

### Dear Families,

Well, the start of the exam period for our Year 11 and Year 13 students starts next week. It honestly doesn't seem like 5 minutes ago when they were walking into the Marches as fresh-faced Year 7 students full of anticipation. We are so proud of them – they are working hard in lessons and taking it all in their stride.

For any guidance and timetables, you can visit our exam hub on our website which will be bang up to date next week [here](#). If you have any concerns throughout the exam period regarding your child, please get in touch with the Year 11 team at: [penny.brown@mar.mmat.co.uk](mailto:penny.brown@mar.mmat.co.uk) We know that the exam period time can also be a challenge for parents and carers too – we are thinking of you also over the weeks ahead.

Our whole school push this half-term is **keeping the standards high**. Students should be equipped for learning every day with a stocked pencil case, calculator, planner, reading book and a water bottle. We value your support in checking your child has these in their bag each night. The Scientific Calculator we recommend is the Casio fx-83.

### Futures Diversity Half-Term

It has been so nice to see our students getting involved in all the activities around our Diversity half-term. Year 7 students had a talk from Guide Dog UK, Year 8 have celebrated the Paralympics as part of our focus on disability and Year 9 have taken part in an anti-racism workshop.



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Easter Holidays Madrid Football Tour

An amazing time had by all!



### The Queen came to Shrewsbury



Ms Boy and Fergus Young (Year 13) had the pleasure of playing for the Queen in Shrewsbury with the Shrewsbury Brass Band. They also bumped into James Watson (Year 12) who volunteered with the St John's Ambulance for the event.

### Sixth Form Students support Year 11

Our sixth forms students helped the GCSE students prepare for their speaking exams in Spanish.



Mrs Coopman

### Year 10 GCSE Food Preparation

Year 10 GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition students have started preparing skills for their practical coursework next year.



## FOCUS Well done Tabitha!



Our annual planner design competition took place recently, with first place being awarded to Tabitha Land in Year 9 from Stephens house.

## Planner Design Winner 2024 – 2025



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Year 7 Parents' Evening (face-to-face)
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – last day of this half-term

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## NEWS

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