



marches school

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MARCHES WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us at our Carol Concert last night. The talent on display was a joy to hear and see.

This term has been a fast one, but reflecting back, we have never fitted in so many extra-curricular trips, events and experiences for students to grasp and grow from - from the Year 13 visit to a prison to Rewards shopping expeditions for 300 students; there has been a World War One experience day, numerous theatre visits, sporting tournaments, Lego championships, Young Enterprise, New York and Nice visits, Science University days, Duke of Edinburgh award and many, many more.

We are fortunate to have many staff who will put on these additional activities that bring learning to life; we know how valuable they are to a child's time in school and the lifelong impact they can make above the normal school day. These experiences continue in the New Year; please encourage your child to be involved when the opportunity comes.

Year 9 Exam Information – this has been sent in an email – please contact Miss Cooke on cooke.s@marchesschool.net if you have not received this important email detailing the content of each subject's exam paper.

We wish all parents, carers and students a safe and happy Christmas and look forward to beginning the new term for teachers and students on Tuesday 3rd January. There is no PD day as may be the case in other local schools.

Mrs A Pearson, Associate Headteacher

Term Dates

Tuesday 6th September – Friday 16th December
Christmas Holiday: Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January
Tuesday 3rd January – Start of Spring term

Christmas Decoration Competition

This week students and staff have been busy decorating their classrooms for the annual Christmas Decoration Competition. The judges were impressed by the creativity shown and enjoyed sweet treats along the way, made by the students themselves. There was even a special appearance from Mr Lane's "Reindeer"!



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.

House Points

Bonington - 1856 Mallory - 1764
Whittaker - 1534 Hargreaves -
2024 Stephens - 1732

Spring School Trips

Erasmus Switzerland: 20th - 26th January
Year 13 Psychology Day: 13th February
Year 9 RAF Cosford: 17th February
Year 11 Jaguar ICAT: 17th February
Austria Ski Trip: 18th - 25th February
Erasmus Greece: 17th - 23rd March
A Level Geography Fieldwork: 28th - 31st March
Years 12 and 13 Andalucia Tour: 8th - 13th April

Eggheds Competition

Last week we held our annual Eggheds House Competition. The competition, based on the popular TV quiz show, had students competing for their house against the eggheds team made up of staff. All students completed a multiple choice quiz during their academic mentoring sessions and the highest scorers represented their house against the staff. Questions were based on a variety of topics with a difficulty level that tested both the students and staff alike.

- 1st Place – Whittaker
- 2nd Place - Stephens
- 3rd Place - Hargreaves
- 4th Place – Mallory
- 5th Place – Bonington

The competition was a huge success and well done to the Whittaker team for beating the eggheds.



Whitchurch 10k Run

The Marches Academy Trust is running a 10K run through our partner school Sir John Talbot's in Whitchurch. Participants in the 10K event can be aged 15 upward but there are activities for all ages. Whether taking part in the run or simply joining us for a fun event details can be found [here](#).

Sir John Talbot's School
WHITCHURCH 10K
9th April 2017
start time 10.00am
On the day family activities
Fun Run Registration
on the day for ages
4 - 6, 7 - 10, 10 - 13 YO A
Please register at:
www.regevent.co.uk
for further information:
www.sirjohntalbots.co.uk
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Christmas Card Competition

Well done to everyone who took part in the Christmas Card competition; there were some fantastic entries. Congratulations to Yazmin Aktar who came 1st, Tilly Sayce Evans who came 2nd, Beam Chaitaveep who came 3rd, James Wiggins who came 4th and Penny Wallace who came 5th. The Christmas Cards with all the winning designs on have been sent out to a number of people.

First Place:



Second Place:



Third Place:



CHALK Present Donations

Thank you to all students and their families who have donated presents for individuals who find themselves isolated and alone, to open at the CHALK Christmas Lunch on Christmas Day. This will bring them some much needed Christmas cheer. Staff at The Marches and CHALK are extremely grateful for your generosity.