



marches school

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MARCHES WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 11 Resilience Day and Parents' Evening Event

The event yesterday went really well with students learning about relaxation, resilience and a host of revision strategies with our guest speaker. Feedback has been very positive and our students were also great hosts to the Year 11 students from Sir John Talbot's who joined us for the day. For those parents who attended the evening event, I am sure that you found the event to be just as valuable.



Year 9 Harper Adams University visit

The two half years will be visiting Harper Adams University on either Monday or Tuesday next week as they start to consider life beyond school. All permission slips should now be in. If you have any questions about the event, please contact [Miss Peacock](#).

Parent Forum

Advance notice of the next parent forum taking place on Thursday 8th February. There will be a range of topics to give your thoughts on – including our review and revamp of the Rewards System in school. We will share times and the full list of topics closer to the event which we would value your views on in the coming weeks. As always, there will be provision for any parent or carer to also drop-in to voice views or concerns about any aspect of the school at the event.

Thinking of our neighbours

A plea for parents/carers waiting for students in local residential streets to turn-off their engines whilst they wait, to reduce pollution for the residents and support us in being a considerate neighbour.

Mrs A Pearson, Associate Headteacher

SIXTH FORM

YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE...

Taster Day // Saturday 3 February // 9.30am - 12pm

Register online now!

The Sixth Form application deadline is on Monday 19 February.



100 Year Celebratory Event for Thomas Simmonds

Yesterday Year 11 student Thomas Simmonds was invited to join staff at Furrows Car Centre to celebrate their 100 year anniversary. For over a year Thomas has been working at Furrows on Fridays as part of The Marches Apprenticeship Programme. On being asked to cut the celebratory cake, Jane Coward, Business Owner, commented, "We welcome our newest recruit, Thomas Simmonds into the Furrows family, following the successful completion of his exams this summer."



Cross-trust Krakow Trip

Year 12 students Joanna Richards and Michcah Worswick along with students from Sir John Talbot's School recently returned from a trip to Krakow in Poland. The trip taught the students about life in Krakow from medieval times, through the Holocaust and World War II era, to life under Communism post 1945. A study tour of Auschwitz-Birkenau was the main focus of the visit. However they also toured the Jewish quarter and Krakow ghetto, visiting various sites shown in the film 'Schindler's List'. They were also privileged to meet Holocaust survivor, Monika Goldwasser. The students found her personal story of survival very moving.



£5000 for the Futures Award



On Monday, Year 10 students proudly visited the Oswestry Town Council offices to be presented with a £5000 cheque from Mayor Vince Hunt to further support The Marches School's Futures Award. Students who collected the cheque and who are pictured above are: William Bachelor, Georgi Varlinkov, Gancho Ganchev, Hattie Leslie-Miller, Victoria Ray, Evelyn Cleaton, Ellie Burnett, Jessica Michie and Yasmin Aktar.

Beauty and the Beast

We have a large cast rehearsing hard for our production this year, taking place in the last week of this half term and it would be great to have a hall full each night to support them and enjoy the amazing talents we have at the school; there are star turns from Year 13 right down to Year 7.



House Competition - 500 words Monday 22nd – Friday 26th January

The Marches
'Big Write'

Write an original story, on any subject or theme, in 500 Words or fewer

Deadline: Friday 26th January

Reminder

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

Spring Term 2018

Monday 8th January to Thursday 29th March 2018
Half term Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February 2018

PD day Monday 26th February

Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April to Friday 20th July 2018
Half term Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June 2018

PD days Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th July

Term Dates 2018 - 2019

For further term dates for the academic year 2018 – 2019 please click [here](#).

Parent Information Meetings

Auschwitz Visit in February Half Term - A parent information meeting will take place on Thursday 25th January at 5:30 p.m.

Brussels Visit in February Half Term - A parent information meeting will take place on Tuesday 6th February 6:00 p.m.

Conover Visit on Saturday 17th March - A Parent information meeting will take place on Wednesday 7th February at 5:00 p.m.

French Ski Visit in Easter - A parent information meeting will take place on Wednesday 7th February 6:00 p.m.

Bonington – 782

Mallory – 630

Whittaker – 542

Hargreaves – 659

Stephens - 604