

### Dear Parents and Carers,

Half-term has arrived, it has been a packed and very productive seven weeks with exam groups making good progress for their mocks just around the corner.

We have two school trips leaving at the weekend – to **New York** and to **Iceland** – and we are looking forward to hearing about their adventures!

It is great to see sporting teams getting out to compete, and coming back with some wins. A student report from Penny Mason, Captain:

“Our first match was against Priory winning 5-3, this was a good start to the tournament. We went on to win against Church Stretton and draw against Oswestry, but lost a few games too. Kanoon went for every ball, Aimee got free, Elsey lost her player, Issy got in front, Bea's balance was great, Freya intercepted and Summers' shooting was on point.”

### Year 7 Parents' Evening - Tutor meetings feedback

“How great it was to meet staff and have face to face conversations.” “You can see he really cares about the kids in his form”. “Lovely friendly staff as always.” “The teacher was wonderful. I am looking forward to meeting with other teachers in the next parent meeting.” “She was friendly, Listening to me, answering the questions I asked and gave me good feedback.”

Thank you to all our parents and carers! Your support is so important in helping things fly for our students.



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

**Homework** – Last year we reviewed our provision for homework and its role in enabling all students to have the opportunities to continue their learning beyond the classroom, alongside our parent forum group.

All teachers set homework through Office 365 Teams using the assignments' function. You can see details of the homework and deadlines by accessing Teams through your child's log-in details. Further details and guidance can be found in the Home Study area on our website [here](#).

### PE Leadership Skills

8K5 PE students have been working on their leadership skills and leading each other in a warmup. They were then able to give themselves and others feedback using the whiteboards and our assessment criteria. We have some brilliant leaders!

Mrs Newey



### 9K5 Presentation Skills

Food students have been using their presentation skills to create some masterpieces from teacakes, digestives, strawberries with milk and white chocolate.



**Congratulations** to our very own Will Walker in Year 10 who has won the Shropshire Cricket Bowling Award.

### And we are off – Shrek Jr

Over 90 students auditioned, and we are now cast and the rehearsals are underway.

We are looking forward to February when all the work will come together for us all to enjoy.



### First Football Success

The U13 Girls' Football team won their first National Cup game against Madeley.

Captain Hannah Pool said: “Everyone played really well, we just need to work on communication and taking our time on the ball. Overall, it was a very good result for our 1st game.”



## FOCUS



### Eco Schools status with Merit

Mayor of Oswestry, Councillor Olly Rose, congratulates the students: "I'm delighted by this achievement and having heard the detail of what The Marches have been doing to achieve it, it is really remarkable. They set a great example to everyone, showing what can be done at a local level to address climate change and the biodiversity emergency, as they are the adults of the future."



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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



- 20<sup>th</sup> October – Last day of term.
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November – all students return to school.
- 7<sup>th</sup> November to 10<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Week of Events.

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