



Marlborough News

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A Year 8's Tour De France

On the 27th of May, 2017 sixty Year 8 students set off on a five day trip to France. While the dull, grey Saturday morning might have been enough to extinguish most people's hope, the milling Year 8s excitement seemed to grow and expand, much like Mr Henshall's nerves. However, in his capable hands, the students were sure to enjoy their Modern Foreign Languages Trip.

While the students were excited, many parents left the Marlborough Science Academy with damp eyes and a deep sense of wonder as to what the next five days would hold in store for their children – they needn't have worried. Within fifteen minutes of setting off, the students upstairs had begun a... some might say enchanting sing-song (others may lean towards deafening) along with texts, pictures and calls being made to those who hadn't come on the trip.

Before they knew it, the students had arrived at Dover and were ready to board the ferry; the vessel for their adventure. Enamoured with their new found freedom, the students roamed the ship yet, kept within a cautious distance from the staff. However, before they knew it they were loaded upon the coach again and heading towards the Canadian War Memorial. They had made it to France! Hurray!

The sights and history students and staff witnessed here were breath-taking and humbling. Walking through the trenches, it was hard not to feel the ghosts of the past and the emotions they would have felt. A sublime and eerie feeling.

As is the nature of such a fun-filled trip, the students (and staff) felt like they were always on the go and before they knew it, they had arrived at



Parc Astérix, a wonderfully quaint and French theme park.

Although much smaller than Disneyland, it was the theme park most students seemed to prefer. The day cumulated in a wonderful acrobatic show which (although completely done in French) the students truly enjoyed and got heavily involved in roaring and shouting.



"Going to France was great - I enjoyed all of it!"

Benjamin Isaacs

"Paris was an amazing experience and given me great memories!" **Matthew Napier**





Finally, the day had arrived – it was time for Disneyland Paris and the atmosphere was electric. The magic and impossibility of Disney came alive through the wonderful construction of rides and sets.

Students had the whole day in Disneyland before meeting up in the evening for a wonderful firework show outside the castle. It was jaw-dropping, a sight that could never be forgotten.



The last leg of the trip saw the students experience France's rich culture and history with trips to: a cheese factory, a medieval town and a chocolate factory. Here, students got to see what France truly has to offer. Students were able to try a range of french cheese and chocolate as well as understanding how a medieval town defended itself and was structured. With all this culture, it seemed only fair we end the trip in a true team building exercise- bowling. In case you are wondering – the girls proved that they were much better than the boys!

Miss Fogarty

'The Disney illuminations were extraordinary! It felt like magic and was beautiful!' Chiara Moffat

"The France trip was great fun a really good trip to go on. I loved it!" Alice Rose



"Paris was amazing!" Molly Whiffin

"Paris was such an amazing experience. I had so much fun with all my friends and especially loved the theme parks." Jade Albert

"The France trip was so memorable because of all the fun places we went to." Isaac Sijuade

Food Aces Day



Last Thursday saw an amazingly talented group of twenty students spend the day creating and developing their skills in Food. Students from Years 7 to 10 made cupcakes which they arranged into a bouquet and the finished results looked amazing. Students also learnt how to create striped meringues which they then sandwiched together with flavoured cream.

All the students who took part should feel incredibly proud of what they made. It was a real pleasure working with them throughout the day. I hope what you made tasted as good as it looked .. I am sure it did! Well done to all of you and thanks to Mrs Gargrave and Mrs Platt for their help throughout the day

Mrs Cuell



'On Food ACES day it was so much fun! It was exciting to create something new and learn new skills. Baking the cupcakes and turning them into flower pots made it too pretty to eat. The meringues were amazing and there was a great feeling of everyone working together.' **Rhianna Patel 7PP**

'I really loved the Food Tech ACES day as I got to work in the atmosphere of a kitchen. I enjoyed the whole day but the one thing that stood out for me was assembling our cupcake bouquet which when finished looked so amazing, it was a pleasure to be part of and I loved every minute of it. Thank you so much.' **Tom Jobson 8JJ**

100% club for May Reading

Accelerated Reader is an initiative introduced in 2012 to encourage reading and improve literacy. All Year 7, 8 and 9 students are involved as well as selected students from other year groups. Students choose a book to read within their identified book levels. When they have finished the book they can go on-line and complete a quiz. If the student passes the quiz (set at 70%), they receive house points and a pinkie will be sent home.



