

### Dear Parents and Carers,

**Alton Towers is back!** – and we are planning to go big – we are currently recruiting as many staff as possible to allow us to try to beat the 500 students we took three years ago – each staff member allows us to take 15 students. We are so fortunate to have a body of staff who enjoy spending time out of hours with the students and invest their weekend to allow these and all other trips and events to happen. The trip will open at 3pm on Monday and will be on a first come first serve basis – with open access to all students - they all deserve this one. For now, here's a 2016 throwback of a very young looking Mr Pritchard and Mr Walker.



Contact with school is important to us, and one we keep looking at to get right. Our reception team do a fantastic job monitoring our email: [admin@mar.mmat.co.uk](mailto:admin@mar.mmat.co.uk) Tutors and teachers are also available on email. They cannot be taken out of lessons to take a call.

Teachers want to respond to queries at the earliest opportunity; however, the majority of teachers time is taken up on teaching and preparing for lessons. Teacher's responsibilities extend beyond the classroom, and they may be unable to respond to you on the day. Our policy, [here](#), is that there is no expectation to respond during a teacher's time at home.

We are happy to chase up responses where you have not heard back within three working days.

### Build Update

The walls of the new reception are now rising – with window space, it is starting to look like part of the school.

*Mrs Alison Pearson*  
Headteacher



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Gardening Club Steps Up



The team have begun work on the spring and summer displays around the school, as well as working on clearing and tidying some of the flower borders.

### Safer Internet Day

Students in KS3 took part in a lesson following the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online' as part of Safer Internet Day 2022. Several situations were discussed and strategies shared to help deal with issues experienced online. Support and links for parents are [here](#).



### More Sporting Success

The Year 9 Netball team travelled to Ellesmere College to compete in the North Shropshire Netball Tournament.



The elite team of Sixth Form badminton players travelled the long journey to Oswestry School.



### Year 10 Rugby Superstars in the making

Harry Heard and Joshua Burnett representing premiership Worcester Warriors U15s.



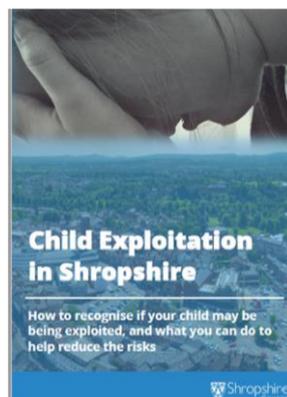
### Beaver Research!

"I am a final year student at Harper Adams University and the subject of my dissertation is the beaver reintroduction project at the Old River Bed SSSI site just outside Shrewsbury town centre.

My research is looking at the public perception of the use of Eurasian Beavers to undertake land management based on a case study of the Old River Bed SSSI site. One of the stakeholder groups I am targeting in particular is the perceptions of local residents, therefore I would love it if you could support me by completing my survey [here](#)."

### Shropshire Child Exploitation

Please see the attached booklet with this bulletin.



## FOCUS

### OsNosh Experience

Thank you to OsNosh for providing this great opportunity.

'It's fun and I am learning how to cook. My favourite dish so far has been the pasta and learning the different processes to make it from fresh'.

'The best bit is eating the delicious food at the end of the session!'



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:

- Week commencing 14th March -
- Years 11/13 Mock Exams continue
- Week commencing 21st March - Futures Week - Careers and Enterprise
- 31st March – Year 11 Parent Consultation Evening

Click [here](#) to view our term dates.



## NEWS

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