



# Marlborough News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another end to what has been a hugely successful year for Marlborough, every year when I write this I wonder where the time has gone and this year is no exception.

There is so much to celebrate but this year in particular brought it's own share of sadness as we lost 'our friend' Mr Williams. As always our school community pulled together and supported one another at a very sad time. In honour of Mr Williams our new sixth form building will be called the 'Williams' building and Mr Szabo, Mr Lowe and Mr Armer have done a wonderful job crafting a sculpture that we think reflects Mr Williams' character, wisdom and interests.

As with every end of year we bid farewell to a number of staff; so in no particular order:

Miss Hard joined us to take over from Mrs Higgins who has left to become a full time mum to her adopted boy Kai. Both have been great teachers and we wish them all the very best going forward. We wish Mr Porter all the very best as he takes on a new post in Bedfordshire, Mr Porter joined us as an NQT and he will be missed by his faculty and the students, he is a most professional, thoughtful and caring practitioner. Ms Borrill, Mr Kahraman and Ms Oosthuizen are leaving also, having helped out enormously mid year with some teaching gaps, all have done a great job and very quickly became big parts of our school, we too wish them lots of luck as they move on. We bid Ms McCarthy a fond farewell as she moves to take up a teaching post in North London, in her quiet kind way Ms McCarthy will be missed and is noteworthy for her calm and resilient determination. Farewell too, to Ms Nugent who did an outstanding job raising the status of Science in Marlborough, she was probably one of the best teachers I have ever seen and she was instrumental in introducing more practical learning to the faculty, Ms Nugent goes on to take up a new post in Hitchin and we wish her every success going forward.

We say thank you to Mrs Hughes and Miss Freestone for all their one to one work in supporting students and wish them every success too. Thank you also to Mrs Webster who stepped in to support Biology students in the preparation for their exams, her experience and skills were much appreciated. Farewell too to Mr Kizintas who was Head of Chemistry, we thank him for his measured and thoughtful approach to teaching and wish him good luck. Mrs Bradshaw and Mrs Whitlock are also leaving, having given best part of 20 years each to Marlborough students. Skilled, caring and multi-talented, they will be a big miss. Their legacy however is strong in that, for many children over the years for whom learning was sometimes a challenge the support from them both has been immeasurable. Both highly professional and hard working they will be missed and we wish them all the very best as they embark on the next chapter of their lives. And so finally to the fabulous Ms Price, a stunning teacher of English who worked tirelessly to support students with their English learning for over 17 years. Ms Price always in a quiet careful way was noted for her patience and incredible planning for all of her lessons, she has worked through more changes to educational thinking with the exams and assessment than I care to think about but as always Ms Price just cracked on ensuring that she was up to date and fully prepared. She really is a star and we wish her much happiness in her retirement, she deserves a rest but we hope also that she has lots of fun and joy, she will be a big miss!

On paper I suspect you as parents may be concerned about seeing so many staff who are leaving, please can I reassure you that for many this is the end of a fixed term contract or supply, we are also I am very pleased to say fully staffed for September with a fine group of very impressive colleagues; to

read more about them please click [here](#).

We know we have been blighted with significant staffing issues in Science and thank you so much for your patience and understanding, all credit to Mr Eve who is doing a fantastic job as Head of Science and the staff who have put in the extra mile to ensure that the students, as far as possible have had a good experience. We are also looking forward to seeing our new science labs, already they are looking fabulous and will be a big improvement on the current environment for teachers and students!

So, what else to say at this stage, a big thank you to all of you as parents is a must as is an enormous thank you to my hard working and wise governors led with real commitment and understanding of the school by Mrs Walker-Smith. The PTA also deserve a huge mention in particular Jane and Richard Sullivan and the chair of the PTA, Mrs Little, for their constant support in raising money for the school, in particular our 'M' Fest, which continues to be a massive and hugely enjoyable event for all of us as well as showcasing Marlborough students and talent either as performers or behind the scenes. Marlborough's success is down to the hard work, commitment and care of all it's staff and I am grateful every day for the work they do in making sure school life for all your children is always as kind and as inspirational as it possibly can be. Even as we break for the holidays I know that staff are still working, some at summer school led by the power force that is Miss Pounnas, others sailing accompanied by Miss Crook and Mr Stanton and others further afield in Costa Rica and Nicaragua led by Miss Wainwright and Mr Hogan, life changing experiences and just a very small part of school life.