Dear Parent/Carer,

A group of secondary and primary Headteachers and pastoral leads from St Albans and Harpenden are working on a project to build resilience and improve the emotional wellbeing of young people in the area.

In order to do this, we would like to survey parents/carers to collect information that will enable us to be better informed of the parent/carer perspective. Please can I ask that you complete the survey at the link below by the 30th June – it should take no more than 5 minutes to complete and your answers will help to provide us with vital information of how schools can work with parents/carers to build resilience and promote positive emotional wellbeing.

The survey can be found [here](#)

Many thanks for your time.

Mr S Kemp

Assistant Headteacher, Sandringham School

"Roll up, roll up, read all about it!"

The MO, Marlborough's school magazine written by the students for the students is celebrating its second year of making it through to the national finals of Shine, The School Media Awards. The School Media Awards is in its 7th year organised by The Stationers' Foundation, the charity arm of the 600 year old The Stationers' Company. Entrants have to impress over 20 high profile industry judges and Marlborough is one of 30 schools to have made it through to the finals taking place on 19th June at Stationers' Hall in London. The only other local school to make it to the finals is Berkhamsted School. Categories include everything from Best overall Content to Best animation, Best Feature Article to Best Business Strategy. The Mo is competing for Best Front Cover in the magazine category under the watchful eye of Ms Redfern, Natasha Chen, Sophie Brown, Kate Mercer, Candela Orobiteg- Baena from the sixth form have driven some powerful changes to the magazine and created something professional and impressive.

The Mo has previously featured interviews with Rio Ferdinand (Footballer), Dearyanne Todd (The Dressing Room) and Teresa Arbuckle (Beco). All past editions can be found on TMSA website under the 'news' section.





After a successful screening day on Saturday 3rd June **Charlotte Woolley 10CE** has been selected into the Herts County Netball Academy. Congratulations Charlotte, best of luck in your upcoming training and fixtures!
Miss Edwards



An impressive performance from **Kyle Allaway 8PP** meant he achieved a Team Gold medal in Karate and a 3rd place in Kumite (fighting). Kyle won his team event fighting at brown belt/red stripe grade up to age 15 category with the St Albans Karate Club. His last 5 years of thrice weekly training has certainly paid off and he is now attempting to get a black belt.

Congratulations to **Tomiwa Oni 9AS** who won first place at the County Athletics championships last Saturday in the Junior boys high jump competition. He jumped 1.72m which was 12cm further than any other competitor in the competition and more than enough to be the champion.

Team Ellie

Congratulations to **Jade Albert, Olivia Stevenson, Tai Stojanovic, Alice Rose, Amy Narramore, Abby Simpkin, Jenna Hutton and Kayra Karakus** and a selection of mums! on their Pretty Muddy

Run last weekend in aid of Cancer Research. The funds raised to date are £3,700 which is wonderful.

If you would like to contribute to the Team Ellie fundraising please click [here](#).



Maths Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following students:



Year 7

Darcy Moffatt, Akbar Ali, Tilly Craze, Josh Sweeting, Rhianna Patel, Matthew Sands, Denise Xhepa, Fabbih Khan, Yousuf Appane, Micaela Casiero and Sumiya Khanom.

Year 8

Jamie Yon, Kyle Allaway, Maximus Hooper, Phoenix Handman, Alexander Shelley, Millie Leader, Daniel Howell, Jarin Auddity, Elise Wylie, Alicia Davey Pascoe, Louis Silva, Jade Albert and Munawar Shah.

Year 9

Amy Hunt, Heather Grant, Kade Smith, Tahiyah Begum, Nell Delaney, Abbie Stiller, Gemma Vincent, Jennifer Pooley and Connor Cruickshank.

Year 10

Ella Bates, Harriet Lindo, Emily Sibley and Ella Stanley.



DINNER DELIBERATIONS

We would love to hear your family collaborations to the question we pose.

In this day and age is the director or the star in the lead role more important?

We would love to hear your answers, simply email c.burton@marlborough.herts.sch.uk or h.redfern@marlborough.herts.sch.uk. The best responses will be published in the next newsletter and a Pinkie (20 achievement points) will be awarded to the best student and parent answer each time.

ROCKET TO THE FUTURE

Stressed by career choices and future pathways?

If you want any advice or information on what is on offer or available to you after your Year 11 and Year 13 exams please see Mrs Beddall in the LRC.



