



Prospect School VIEW

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Happy Easter!



Mr D Littlemore
Headteacher

I really can't believe how quickly this term has gone!

Our Heads of Year have been holding their Celebration of Achievement assemblies this week. Being able to publicly reward those students who have consistently upheld our core values - Aspire, Believe, Achieve - and succeeded above and beyond their expectations is one of the highlights of the term. I am particularly honoured to be ending this term as headteacher of a school in which we have all come together in our collective drive to be #No1SchoolinReading. I am so proud of the way in which students and staff have risen to the challenge, determined to ensure that we are all doing our very best every single day.

As always we have had a very busy term. Students have been extending their learning way beyond the classroom, with visits to St Edmund's College at Oxford University, Reading University, the Emirates

Stadium, the Hexagon, Ufton Court, Rushall Farm, New Theatre Oxford, Reading Museum, the Science Museum, Red Kangaroo and New York to name but a few. There have been many sporting excursions - resulting in both triumph and (occasionally) disappointment - at Bisham Abbey, John Madejski Academy, Maiden Erlegh, Little Heath, Theale Green, Highdown, Bohunt, Edgbarrow, Chiltern Edge, Denefield, Oakbank, Blessed Hugh Faringdon, Willink, Bulmershe and The Wren, playing netball, rugby, football, basketball, multi-sports and running the Reading half Marathon, as well as hosting visitors and speakers from The Brilliant Club, Reading University, Kendrick School, Cranbury College, Churchend Primary, Peter Brett Associates, Reading & Pangbourne Rotary Club, Reading College, National Citizen Service... I could go on, and apologies to anyone I have

missed! We really are a school at the heart of our local and wider community, where we do all we can to meet the needs of our students, as well as giving back to our neighbours.

For our Year 11 and 13 students, the holidays are no time to rest, with the final big push before their public examinations, and I know many of them (and their wonderful teachers) will be in school over the holidays with revision, intervention and enrichment classes.

However you choose to celebrate this key turning point in the academic, religious and seasonal calendar, I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable Easter holiday,

#WeAreProspect

Mr D Littlemore
Headteacher



Quote of the week

Spring is the time of plans and projects.

Leo Tolstoy





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 Prospect School

SIXTH FORM

www.prospect.reading.sch.uk

Prospect Sixth Form - the route to success!

This week, Prospect Students appeared on the screens of all the bus routes across the Reading Buses network. The advert is designed to promote the Sixth Form and let the rest of Reading know what we have to offer. We have already had great interest from our year 11s as well as from students from other institutions.

What's on offer?

This year we are offering a wider range of courses, including level 2 courses in IT, Sport, Public Services and Travel and Tourism.

We are expanding our level 3 offer to include Level 3 Sport, Performing Arts, Art and Design (Product and Graphics) and Level 3 Criminology. These new courses will sit alongside our existing

comprehensive offer which includes Government and Politics, Economics and Psychology A-levels. Students can apply to the sixth form via the 'Apply to Sixth Form' link on the school website.

We have great facilities for study, a designated café area and a welcoming and supportive team whose aim is to ensure our students get the best out of their time at school and are ready for the next stage of their lives.

To find out more about our sixth form contact Mrs Jane Jeffery on:

01189590466 or email
jjeffery@prospect.reading.sch.uk

Mr N Beard
Head of Sixth Form



Lend a hand to your school and your community

The new Prospect Community Association(PCA) is up and running!

Our first meeting at the end of March brought together a group of enthusiastic students, staff members and parents to discuss some great fundraising, social event and community partnership ideas.

With options including quiz nights, outdoor cinema, summer sports sessions and charity days, there's lots of scope for everyone to get involved.

For students it's a great way to enhance CVs or UCAS applications, develop impressive employability skills and give something back to the community. Everyone – students, staff and parents – will work together to raise funds for the school, local groups and national charities, while shouting about our success.

