



marches school

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MARCHES WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

Years 7 and 8 Exams

The two year groups have done very well throughout the week, locating the correct venue, learning their exam number and working hard on their papers. There has been a great deal of learning about how to behave in an exam and the rules that need to be in place, a vital piece of their training for the GCSE exams to come in the years ahead.

Year 9 Options

Parents and carers will be receiving their options confirmation letters in the coming weeks in response to families who would like to use the summer buying support texts. Reading lists can be found on the website [here](#). These are not compulsory to following the course but are given as a supportive list.

Uniform

With summer purchases around the corner, please be reminded that the correct uniform can be found with pictures on the school website [here](#). Skirts must be purchased for a September start, being no more than 2cm above the knee and trousers should be school style not tight and low cut. Shoes should have no markings and not be trainer style. Checks will be made in September and the high standard of uniform maintained.

Parent Forum

On Monday 10th July we have the Milk homework app developer in school; a parent forum is available from 5.00 p.m. until 6.00 p.m. in the Library. To allow us to plan for the right number please email [Mr Whitworth](#), advising of your name, child's name and the number of seats you require. There is still time to book a seat to come and talk about how you feel the app is working and any features you would like to see added. The Parent Forum is also an opportunity to raise any issue with senior staff. Please drop-in if you wish to do so.

Mrs A Pearson, Associate Headteacher

Family Fun Day

Hundreds of people descended upon The Marches School in Oswestry on Saturday and enjoyed an abundance of fun and entertainment during its annual Family Fun Day. The event, sponsored by Oswestry-based Arla Foods and raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support saw families flocking to make the most of the sunshine and the variety of activities, live entertainment and local craft producers the day had to offer. Children battled with their friends wearing sumo suits, pedalled their way to make delicious smoothies on a bike competition in the Arla Tent, bounced their way on inflatables, enjoyed pony rides, crazy golf, nerf guns, rodeo bull and the fun fair. There was definitely something for everyone to enjoy.



Summer Term School Trips and Events

- Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award qualifying expedition:
8th – 10th July
- Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award qualifying expedition:
15th – 16th July

M-Fest



Operating Theatre Live

Last Friday Year 10 science students had the amazing opportunity to be involved in an Operating Theatre Live workshop. They took part in range of activities from making anaesthetics based on body mass, to dissections of all manner of organs from brains to kidneys!



Harper Adams University

Year 9 students went to Harper Adams University for a Big Bang STEM trip on Wednesday 5th July. The trip was designed to encourage participation in STEM and the possibility of going on to study at higher education.



Reminders

If for any reason your child loses a letter, letters can be downloaded and viewed on the Parent & Student section of the School Website under Letters. If your child is absent for any reason, please let us know by 8:30 a.m. Call the School on 01691 664400 and choose option 1. Please leave your child's name, form, house and reason for absence.

Term Dates

Summer Term 2017

Monday 24th April – Friday 21st July

PD Days: Monday 24th July, Tuesday 25th July

Autumn Term 2017

Tuesday 5th September to Thursday 21st December 2017

Please note – Tuesday 5th September is for Years 7 and 12

ONLY. Students in Years 8-11 and Year 13 will return on

Wednesday 6th September

Half term Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October 2017

PD day Monday 4th September

Car Washing

On Wednesday, the Marches Apprenticeship group ran their 'Pop-Up Car Wash' as their business project for their VCert qualification.



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