Our themes for next year will continue to focus on your children being happy and safe in school and making exceptional progress, we will also be working together to develop resilience in our young people and a sense of well being, in a world dominated by bad news and anxiety. I am 100% committed to ensuring that Marlborough is a sanctuary where all children will be successful and believe in themselves. To support this ethos I would ask not to receive any more holiday requests unless the reasons are exceptional. I am sad to report that this July alone there have been 39 requests equating to over 40 children, this is deeply worrying and not acceptable in terms of ensuring continuity of learning, thank you in anticipation of your support with this I would much rather not be put in a position whereby I am having to issue fines.

I hope you and your families all have a happy and peaceful holiday, the students have worked hard and I think by now that they are ready for a rest as staff are! Results days are on the 17th and 24th August, I'm sure I'll see some of you then, just to remember also that all schools are entering into unknown territory with English and Maths in particular but I can honestly express real pride and admiration for all staff and exam students for all they did to equip themselves fully for the rigours of new tougher syllabi; whatever the outcomes I know as you do that they all did their best. We'll see you all again on the 6th September (my favourite day of the year) and as before I do hope you will all be happy and safe over the holiday season.

Best wishes

**Ms Thomson**

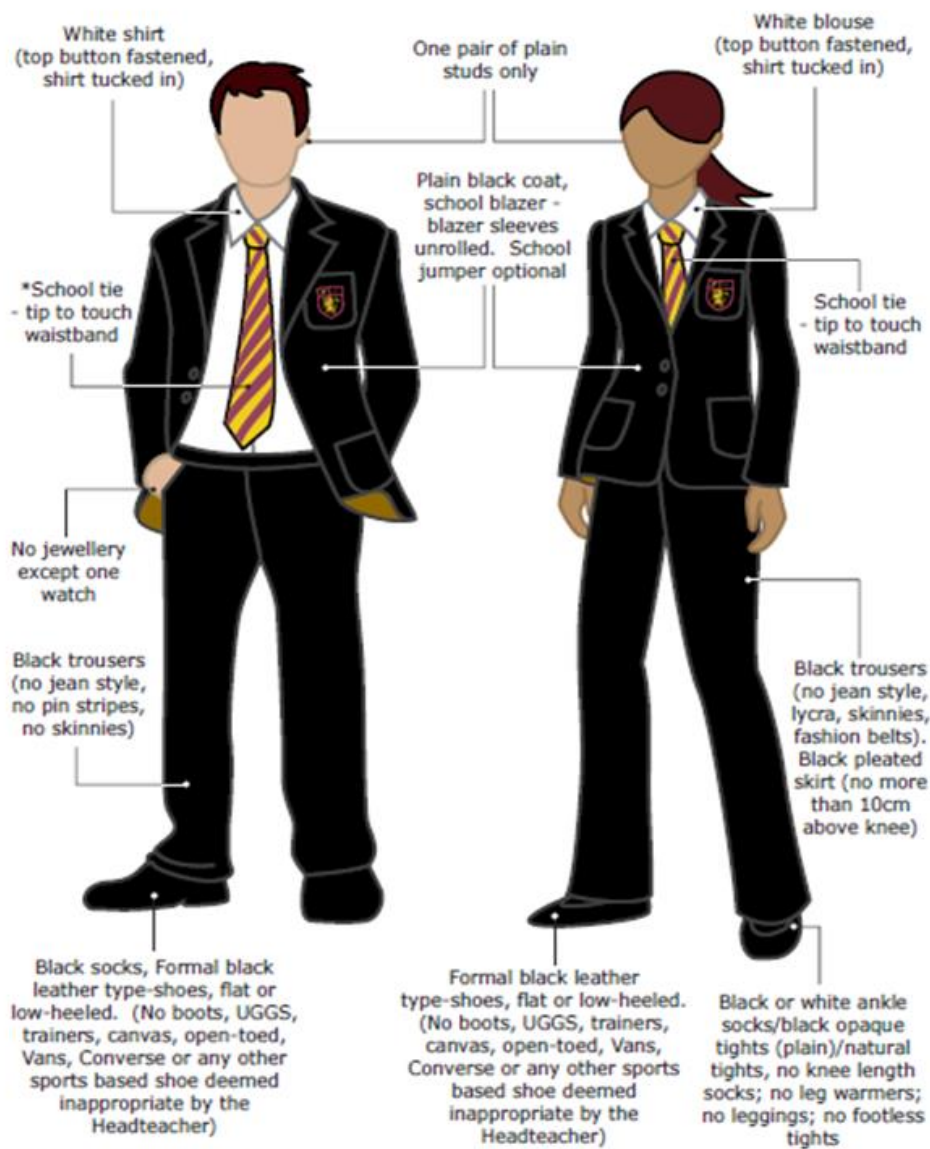
## Uniform

So that we can have the most positive start to the new academic year in September, we would like to remind everyone of the school expectations regarding footwear. Please note that there is a change in what is acceptable and not acceptable and this is different from what we have at present. If you are purchasing new school shoes please make sure that they meet the new school expectations for uniform. Our school policy is such that students footwear should reflect the business like setting of a school. No Vans, UGG boots, trainers, Timberlands or any other style of shoe considered inappropriate will be accepted. If you require clarification of what is acceptable please contact Mr Griggs or Mr Fitzgibbon in the first instance. I look forward to welcoming back our students in the new school year, and hope you all have a restful Summer.