Our launch event will be a quiz night with some fantastic prizes, delicious refreshments, and a chance to meet the Association members. So whatever your talent, skill or available time, there's room for everyone at the PCA.

There will be regular updates in the newsletter, and you can also contact us on:

nbeard@prospect.reading.sch.uk

Mr N Beard
Head of Sixth Form

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





Science Students help Biodiversity in the local area

Mrs Dowling's Year 9 Science Club spent last Tuesday afternoon planting flowers!

The experiment, for which money has been given by Reading Climate Change Partnership, involves planting native species in verges to provide nectar for pollinating insects.

Although there are many daisies in verges, they produce very little nectar compared to other flowers. Previous projects have involved setting aside some parts of verges so that taller flowers can grow and biodiversity can increase, but this has sometimes been at odds with the use of verges as community spaces and an expectation for neatness.

This current experiment involves planting low-flowering species such as crocuses and clovers, to increase the biodiversity and numbers of pollinating insects without the need to reduce the number of times that the verge is cut.

A squad of eleven volunteers from our Science Club joined four volunteers involved in the project, to plant in an area of the wide verge between Bath Road and Granville Road. We will monitor the site over the coming months to see how well the plants flower, and if we can spot any insects on them.

Mrs T. Dowling
Science Teacher





Egg-drop competition

With Easter on its way, the year 8s enjoyed an exploration of the application of mathematics in an egg-drop competition. The aim was to use STEM to create a protective layer around the egg in order for it to survive its drop off by the Easter Bunny... i.e. a fall from height onto hard ground.

Congratulations to the year 8s who had many success stories. There were a few unlucky splatters but it was all in the name of mathematics!

A huge thank-you to Ms Vacy-Ash for organising this adventure for our students.

Miss K Webb
Head of Mathematics

Theme of
the week
23-26 April

Planet Earth



EASTER REVISION SESSIONS

The following revision sessions will be taking place over the Easter break for our Year 11 students. These are open to all students studying those particular subjects so we hope that your son/daughter will take up as many as possible. Each session will start at either 9:00am or 12:30pm and will last two and a half hours (unless otherwise communicated by that particular subject or in the table below). We do ask that all students are on time as latecomers cause unnecessary disruption to the learning of the other students.

Please email me, smccavish@prospect.reading.sch.uk, if you have any questions or comments.

Date	Subject	Teacher	AM/PM	Venue
Monday 8 April	Computing	Ms Nakimbugwe	AM & PM	C24
Monday 8 April	Computing	Mr Paudyal	AM only	C23
Monday 8 April	Science	Mrs Dowling	AM & PM	B14
Monday 8 April	EAL – Science	Ms Khan	AM only	D5
Monday 8 April	EAL – English	Ms Khan	PM only	D5
Tuesday 9 April	Art	Miss Pittman Mr Brixton Ms Butler	AM & PM	Art Block
Tuesday 9 April	Technology	Miss Ridgus	AM & PM	L07
Tuesday 9 April	EAL – Science	Ms Khan	AM only	D5
Tuesday 9 April	EAL – Maths	Ms Khan	PM only	D5
Wednesday 10 April	I Media	Ms Nakimbugwe	AM & PM	C24
Wednesday 10 April	I Media	Mr Paudyal	AM only	C23
Wednesday 10 April	Science	Mrs Dowling	AM & PM	B14
Wednesday 10 April	EAL - Science	Ms Khan	AM only	D5
Wednesday 10 April	EAL – Languages	Ms Khan	PM only	D5
Thursday 11 April	English	Ms Mahere	10:00am to 12:00pm & 12:30pm to 2:30pm	A12
Friday 12 April	English	Ms Mahere	10:00am to 12:00pm & 12:30pm to 2:30pm	A12
Monday 15 April	English WTM Paper 1	Mr Furkins	AM only	School Hall
Monday 15 April	French & German	Ms Mumford Ms Smith	PM only	L13 & L17