If you have any questions and not sure who to ask
please click here for the [general enquiry form](#)



Next PTA Meetings

Wednesday 13th September, 7.30pm
Tuesday 7th November (AGM), 7.30pm
Meetings are held in the Boardroom.
All welcome to attend

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Wednesday 26th July, 3 - 4pm
(Sales are held in the Boardroom)

Good quality clean uniform for sale. All proceeds go to the PTA.

WANTED – Your old uniform!

Donations are welcome on the day or can be left at school reception during the week. We are now only accepting uniform with the 'Science Academy' logo. Any old logo uniform can be bagged up and put in Clothes Bank bins at school. Enquiries can be emailed to pta@marlborough.herts.sch.uk please put the subject as 'Uniform'



WANTED – Tombola prizes

We are running a tombola at the M festival and would appreciate any suitable donations of new items eg. unwanted Christmas gifts, bottles of alcohol, vouchers for local restaurants, pamper treatments, promo giveaways etc.

Please bring any donations to reception.

Matched Funding

Does your workplace run a matched funding scheme?

If your company runs a scheme like this please email the PTA and put matched funding as the subject line

PTA@marlborough.herts.sch.uk

Thank you! - Half Marathon and Bunnings

The PTA would like to thank all the parents, staff and students who helped with these two events. Thank you for the cakes that were baked and donated, thank you to the amazing students who busked and thank you to the parents who gave up their Sunday to man these two events. By manning a marshalling point and running the Bunnings sausage sizzle and cake sale we raised over £850. Well done to all involved!

Vacancies at Marlborough

Two Vacancies

Graduate Tutor in English and Maths

Fixed term 04/09/2017 to 20/07/2018

Salary scale H3 16 £9.33 per hour for 37 hours a week and 38.6 weeks a year (term time plus 3 full inset days)

We have an exciting opportunity for two graduates (one with a maths degree and one with an English degree) to join our Maths and English Faculties to work with students who would benefit from one to one, small group interventions and classroom support. Successful candidates will have a degree in English or Maths and a passion to share their subject knowledge.

Essential qualities will include:

- Patience, kindness, resilience and humour
- Good ICT skills
- Excellent communication skills
- Good personal presentation

This is an ideal opportunity for graduates in Maths or English to gain classroom experience and start a career pathway into teaching. Support with CPD to achieve this ambition will be available during this appointment.

The school supports and promotes the safeguarding of children and is an equal opportunities employer. References will be sought prior to interview. These vacancies will be subject to an enhanced DBS check and a six month probationary period. Candidates will be required to provide evidence of the right to work in the UK.

To discuss this vacancy and arrange a visit contact Mrs Ann Tyson on 01727 731395 a.tyson@marlborough.herts.sch.uk. Applications forms and person spec forms to Ann Tyson by email please.

The deadline for applications for these vacancies is Monday 26th June at 9am. Interview date TBC.

Higher Level Assistant Teacher

An exciting opportunity has arisen at our oversubscribed and rated "good" academy for students from 11 to 19 years of age, for a Higher Level Assistant Teacher to work as part of our Specialised Learning Faculty and line manage our team of Assistant Teachers.

We are looking for an individual with outstanding classroom skills and SEN experience and knowledge, who can support, motivate and inspire students who need particular help to overcome barriers to learning in a main stream educational setting. You will need to be a team player but also be able to work independently, show great flexibility, creativity and have outstanding communication and organisation skills. Ideally the successful candidate will be a qualified HLTA or have a comparative level 4 qualification or be working towards this.

You will collaborate with teachers in planning and delivering programs of teaching and learning activities for classes, groups or individuals. The primary focus is to undertake educational activities with individuals, groups and whole classes within a framework agreed with and under the overall direction and supervision of a qualified teacher. You will undertake a program of monitoring alongside the SENCO to ensure high standards of support in the classroom.

You should be able to demonstrate a successful track record in leading, motivating and organising a team. The ability to manage a team effectively is equally important in this role as any SEN knowledge and teaching experience. You will line manage and organise a team of Assistant Teachers, to help support students achieve effective learning and personal outcomes, both in the classroom and when taking examinations. You will also support the SENCO administratively and work alongside the SEN Admin Assistant.

This role will start September 2017 and will be subject to a 6 month probationary period. Salary H9 £15.93 to £17.14 per hour, for 37 hours per week 38 weeks per annum plus 3 days inset.