**Mr Griggs**

**Assistant Headteacher**

### School Uniform



**We reserve the right to make a judgement on all uniform related matters and the Headteacher's decision will be final**

### Year 9 Insight into Industry

Last week saw our annual Insight Into Industry Conference for all our Year 9 students. The conference is organised with the sole purpose of introducing students to the world of work. Nine different organisations were invited to attend and held workshops that all the students got to attend and experience over the two days.

This year we were lucky to have the following companies involved again:

British Army, Marks & Spencer, Hertfordshire Fire & Rescue, Connexions, Hertfordshire University AECOM with the addition of three new organisations: Rotech, Bunnings and Hertfordshire Magistrates.

Activities ranged from interview skills (Marks & Spencer) to team building (British Army) to engineering technology (Rotech) to building benches and learning about construction trades (Bunnings). Hertfordshire Magistrates set up a mock court based on a real case and Connexions got students thinking about which area they would like to focus their career on.

The final session of the two days consisted of a celebration assembly where students who stood out in any way received prizes from the contributors. There were lots of these given out and the prizes were many and varied but congratulations go to **Harvey Karuthasami** and **Ruby Browning** who won prizes for being outstanding throughout both days, and a special shout out to **Gemma Vincent** who won a Kindle Fire from Rotech for outstanding attitude and effort.

All in all, the two days were definitely a success with staff, students and providers alike and we look forward to next year's conference.

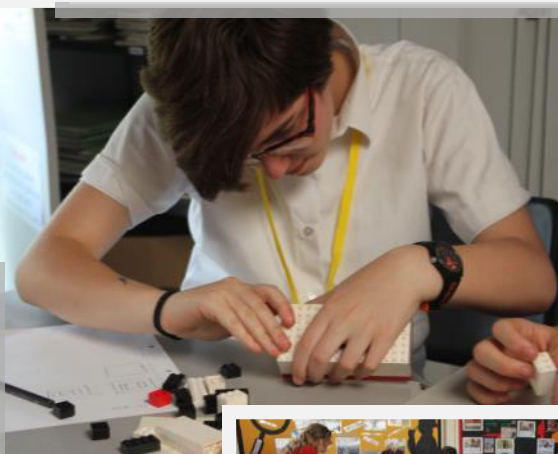
A special thank you goes to Mrs Cuell and her students who organised the wonderful food for the workshop providers over the two days.

**Mrs Beddall**





## Insight into Industry



### Gym and Dance Display



On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 55 students took part in the annual Gymnastic and Dance show “West End Musicals”. All the gymnasts and dancers trained for weeks using every available free minute to perfect their pieces that they would perform on the night.

