

Dear Families,

I hope you have had a wonderful week. We've had an exciting time focusing on our Careers Futures Week, despite battling the windy weather. The highlight of the week was undoubtedly our annual Careers Fair. Our students had numerous opportunities to engage with employees and guest speakers through speed networking sessions, where they explored various career paths. It was truly inspiring to see them ask questions and interact with professionals in their fields. We want to thank everyone who dedicated their time to support our students and make Careers Week a success.

Parent Survey

Our annual parent survey is now live and will remain open until 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025. We highly value your input and are eager to hear your views. Working together helps us create an exceptional school environment for our children. Please find the survey link here: [Parent Survey](#)

Collaboration Day

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 marks The Marches Academy Trust's next Collaboration Day. This day provides our teachers with a valuable opportunity to collaborate and ensure that our curriculum remains top-notch. To facilitate this, all students will be working from home on this day.





REMINDERS  
& NOTICES

**Year 9 Creativity Shines!**  
Our talented Year 9 students have been showcasing their amazing creativity in their mocks by physically manipulating their low and high key photography work. Well done Year 9 – we are so proud of you! 📸👏

Mrs Proctor says “With GCSE Options around the corner, it is a great opportunity for students to see what GCSE expectations look like.”



POWER UP! To GCSE Day

Our Year 11 students took part in a day designed to supercharge their skills, mindset, and motivation for GCSE success!

- 🔑 Highlights of the day included:
- ✅ Inspiring workshops on the importance of sleep, managing stress, exam skills and staying motivated.
  - ✅ A fantastic guest speaker, Karim Al-Abbas from Enlighten Education, who showed us just how powerful our brains really are! 🧠
  - ✅ Students learning practical strategies like dual coding, mind mapping, and goal setting to prepare for their mocks and final exams.

Let's keep the momentum going, Year 11! You've got this! 🌟



Fun with Motors – Robotics Club

The Robotics Club had great fun looking at how motors work with Ms Hindle and Mr Humphreys.



Don't forget to get tickets!



Please click on the link below to buy tickets for Grease the Musical, running from Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025 - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025. <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EFLB>

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events.  
Events at a glance:  
6<sup>th</sup> February – Year 9 Options Family Event  
11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> February – Grease the Musical  
14<sup>th</sup> February – Collaboration Day  
17<sup>th</sup> February – Half-term break starts

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NEWS

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