



MARCHES WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 7 Parent Tutor meetings

Thank you to all parents who attended last night, the turnout was very high with quality conversations taking place regarding how our new Year 7 students have settled into their studies.

Students Chosen Charity vote

Last week all the students took part in our annual event to choose a local charity to support for this year. The whole school assembly was led by the Year 11 Leadership Group who began by presenting a cheque to last year's charity, Hope House.

Three local charities came to the assembly and each gave a short presentation about what their charity does and how it benefits from donations. The students all voted using counters into boxes as they left the assembly.

As a result, the students have chosen to support The Harry Johnson Trust. Harry was a child who sadly died at age 7 from cancer. His family now run the Trust to allow other children and teenagers going through the same thing to have experiences that make life that little bit easier.

The students listened well to Harry's grandfather talk about Harry and the Trust's work and were clearly moved by what he shared.

If you would like to know more, please visit The Harry Johnson Trust website at:

<https://www.theharryjohnsontrust.co.uk/>

Mrs Pearson, Associate Headteacher

Sixth Form Open Evening

The Marches School Sixth Form Open Evening takes place on Wednesday 24th October between 6 and 8pm.

The Sixth Form Open Evening is an ideal opportunity for Year 11 students to meet staff, discuss career options and take the first steps towards their future.

The event can be found on Facebook [here](#).

To register for this event, please follow this link:

<http://marchesschool.co.uk/event/sixth-form-open-evening-3/>

Explore. Think. Laugh. Discover. Believe.
Smile. Question. Consider. Focus. Enjoy.
Challenge. Grow. Succeed.
Your future starts here...

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Battlefields Trip

Two Year 11 students travelled to France this week as they went on a Battlefields Trip to aid their work in GCSE History. It was a highly beneficial trip. They went to Lijssenthoek Cemetery and Passchendaele Memorial Museum, before attending the ceremony at Menin Gate on Monday.



They then headed to the Somme, a German cemetery (Frikorps) and the Thiepval memorial.

On Wednesday they visited Tyne Cot and watching the Journeys End play before setting off for home.

Years 8 and 9 Parent Event

There is a Years 8 and 9 Parent Event taking place next Thursday, 18th October from 6pm.

To register for the Year 8 event, please click [here](#), and to register for the Year 9 event, please click [here](#).

Year 7 Volcano Project

Year 7 students in Miss Jordan's class have been focusing on volcanoes recently and their projects were brought in and presented this week.

The students made their projects by building and annotating their volcanoes with paper, card, papier-mâché, Lego and one even made a Bake Off style cake! Well done to all of the students.



Stage Performer

Year 7 student Chloe Beddows will be performing in the stage production of Mother Goose at Theatre Severn in Shrewsbury towards the end of the calendar year.

Chloe, who auditioned during the summer, is a part of the Face2Face Performance Academy and is looking forward to seeing her friends who she performed with in a production last year.



With an aim since she was just 6 years old of making it to the West End, Chloe will star in 24 productions at Theatre Severn, as well as two more with Face2Face and The Marches School productions of School of Rock early in 2019.

Chloe's friends and family will be visiting to watch her perform with her grandad visiting from London to see one of the stage performances and her mum watching three performances. Good luck Chloe.

South African Cricket Tour

Year 8 student Henry Walker is going to be representing Shropshire County Cricket Club Under 13 Team on their tour of South Africa in February.

Henry describes himself as a bowler who can bat, having scored his maiden half century for Shropshire in 2018.

The Oswestry Cricket Club youngster is one of 15 cricketers who will be on the tour and is looking forward to playing in the seven fixtures against a variety of local opposition out of his own comfort zone, as well as seeing local history and culture.



Cyber Safety

We are pleased to announce all students now have fully functioning Office 365 accounts. Office 365 provides access to full Office software (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook as well as OneNote and Sway) anywhere with an Internet connection.



The service also gives users access to OneDrive which provides 1 TB of cloud storage, so now all files can be accessed on the go!

Access the account by searching for Office 365 online, select log in page and enter username (as used to log into the school computers) followed by @mmat.co.uk. Password again is the same as used to access the school network.

If there are any issues students can ask a member of the ICT support or teaching team.

Netball

The Marches School were celebrating double success this week as both Year 10 and Year 8 sides won their home tournaments on Wednesday afternoon.

The Year 10 side went undefeated and beat Corbet School in the final 16-11. The Year 8 'A' side were also unbeaten and they defeated Oswestry School 6-5 in a close-fought final. The Year 8 'B' and 'C' sides battled well against their opponents, some excellent netball was played and superb attitude was shown throughout.



Well done to our Year 11 Netball Team who travelled to Much Wenlock this week to compete in the Shropshire County Tournament.

The girls played in 8 games, winning twice, losing 4 times and drawing twice, finishing a very creditable fourth place out of nine teams. Well done to all of girls who have represented the school this week.



Term Dates

Autumn Term 2018

Tuesday 4th September to Friday 21st December
Half term: Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November
PD Day: Friday 26th October

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](#).

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