From Billy Elliot to the Lion King, from Blood Brothers to Thriller and Oliver! to Wicked, to name just a few, the gymnasts and dancers performed their sock off.

It was an amazing night and the audience enjoyed all of it.

A massive thank you to all our fantastic students who took part and worked so hard to make the evening a very special one.

Until the next on everyone.....

We are very proud of you all.

**Miss Eastwood (Gymnastics coach) and Miss Fox (Dance teacher)**

#### Dancers

Charlotte Bourne, Ellie Bedell, Martha Cooper, Becky Bateson, Anna Visegradi, Denise Xhepa, Eloise Sheppard, Chloe Walsh, Tegan Kotula, Amy Narramore, Kaylei Callaghan, Amelia Prentice Milena Port, Millie Pinner, Mia Pavic, Rhianna Berryman, Rebecca Seary, Anna Verdier, Lily Austwick, Emelia Saunders, Phoebe Joyner, Skye Cook, Izzy Ellis, Issy Ives, Charlotte Dodd, Emily Bourne, Scott Mousley-Young, Millie Axford, Carine Chew, Rachel Innes, Katie Little, Aaliyah Richards, Katherine Towndrow and Ella Stanley.

#### Gymnasts

Maisie Scott, Immy Speck, Michella Buer, Lucy Courtney, Emma Noon, Izzy Brewer, Stella Speck, Caitlin Glasgow, Courtney Warren, Emily Bourne, Izzy Ellis, Issy Ives, Charlotte Dodd, Isabella Francois, Gabriella Fernandes, Olivia Foulkes, Amy Bilson, Lily Oates, Becky Bateson, Lily Hill, Amy Benn, Charlotte Bourne, Nathan Thoree, Shauna Kennedy-Millar, Micaela Casiero, Robyn Murphy and Olivia Ritchie.





### Art and Technology Exhibition

Last week we were proud to showcase some amazing pieces of work from the Art and Technology department. Yet again our students surpassed themselves with their amazing imagination and talent to produce some amazing works of art.



Please click [here](#) to view more fantastic pieces.

### Team Ellie



Congratulations girls on winning the Maltings Community Heroes Award for June. They were nominated for the award because of their support for their friend Ellie Brewer by competing in a Pretty Muddy run to raise money for Cancer Research UK. They are now fundraising to support Ellie and her family and there is a [GoFundMe](#) page, please click on the link to read about Ellie's fight with Leukaemia. They held a cake sale on Tuesday and raised £192 and we will be donating all proceeds from the non uniform day on Friday to this fund. Please click [here](#) for the Herts Advertiser article.

**Jade Albert, Olivia Stevenson, Tai Stojanovic, Alice Rose, Amy Narramore, Abby Simpkin, Jenna Hutton, Kayra Karakus, Isabella Francois and Lily Austwick**



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*'A world first in Higher Education, UCFB Wembley offers university degrees in the football business and wider sport and events industries '*

The Marlborough Science Academy is celebrating its new partnership with UCFB Wembley to support progression of their Post 16 students. As one of only three schools who have this partnership in England, UCFB have been involved in presentations to 6<sup>th</sup> form students on business, team building and finance and students have already had the opportunity to sample a degree style session workshop on a recent visit to Wembley Stadium and hope in the future to benefit from work experience opportunities. On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July, Claire Fairhurst and Myles Ball, the Media team from UCFB met with Ms Thomson, Mrs Rutherford and Mr Packard at the school for the official contract signing. Thanks to Mrs Rutherford for all her hard work in working with the UCFB to make this partnership possible.

*'Being in a partnership will mean that UCFB will be able to offer support through presentations, higher education advice, career events and school visits.'* Claire Fairhurst, UCFB

Current Year 12 students Sam Parker, Ross Dommett, Maisie Scott and Lucy Molloy had the opportunity to discuss with Claire and Myles their higher education plans with regard to career pathways in Sport. They had obviously already done a lot of research into their degree choices which included Sports Journalism, Sports Rehabilitation, Sport and Exercise and Sports Business. Claire and Myles explained to the students about the opportunity of Open Days at UCFB, the opportunity to experience life as a student by visiting the auditorium, seminar rooms and taster workshops. Myles also spoke about the many opportunities in the global Sports industry and how UCFB concentrates on the employability of their graduates by offering work experience, short courses, public speaking programme and out of class activities which can include Photography, Spanish and Commentating.



