



marches school
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MARCHES WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 11 Parents/Carers – One event not to miss The Countdown to Success Evening on Thursday 17th January at 6:00pm

All Year 11 students will be spending the day focusing on resilience and revision skills, with our main speaker once again, Karim from London. The evening is for parents to hear Karim's interactive and highly engaging training focused on how we can hold onto learning. In addition, and new for this year, we will be equipping you with some vital revision techniques to support your child in the weeks ahead. Please register [here](#) to confirm your attendance.

The evening is always a highlight of the year for Year 11 and I do hope you will join us next week.

If bringing a younger child with you would support you being able to attend, please feel free to bring them along. Your child in Year 11 is also welcome, however they will have heard Karim's talk in the day and so the evening is primarily aimed at parents and carers.

Year 10 Parents Evening – Thursday 24th January

With students taking English Literature in May and other subjects now, at least halfway through their courses, this is a vital event to be able to speak directly to your child's teachers.

If you are concerned that your child is not making the appointments that you would like, please contact Mr Pritchard, Progress Leader for Year 10, at pritchard.d@mmat.co.uk for support. To register for this event, please click [here](#).

A map of subject locations is attached to allow you to plan your appointments to reduce movement if you would like to use it.

School of Rock

School of Rock, this year's school performance takes place at the end of the term. We are all getting excited about what is in store because the track record of performances here has been so strong and the preview the school enjoyed at our whole school Christmas assembly sounded great. With four sold-out nights last year, tickets are sure to go fast at just £4 for an adult seat. Please do not miss out - tickets are available from main reception.

Mrs Pearson, Associate Headteacher

Winter Newsletter

The Marches School Winter 2018 Newsletter is now available to view by clicking on the thumbnail here:



Cheque Presentation

Last term, we participated in World Polio Day as we combined with Oswestry Rotary Club to raise awareness and the importance of eradicating the serious viral disease, which attacks the nervous system, usually seen in children under the age of 5.

We sold badges in the shape of a purple crocus to the staff and the children, and for just £1, a badge will help to save the lives of two children, which was matched by the rotary, so in effect, it will save the lives of four children.

Along with the students, Mr. Soper from Oswestry Rotary Club planted 5000 purple crocus bulbs at the front of the school, which are due to flower in the spring.

This week, Head Boy Dan Lee and Head Girl Hattie Leslie-Miller presented a cheque to Rotary Club members, which was for £941.44.



New York Trip 2020

Following the success of the New York trip last term, we are now preparing our visit to New York for current Year 9 students in 2020.

Please follow this link to view a letter with information on the trip:

<http://marchesschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Trust-NY-Trip-2020-1.pdf>



Sixth Form Taster Morning

We will be hosting a Sixth Form Taster Morning on Saturday 2nd February between 9am and 12pm. Students who are interested in or who have applied for September 2019 entry to Sixth Form are encouraged to attend.

Attendees will have two taster sessions which will consist of a choice from the 24 A Level courses and the 6 BTEC courses that we offer at the Marches School Sixth Form.

To register for the Taster Morning, please click [here](#).

Rotary Chef Competition

We would like to congratulate Alex Kapal, Kane Rowbotham and Alex Yianni, who came first, second and third respectively in a Rotary Cooking Competition that took place before Christmas.

The participants were required to create three courses with just £20 to spend in less than two hours. It is a national competition, which is judged by professional chefs and people within the food industry.

We would like to congratulate them on their success and their delicious meals. Alex Kapal will now move on to the next round – good luck Alex!



Beam

Beam is operated by The Children's Society who work as part of the Bee-U Emotional Health and Wellbeing service across Shropshire. They are a multi-disciplinary team made up of therapists, youth workers and wellbeing volunteers.

Beam offer a drop-in and open-access service to children and young people up to the age of 25, as well as their parents and carers.

The service recognises that by simply listening to the experience of young people, their parents and carers can make all the difference. The aim is to give advice, signposting and support with any concerns relating to mental and emotional wellbeing.

Opening times:

Mondays 2pm – 6pm

Hollinswood Neighbourhood Centre, Telford, TF3 2EW

Tuesdays 2pm-6pm

Upstairs at Palmer's Café, Claremont Street, Shrewsbury, SY1 1QG

Careers Event

There is a Shropshire Apprentice event taking place on Tuesday 5th February. For further information on apprenticeships, or for any careers related details, please contact Careers Advisor Mrs Murphy on careers@mmat.co.uk.

TUES 5 FEB 2019

ALL ABOUT apprenticeships

3pm – 7.30pm at
Shrewsbury Town Football Club
For more information visit
shropshireapprenticeships.co.uk

Find out about career opportunities available in Shropshire.

#ShropApprentice

Local Plan Review – Site Allocations Consultation Meeting

Shropshire Council's Planning Policy Team launched the 'Preferred Sites' Consultation which has and will run from Thursday 29th November 2018 to Thursday 31st January 2019. During this time there will be several public meetings open to all, throughout the county where the Local Plan process and local development proposals will be explained. There will be the opportunity to highlight issues, specific concerns and suggest alternatives to the preferred approach set out in the consultation document.

The Oswestry Place Plan area meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th January 2019 at The Marches School and will commence at 7:00pm.

Further information can be found on the Shropshire Council website [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Community Enablement Officer, Corrie Davies at corrie.davies@shropshire.gov.uk or Planning Policy on planningpolicy@shropshire.gov.uk.

Sport Fixtures – 14th to 18th January

Tuesday 15th January

12.00pm: Primary Basketball Tournament

Thursday 17th January

3:00pm: Primary Indoor Athletics Tournament

Term Dates

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th January to Friday 12th April

Half term: Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February

PD Days: Friday 15th February, Monday 25th February

Summer Term 2019

Monday 29th April to Friday 19th July

Half term: Monday 27th to Friday 31st May

PD Day: Monday 22nd July

Term dates for the academic year 2019 – 2020 can be found online [here](#).

Bonington – 1131

Mallory – 1033

Whittaker – 954

Hargreaves – 1072

Stephens - 1054

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