EASTER REVISION SESSIONS cont'd

Date	Subject	Teacher	AM/PM	Venue
Monday 15 April	I Media	Mr Parry	AM & PM	C21
Tuesday 16 April	Business Studies	Mr Asam/Mr Littlemore	AM & PM	B01
Tuesday 16 April	Technology	Miss Ridgus	AM & PM	L07
Wednesday 17 April	English WTM Paper 2	Mr Furkins	AM only	School Hall
Thursday 18 April	History WTM	Miss McCabe & all history teachers	AM only	School Hall

SUPER SATURDAYS

Please find a list of all Super Saturdays on offer for Year 11 students below. This list will be updated each week. Teachers will have informed their students already, if they are required to attend these sessions. Please do e-mail me if you have any questions regarding this. smccavish@prospect.reading.sch.uk

Date	Subject	Teacher	Times	Room
6 April	Product Design	Miss Prior NSM group only	9.30am – 12.00pm 12.00pm – 2.30pm	B2
13 April	English Literature	Ms Mahere	10:00am – 12:00pm 12:30pm – 2:30pm	A12
20 April	English Literature	Ms Mahere	10:00am – 12:00pm 12:30pm – 2:30pm	A12
27 April	English Literature	Ms Mahere	10:00am – 12:00pm 12:30pm – 2:30pm	A12
4 May	English Literature	Ms Mahere	10:00am – 12:00pm 12:30pm – 2:30pm	A12
11 May	English Literature	Ms Mahere	10:00am – 12:00pm 12:30pm – 2:30pm	A12

Year 11 Intervention

Period 6 Open Sessions

Sessions include:

- Answering exam-style questions
- Plotting graphs
- Formulae & equations
- Time management
- Revision tips
- Helping on individual areas of weakness

Physics

Every Tuesday – B11

Every Thursday – B11

Biology

Every Wednesday – C4

Every Thursday – C6

Chemistry

Every Tuesday – B12

(Foundation only)

Tuesday (Week 2 only) – B21

Every Wednesday – C3

Every Thursday – B21

Puzzle of the week



Four different numbers add up to a total of 45.

The first number has 2 added to it.

The second has 2 subtracted from it.

The third is multiplied by 2.

The fourth is divided by 2.

The new four numbers created by the above operations are all the same!

What were the original four numbers?



Answer will be in
the next newsletter

Last issue's answer: £35

What's occurring?



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Event	Details
2018 – 2019	Term Four	Monday 25 February – Friday 5 April
2018 – 2019	Term Five	Tuesday 23 April – Friday 24 May



REPORT DATES

Year Groups	Scheduled between
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
Sat 6 – Wed 10 Apr	Sicily	9 & 10

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?

