



marches school

Issue 6

Friday 20th October 2017



MARCHES WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 7 Transition Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended this event, feedback was very positive. We read and reflect on all your comments and will be adding a parents' meeting before the Colomendy trip next year. We will also be reminding all staff to use the MILK app for homework.

We understand parent's frustration with buses that stop mid-route for a driver's break – sadly, all the buses used by students are service buses, out of the control of the school. Finally, we agree that some parking in nearby streets is an issue and remind parents and carers that our advice is to make arrangements with your child to meet further away from school if they need a lift home.

Sixth Form Open Evening was a strong success last night. If you missed this event and would like to know more about how to apply please click [here](#).

Year 11 Countdown. There are 30 weeks to go before the big exams, and at this early stage, we are not yet adding to the tension, but you will begin to receive emails from Mr Kemble, with the first phase of the plans focusing on keeping healthy and well fed, ready for the months ahead. We hope you find the programme useful and Mr Kemble is always happy to have your feedback Kemble.m@marchesschool.net.

Compass

Compass is the single point of contact for receiving new enquiries regarding concerns for the welfare or protection of children and young people in Shropshire. The Compass team have asked that we share the link to their new [webpage](#).

You may also find [this page](#) useful for guidance from **Shropshire Family Information Service (FIS)** who have developed a number of information packs for some of the more typical enquires it receives from parents or practitioners supporting children, young people and families. The packs contain information about local and national services and support, as well as resources aimed at children, young people and families.

Mrs A Pearson, Associate Headteacher

North Shropshire Rugby Champions

The Year 8 Rugby team are North Shropshire Champions after competing at a tournament at Whitchurch Rugby Club on Wednesday.



Sailing Course

8 students from The Marches and Sir John Talbot's Sixth Forms completed their level one RYA start sailing course on Wednesday evening. Thanks to John and Chris from the sailing club!



The Marches Bake Off!

The final of the House Bake-Off took place after school on Wednesday, the standard was very high and judging was a challenge, with Mallory house coming out on top with their strawberry topped, jam filled buns with a two-tone frosting – they were delicious and light. The event was then completed with the staff round last night and an equally difficult judging with Bonington house coming out on top. We look forward to the Big Debate, coming next half term.



Term Dates

Autumn Term 2017

Tuesday 5th September to Thursday 21st December 2017

Half term Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October 2017

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](#).

Cross Country

We had amazing results at the North Shropshire Cross Country competition this week. Years 7 and 9 boys' teams and Years 8, 9 and 10/11 girls' teams all came first place. Years 10 and 11 boys came second. The Marches School were overall winners.



The Marches School Autumn 2017 Newsletter

Please click on the image below to read the Autumn 2017 Newsletter.



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.

Bonington – 274

Mallory – 165

Whittaker – 212

Hargreaves – 239

Stephens - 204