Working hours 8.30-4.30 Mon to Fri term time with 3 hours unpaid breaks per week. Closing date for applications Monday 19th June 9am.

To learn more about what it is like to work at our school please see our recruitment film at <http://www.themarlboroughscienceacademy.co.uk/page/?title=Job+Opportunities&pid=77#>

If you would like to visit our school please contact Ann Tyson HR administrator on 01727 731 395 a.tyson@marlborough.herts.sch.uk

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A photograph of a young woman with long brown hair tied back in a ponytail, wearing a grey t-shirt, working on the engine of a vintage aircraft. She is seen from behind, focused on her task. The aircraft's metallic engine and fuselage are visible in the background.

SHUTTLEWORTH

Women in Engineering

'High Flyers'

Friday 23 June 2017

16.00-19.00

at Old Warden Aerodrome

*An International Women in Engineering Day
after school careers event*

www.shuttleworth.org/womeninengineering

Women in Engineering at The Shuttleworth Collection

Old Warden Aerodrome, Bedfordshire, SG18 9EP

As part of International Women in Engineering Day The Shuttleworth Collection is hosting '**High Flyers**', an after school careers event on **Friday 23 June 2017, from 16.00-19.00.**

This event is an activity driven careers event that will encourage and engage year 9 – 13 students with a mix of exhibitors that includes local and national companies and organisations, together with Further and Higher Education establishments. Those exhibiting include:

- Lockheed Martin
- Royal Aeronautical Society
- Stomor Civil Engineering Consultants
- West Anglia Training
- Shuttleworth Collection volunteers

Bookable plenaries available with some inspirational speakers and celebrated High Flyers in the engineering world.

Exhibitors will be based throughout our hangars alongside exhibits and aircraft chosen to reflect outstanding contributions that WES members and their idols have made to our world.

For further details contact **Matthew Studdert-Kennedy**
Call: **01767 627 934**
Email: **learning@shuttleworth.org**

The Shuttleworth Collection is home to early aviation and airworthy aircraft from 1909-1950s, vintage vehicles, bicycles and motorcycles.



Families in Focus CIC

A Complete Guide to Parenting Children with Additional Needs



This popular, award winning parenting course is facilitated by Francine & Lesley who are experienced and qualified trainers, one of whom has a son with Autism and challenging behaviour. Ten sessions of two hours sharing tried and tested techniques and strategies to parent children with a range of additional needs and/or disabilities effectively in the 21st Century.

Topics included:

- ✓ Exploring the challenges and stresses of parenting children with additional needs.
- ✓ Gain understanding and build resilient family relationships by sharing the emotional journey of parenting children with SEND.
- ✓ Strategies, solutions, tips and ideas on managing behaviours that challenge.
- ✓ Issues siblings may experience as a result of living with a sister/brother with additional needs/challenging behaviours.
- ✓ Tried and tested communication techniques to reduce angry outbursts
- ✓ Techniques to manage conflict and so much more....

"We learned so much on this course from managing behaviour to coping with stress and even how to support our child in becoming more independent!"

Learning one of the facilitators has an older son with Autism made such a difference."

When:
Tuesdays 7pm to 9pm

Where:	
Oaklands College Hatfield Rd, St Albans AL4 0JA	September 26th
Discovery Centre, Building 31. Room No. DC013	October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th
	November 7th, 14th 21st, 28th
	December 5th

To book your free place on our award winning parenting course contact Francine & Lesley:

Book direct: www.familiesinfocus.co.uk or

Email: info@familiesinfocus.co.uk or

Tel: **01442 219 720**



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FOR INFO & TICKETS SEE
[WWW.STALBANSFILMFESTIVAL.COM](http://www.stalbansfilmfestival.com)

The fourth international St Albans Film Festival is taking place from 5-9 July and organisers are looking for **volunteers aged 16 or over** to help out with the events taking place over the five days of the festival.

Events include outdoor screenings in the Abbey orchard over the five-day festival in July including The Man With Two Brains, Thelma and Louise, Kong Skull Island, Blues Brothers plus two more films to be announced.

Other highlights include:

Virtual Reality at the Clocktower

Film events - workshops, speakers/discussions, throughout the city - many of them free of charge

A drop-in 'Mind Cafe'

International short film competition

An all-day screening of all of the finalists in the short film competition at the beautiful Odyssey cinema - which is one of the world's first cinemas, as we know them today. This cinema has now been restored and this beautiful art deco building will be also be hosting the awards ceremony at the end of the festival Grand awards ceremony for all the winners - 9 July.