### Post 16 PSCH EE Sessions

Earlier in July Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) training for Year 12 students was held in school.

The TEFL trainer Caroline Legg delivered a 2 day workshop which included learning about how to teach English grammar to other people who cannot speak English both in this country and abroad.

The students found the training challenging but very rewarding. All the students passed and will be given a certificate which would be an additional qualification that could be added to their personal statements for UCAS application.



### UCAS Personal Statement Surgery

We thank Sarah Bouvier from Hertfordshire University who came into school to deliver a UCAS personal statement surgery in Post 16 PSCH EE.

Rebecca Costello - Year 12

*'I found it really useful talking to Sarah because before I had multiple subjects I was considering taking at university but was unsure of which would further career options. Through speaking to her I found out that there is a specific company that looks for the degree I wanted to take the most but wasn't sure as most people had suggested it would not be helpful for a good career. My conversation with Sarah was a real help.'*



### Marlborough Oracle

Please click [here](#) for the latest version of the 'MO'.

### Year 11 Prom



The Year 11 Prom was held at the Mercure St Albans Noke Hotel on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. We were blessed with a summer's evening of sunshine and a warm breeze. The Year 11's did themselves proud as they do every year with stunning sequined dresses and not to be out shone, a variety of coloured suits worn by the boys !! Everyone danced the night away and midnight came around all too quick and so ending another academic year with great atmosphere, laughter and fun!

A big thank you goes to Tina Fisher of Altered Images, Chris Hawkes of Hawkeye Photography for all their hard work and of course The Mercure (Noke) Hotel for providing the venue.

**Ms Bazell**

**Year 11 Pastoral Assistant**



Please click [here](#) for the Prom photos folder, password has been sent by schoolcomms to Year 11.



### Year 5 Discovery Days at Marlborough

On Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th July we welcomed over 300 Year 5 students from six of our local primary schools for a day of Wizardry related teaching sessions. Students in D&T had the opportunity to make wands, potions were made in Science, look for Fantastic Beasts in Humanities, follow the Yellow Brick Road in Music and other exciting sessions in Maths, Literacy, Computer Studies, French and Art. Thanks must go to our Year 7 ambassadors who stayed with the groups to ensure they didn't get lost and they enjoyed being able to participate in the day.



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### Matilda Theatre Trip



On Tuesday we took a group of Year 7 and Year 8 students from Rapid Progress and Enhanced English to see Matilda in the West End. For many it was the first time at the theatre. All the students had a fantastic time, Lewis in Year 7 said, 'I can't stop thinking about how good Matilda was.' Many of the students are already looking forward to next year's trip!

It was a pleasure for staff to see the excitement and enjoyment of all the students.

**Mrs Baker**

### Marlborough Maths at Garden Fields

A number of Year 10 students were able to share their mathematical skills with Year 6s from Garden Fields Primary school earlier this month. Our students taught the primary children how to solve algebraic proof problems using a range of teaching strategies. The lesson included expanding and retracting brackets using the key words 'odd' and 'even' before being let loose to solve equations. After attending the school Marlborough students wrote some short thank you letters to the students, three of which can be seen below.

Dear Garden Fields, Year 6s.

It was amazing to have the opportunity to work with you all, and guide you through the topic of proof. It's an extremely difficult topic and I think you coped very well with it. You also all made a lot of progress with it (and the whole topic of algebra too).

It's heart-warming to see how you worked through the questions and developed an understanding of the subject throughout the session. You're all very capable students with a great thirst for knowledge that will help you in your school life.

Well done, everyone – you did so well, and I wish you the best of luck when you transition in to secondary school next year.

From, Katie,

Dear Garden Fields, Year 6s.

Thank you so much for letting us teach you; we had a great time, and we hope you did too. I hope you learnt something new and fun. Algebraic proof isn't easy but you did really well. We were super impressed with your work and hope to come back soon.