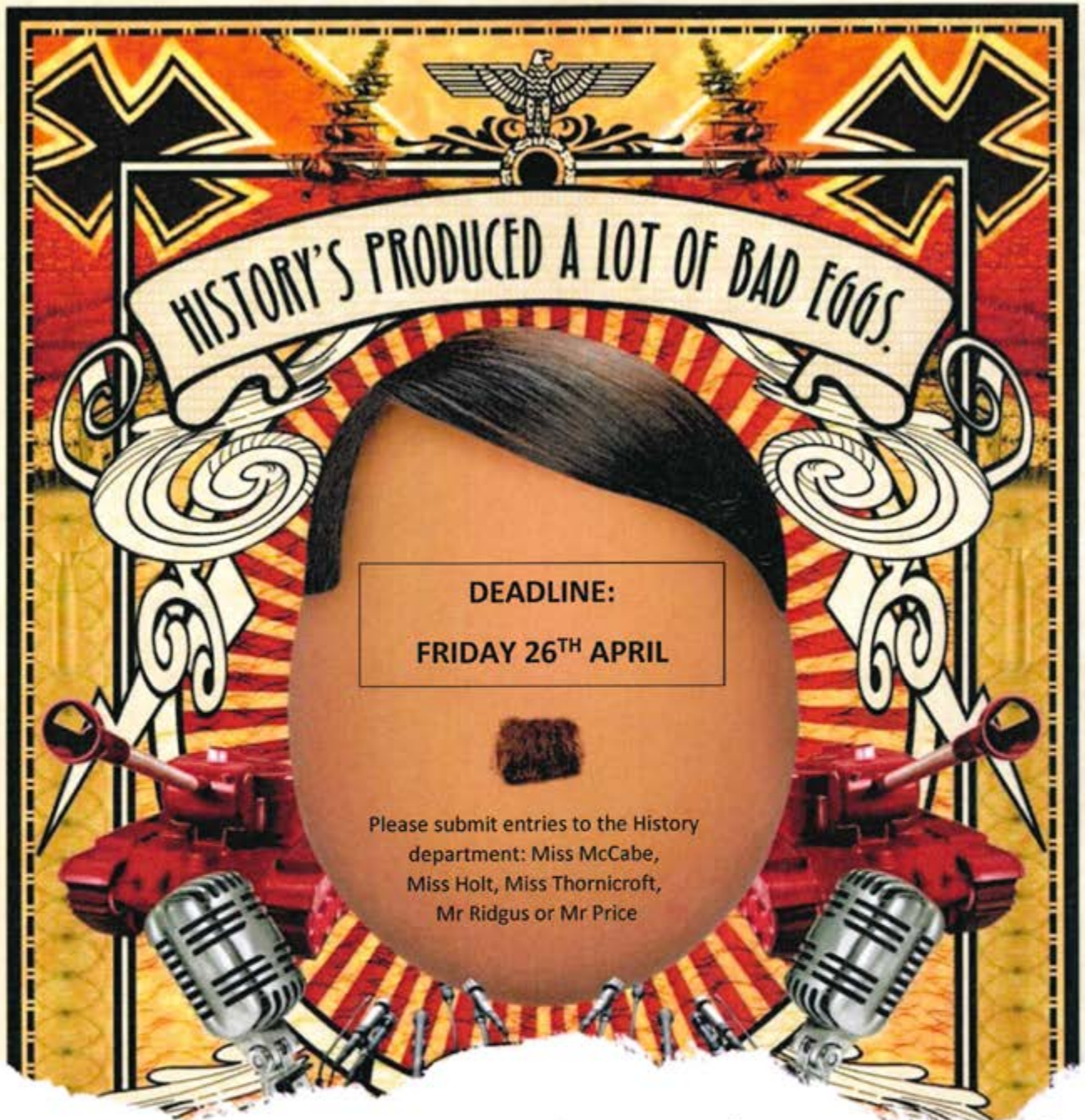
Subject	Year Groups	Day	Time	Location
Art				
Coursework Catch Up	9-11	Monday	3.00pm-4.00pm	Art Block
Coursework Catch Up	9-11	Wednesday	3.00pm-4.00pm	Art Block
Coursework Catch Up	9-11	Thursday	3.00pm-4.00pm	Art Block
Computing				
Hi-Flyers Workshop	10-13	Tuesday	2.45pm-3.45pm	C23
Computer Science Clinic	10-13	Wednesday	1.15pm-1.45pm	C24
Cyber Stars	7-9	Thursday	1.15pm-1.45pm	C21
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		Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	Music Studio
KS4 Drama Workshop	9-11	Friday	1.15pm-1.45pm	A02/LSH
General				
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
German				
GCSE Revision – Listening/Reading Skills	11	Wednesday	10.45am-11.15am	L11 (Mrs McCavish)
Health & Social Care				
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

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Subject	Year Groups	Day	Time	Location
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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P.E.				
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	
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



DEADLINE:

FRIDAY 26TH APRIL

Please submit entries to the History department: Miss McCabe, Miss Holt, Miss Thornicroft, Mr Ridgus or Mr Price

CAN YOU PRODUCE A GOOD ONE?

HARD BOILED HUMANITIES

EASTER EGG COMPETITION

Easter Holiday Challenge