Organisers are looking for volunteers – filmmakers, remember the games makers at the 2012 Olympics – to help out over the five days of the festival. Anyone keen to get involved, should fill out an online form www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/loveStAfilm or get in contact with Rich Warmsley richard.warmsley@gmail.com 07946 493696 (email usually best).

For more information about the festival, go to <http://www.stalbansfilmfestival.com>



WHY AM I UPSTAIRS?

SATURDAY 1ST JULY 2017

2:30PM & 7:30PM

RAVENSFIELD HOUSE, THE BURROUGHS, HENDON, LONDON, NW4
ABT

BOOK TICKETS AT

WWW.STALBANSSCHOOLOFACTING.CO.UK/WHYAMIUPSTAIRS



POSTER DESIGNED BY JULIANA RONISVALLE, ANOTHER TALENTED SASA STUDENT



EnviroMental



The EnviroMental film-fest - as part of St Albans Film Festival 2017 - will change your mind about the world around you.

Tomorrow is a hopeful and inspiring film with big ideas, exploring community initiatives across the globe that are already changing the way we live. If you wonder how global systems will cope with climate change 'Tomorrow' is a must-see film.

TOMORROW



Midweek: Thu 6th Jul 19:30,
Spencer Hall, Sandridge
Weekend: Sat 8 Jul 19:30,
St Paul's Church,
St Albans



Mon 3rd Jul, 19:30,
Drama Studio,
Sir John Lawes School,
Harpden

A Plastic Ocean is described by the naturalist David Attenborough as 'one of the most important films of our time'. This ground-breaking documentary lays bare the astonishing extent of plastic waste in our oceans.

All films: Doors open 7pm, film starts 7:30. Tickets: £5 (£3).
Bookings: www.stalbansfilmfestival.com or at the door.

Bike Electric
bikeelectric.co.uk

School Run Centre
schoolruncentre.co.uk

BoxBike
boxbikedelivery.co.uk

Velo
velopresso.co.cc

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Transition
St Albans
transitionstalbans.org

Electric Bike Day

Blend your own smoothie

Pedal-powered espressos

Sunday
June 18th
10am-4pm

Verulamium Park
St Albans

Come and try out amazing bikes you can carry your children in...or your shopping...or your work gear...even uphill!

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Parent Network

Parent Network support, guidance & learning drop in sessions for parents caring for children and young people with any additional needs, chronic health condition and/or disability

Lesley and Francine at Families in Focus will be running Parent Network support, guidance & learning *drop in* sessions for parents caring for children with any additional need/disability/chronic health condition including Autism, ADHD, Down's Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, PDA, Diabetes, Crohn's and Colitis etc. in St Albans

No matter where you live, come and join other parents living in families similar to yours; share experiences and knowledge gained along the way in a supportive and non-judgemental environment. Each session will also have 'Families in Focus Guide to...' learning topics:

Where:

**St Michaels Parish Centre,
St Michael Street
St Albans AL3 4SL**
(Park in Verulamium Museum free after 6.30)

When:

**Mondays
7pm to 9pm**

2017 Dates:

20th March - Support and Listening techniques to help our children with feelings

8th May – Herts Wellbeing Team & Understanding the teenage brain

5th June - Support and Independent Living Skills

26th June - Support and Understanding challenging behaviours

10th July – Support and Positive parenting to manage challenging behaviours

Website: www.familiesinfofocus.co.uk Email: info@familiesinfofocus.co.uk Tel: 01442 219 720

Families in Focus Parent Network also in

Watford, Hemel Hempstead, Stevenage, Toddington & Biggleswade

Term Dates

Summer Term 2017

Monday 24th April Start of term for all students
Monday 1st May Bank Holiday (May Day)

Half Term *Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June*
Friday 21st July Last day of term

Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4th September and Tuesday 5th September—INSET Days

Wednesday 6th September—Start of term for all students

Half term *Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October*

Friday 24th November—Occasional Day

Wednesday 20th December—End of term

Spring Term 2018

Thursday 4th January to Wednesday 28th March

Thursday 29th March—INSET Day

Half Term *Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February*

Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April to Friday 20th July

Half Term *Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June*



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