From, Charlotte, Katherine, Aaliya and Millie

Dear Garden Fields, Year 6s.

You were a delight to teach and I do hope you enjoyed having us teach you; I hope you found it helpful. I was really impressed by your algebraic knowledge and mathematical intelligence. Good luck in secondary school. Keep learning and don't give up!

From, Tabitha





## Student Achievements



### U15 Girls Cricket Team

The U15 Girls Cricket Team recently entered the Calypso Cricket Tournament against several local schools. They played really well and got through the group stages and into the quarter finals but narrowly lost out to a semi final spot.

Player of the tournament – Hannah Evershed.



### Erik Hooper and Jamie Simmons Year 7

Erik and Jamie took part in the Golf Sixes at the recent Herts Youth Games. They won the Respect award as well as a bronze medal. It was a fun and sporty day for them and they enjoyed being part of a team

### Felix Stanley Year 7

Felix also played in the Golf Sixes and played so well he won an award for being passionate about playing and trying his best. He played golf against 2 opponents and the team came 3rd.



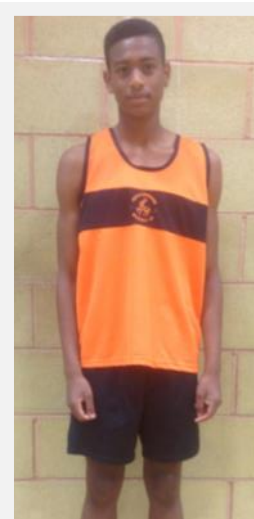
### Bronze Medal Winners

Jamie Simmons, Darcy Moffatt, Matthew Sands, Ben Wright, Felix Stanley and Erik Hooper.



Congratulations to **Tomiwa Oni, Year 9** who competed in the National Championships in Birmingham last weekend. In the Year 9 category for High Jump he competed against 17 others and came 11th with his jump of 1.69m, although not quite his personal best of 1.72m this was a great achievement. He is now looking to compete in the Year 10 category which could lead to winning a space in the England team.

*'The atmosphere was amazing, I never expected it to be such a big deal. The event was held in a massive stadium with a big crowd. I like the atmosphere which gave me the adrenaline to jump high.'*



**Rhianna Patel, Year 7** attended the GB Taekwondo European Cadet Selection competition on Sunday 9th July at the Doncaster Dome. She reached the quarter finals and lost by 4 points. In the 1st round she gave away points due to changes in competition rules but she fought to recover a 10 point lead. She started to come back in the 2nd and 3rd round but unfortunately ran out of time and lost by 4 points. Her coach Grand Master Johnson (pictured) said, *"She fought very well gaining valuable experience and I am very proud of her"*. Rhianna will be returning to this competition next year with her brother who will also be joining Marlborough this September.

Congratulations to **Weronika Wrzesniak, Year 8** who recently won a prize in an International Mathematics Competition. Over six million school pupils in more than 50 countries take part in this annual competition and in Weronika's age group called Cadet, the test was 75 minutes with logical thinking as well as mathematical ability.

## Sports Day 2017



**Year 7**—Mercury 1<sup>st</sup>, Mars 2<sup>nd</sup>, Saturn 3<sup>rd</sup> and Neptune 4<sup>th</sup>

**Year 8**—Neptune 1<sup>st</sup>, Mercury 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mars 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturn 4<sup>th</sup>

**Year 9**—Mars 1<sup>st</sup>, Saturn 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mercury 3<sup>rd</sup> and Neptune 4<sup>th</sup>

**Year 10**—Mercury 1<sup>st</sup>, Mars 2<sup>nd</sup>, Neptune 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturn 4<sup>th</sup>

**Overall**—Mercury 1<sup>st</sup>, Mars 2<sup>nd</sup>, Neptune 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturn 4<sup>th</sup>



Please click [here](#) to see the medal winners' gallery.



Last Saturday we held our latest M Festival on the school field. An amazing event organised by a small but dedicated team saw another 2,500 festival goers come through the gate and is expected to raise another £15k for the school this year. Most of that money will go towards extras for the new sixth form block which is being built later this year. We also supported two local charities - Youth Talk and Electric Umbrella.

