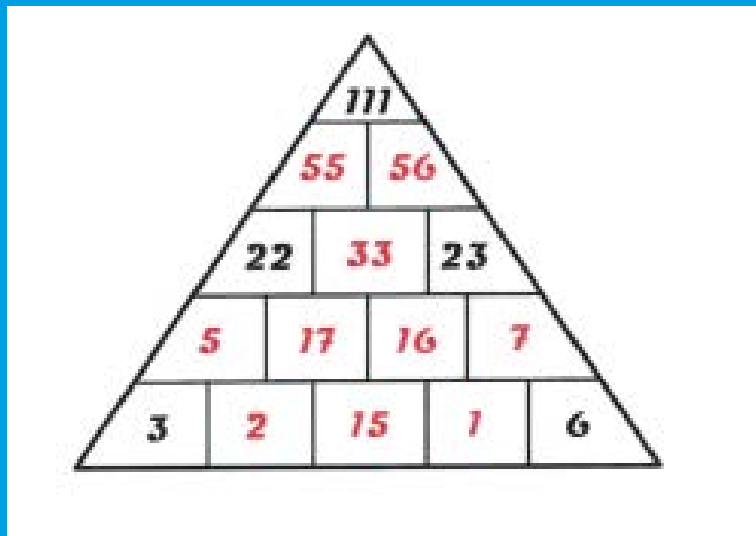
For example, you cannot start with:

1, 2,

Because $1 + 2$ is not a square number.

Answer will be in the next newsletter

Answer to last week's puzzle





A voice for families of children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities

**Are you a parent carer of a disabled and/or special needs child?
Do you want to meet others in the same situation and have your say in shaping services?**

**Then come along to Krazy Play Days, Unit 7,
Sterling Way, Tilehurst, Reading, RG30 6HW
& meet Stephen Kitchman – Children’s Director, Sonia Aulak –
SEND Service Manager and Mark Fowler – interim Head of
Education
7th Feb, 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm
Free entry, light refreshment, siblings welcome**

Come and here the updates from them and they would like to hear your views and experiences.

There will be qualified helpers on site to supervise your children, so that you can be free to listen to the talk. *(Please note that child care spaces are limited).*

To book your place, please email fran.morgan.rff@gmail.com or telephone/text on the mobile number below.

We would be grateful if you could let us know if you would like to come to our coffee evenings but the day and time is not convenient for you. Please email and say what would be better for you so we could adjust timings to suit as many families as possible. Thank you.

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