

Dear Families,

Welcome to the first bulletin of the new academic year. We hope you have had a wonderful summer and found time to relax and make special memories with family and friends. It has been fantastic to welcome students back through the gates this week, and we would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to the families who are joining The Marches for the first time. There is a real sense of excitement as the new year begins, with lots planned to bring learning to life and create opportunities for every student to succeed and get involved.

Families who are not new will know that our **holiday dates** are different from some other schools, we have a longer break in October, but a later start to the summer holiday. The dates are [here](#) for your planning. Dates include PD Days and three Collaboration Days where students work remotely at home – we will share everything you need to know about these as they come closer. **The first Collaboration Day is Friday 25th September 2026.**

As always, we are at our best by working together, managing any concerns quickly. Your initial point of contact is your child’s Crew Leader, and they will email you to introduce themselves to you. In your communication with the school, please be mindful of our policy [here](#). Staff are not able to monitor their mail throughout the day, but will respond in line with our policy.



REMINDERS & NOTICES

Celebrating GCSE Results Day



Celebrating A Level Results Day



One of the real highlights of results days is seeing staff and students come together to share the experience. There is a genuine sense of community at The Marches, and the strong relationships our staff build with students were clear to see as they celebrated achievements, offered encouragement and supported young people with their next steps.



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We would like to take this opportunity to remind families about our Trust-wide *Code of Conduct for Responsible Adults and Dealing with Abusive Persons Policy*. At The Marches, we work hard to create a community where everyone feels **Ready, Respectful and Safe**. We value the positive relationships we have with our families and ask that all communication with staff reflects the same respect and kindness that we expect from our students. Thank you for your continued support. [Policies - Marches School, Shropshire](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Thursday 17th September – Open Evening
Thursday 24th September – New intake Welcome Event for Year 12
Friday 25th September – Collaboration Day
Thursday 1st October – Year 10 Welcome to GCSE Evening

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



NEWS

Click [here](#) to view our latest news articles.

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