There are many people we need to thank. Firstly we must acknowledge the amazing work by the small core team of 12 who worked throughout the year and over the weekend. It simply wouldn't happen without them. So thank you to Ollie, Jane, Carol, Julie, Bexs, Charlotte, Jo, Angela, Jane B, Vaughan, Trevor and Louise and also to Chris and Steph from the Site team who didn't stop from Friday night through to Sunday afternoon. Special mention to the World Challenge students who helped out across the weekend - in particular the 16 who helped with the clear up on Sunday morning!

Thanks to the SLT who helped all day at the gate and Mr Eve for being such a brilliant presenter (but not on BBC salaries!). The students and staff who performed were all excellent ambassadors of the school and thanks to the parents, staff and students who helped out on stalls including the henna tattoos who were busy from 2pm till 8pm.

We are fortunate to have so many talented people across the school and Mr and Mrs Griggs did a great job on the main stage while Matt Armer did an amazing job with Elaine on sound and lighting for the second stage supported by student James Brewer who was a great support. Thanks to Jill Greenwood on the clip board and our amazing Governors who turned up in number across the weekend. Our Chair of Governors Jane Walker-Smith plus husband Rick and daughter Beth did another amazing shift on the gate and we really appreciate your help.

Finally to the parents, governors and students who came on Sunday morning to help clear up. Thank you.

We do need even more volunteers if we are going to hold another M Festival so please do contact us if you are willing to help next year either as a member of the team or over the Festival weekend.

**Richard Sullivan**  
**M Festival Team**





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## WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

Following the success of our 10 week Parenting Programmes we are now running a series of workshops on topics identified by Parents.

### Morning workshops 9.30am-12pm

*@ Trinity Church, 1 Beaconsfield Road, St Albans AL1 3RD*

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September** The journey of grief and loss – adjusting to the new normal ©

*An opportunity to explore our unique and unplanned journey and the emotions it can bring. Understanding the stages we go through to find our new "normal"*

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September** Practical information around SEN and working effectively with Professionals and Schools

*Realising the full potential of our child by understanding the "ins and outs" of special education from early identification to intervention, the terms and acronyms. Building positive working relationships with professionals.*

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October** SEN Managing the impact on siblings and relationships

*Family life is all about relationships and communication. SEN can bring communication challenges affecting every relationship. How can we balance the needs of all family members?*

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October** Keeping It Cool© Managing behavior and anger  
*Everyone experiences anger sometimes. Managing anger more effectively can strengthen our relationships but what happens when a person struggles to verbalise these emotions? How can we respond when mood shifts happen so quickly that there is little time to seek a positive outlet.*

### Evening workshops 6.30pm-9pm

*@ St Albans Girls School, Sandridgebury Lane, AL3 6DB*

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September** Safety Net – keeping your children with additional needs safe online

*Online safety is important for everyone, but for our children with additional needs we need to be extra vigilant when it comes to cyber safety.*

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September** The journey of grief and loss – adjusting to the new normal ©

*An opportunity to explore our unique and unplanned journey and the emotions it can bring. Understanding the stages we go through to find our new "normal"*

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October** SEN – Managing the impact on siblings and relationships

*Family life is all about relationships and communication. SEN can bring communication challenges affecting every relationship. How can we balance the needs of all family members?*

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October** Practical information around SEN and working effectively with Professionals and Schools

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To register your interest in this exciting new show and get an application form, please get in touch with the team **ASAP**, with your address, contact number and a bit of info about you and your household.

**[TheButton@avalon-entertainment.com](mailto:TheButton@avalon-entertainment.com)**

**0207 598 7279**

Absolutely ALL ages welcome! Filming will take place in October 2017.  
Terms and conditions apply



## Term Dates

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July                      Last day of term—school ends at 12.00pm

### Autumn Term 2017

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September—INSET Days**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September—Start of term for all students**

*Half term                      Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October*

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November—Occasional Day**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December—End of term**

### Spring Term 2018

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January to Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March—INSET Day**

*Half Term                      Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February*

### Summer Term 2018

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

*Half Term                      Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June*



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