

Marlborough News

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Year 7 Art Club and Year 8 ACES Collaboration

On Monday students from the Year 7 Art club and Year 8 ACES, supported by Ms Rutherford and Mr Hogan, worked together to produce a collaborative piece of artwork based on the style of Michael Craig-Martin. This was a cross curricular piece of work whereby students drew images of everyday objects that have meaning to them and added the French and Spanish words for the object. Some drew pictures by copying from acetate images or by copying their own objects. They were supported by an ex student Louise Bateman who is currently in her first year at University of Herts studying for a Fine Art Degree with one year's teacher training course.

We look forward to seeing the finished piece of artwork on display in the MFL faculty in Pascal.

'It has been really exciting and fun to be able to express ourselves. I've learnt how dabbing can help make the backgrounds bolder and more realistic.' Kiera

'Using acetate images was new to us and it has been really fun.' Scarlett and Lilia



Next Stop: Hogwarts!



The Marlborough Science Academy, Watling Street, St. Albans, was proud to say that they were perfectly normal, thank you very much. They were the last people you'd expect to be involved in anything strange or mysterious, because they just didn't hold with such nonsense. However, on January 17th 2018, some magical Year 7s had the opportunity to visit the Warner Bros. Harry Potter Studio Tour in Leavesden, Watford.

At 2:45pm the students set off towards the tour on their very own "Knight Bus". There was a sense of wonder and a feeling that the impossible was suddenly at their very fingertips. Milling into the studios, all of the students' mouths dropped into the shape of an O as they saw the stories that they had read and dreamt about come to life. But, it wasn't just the students who were awed by the experience; the accompanying teachers couldn't quite believe the level of detail and realism the sets and various props had.

Miss Ahmed stated: "It was magical! I was more often than not speechless at the visual feast." **Ms Fogarty**

"This was the best trip I've ever been on." Riley Kirkpatrick

"OMG I love Harry Potter – especially flying on a broom!!" Sarah Prosser



"I got to buy a REAL WAND! It was pretty amazing!" **Bailey Mileham**



Primary ACES Art and Photography Workshop

Last Thursday Ms Rickman hosted 15 Year 6 students from Prae Wood for a Photography and Art workshop. Supported by 6th formers, Naomi Baxendine, Alessia Corchiam, Noa Kusman, Lillie Mae Dunning and Morgan Mitchell, the Year 6s spent the day learning about how photographs are made and produced art pieces incorporating their photos and computer generated images. They spent time in the 'darkroom' creating Photograms using natural objects and the digital cameras, backdrops and costumes to take photographs of each other.

'Sam, James and I worked together to come up with ideas and decided that Sam was going to be eaten by the dragon. We learnt how to develop pictures in the darkroom using light sensitive paper.' **Ben**

'In the darkroom we used special paper, we had to turn out all the lights because the paper is white light sensitive and turned on red bulbs because the paper doesn't react to them. We put items on the paper like a slice of orange, shone a torch on it and then put the paper in special chemicals, moved it around, rinsed it then put it into another chemical, rinsed it again and our images showed up on the paper. It's been so much fun and very funny.' **Tom**

'I had my photo taken then thought of what setting I would like to be in, I chose a meadow and have used some butterfly images and will draw some too. The darkroom was scary at first then my eyes got used to the darkness, it was really cool how the objects would block the light and when the chemicals reacted with the paper, the images appeared.' Gabriella and Edie

'It was really, really fun, so cool when we got to go into the darkroom and make our pictures.' **Kirsten**





Dear Ms Thomson,

I just wanted to say thank you for providing the opportunity for a small group of pupils from Prae Wood School to participate in a photography day at Marlborough yesterday.

Edie was lucky enough to be chosen to take part. She returned home with some fantastic work and was full of enthusiasm about her day. Edie said the teachers were very friendly and nice (she couldn't remember their names) and also commented on how helpful Noa and Naomi from the sixth form had been.

We hope that Edie will be joining your year 7 in September so it was an added bonus for her to be part of the school during a normal day and seeing Lily during her visit made it perfect!

Please would you pass on my thanks to the staff and sixth formers involved.

Year 10 Parent





Post 16 PSHCEE Sessions

FALMOUTH

UNIVERSITY

Thanks to Nathan Marshall, Head of Schools & College Partnerships (London And South East) at Falmouth University for coming to speak to our Year 12 and 13 students about choosing a university and the next steps.

Year 12 were advised that the three most important things to think about when choosing a University are what degree and the modules involved, location and who you are taught by. It is very important to make the right decision as the students are paying for this education they want to be sure it is what they want to study and delivered by industry professionals. The university you choose has to suit you personally and it may not necessarily be one of the top universities but one that specialises in your chosen field of interest.

Year 13s learnt about the next steps to take on receiving their university offers and worked in groups on budgeting and student life.

PE News

On Tuesday Nikki Twine, Outreach Sports Scientist from University of Essex met with our Year 11 GCSE and Post 16 BTEC PE students to give them a taster of a University Sports Science course. One of the modules studied on the course is Exercise Physiology and the Marlborough students wore heart rate monitors during a bleep test to track there progress. Craig Hermon from Year 13 was selected to wear a respiratory mask worth £15,000 to track and record his gaseous exchange rates, this was collected to analyse his VO2 max and allow comparison to professional athletes. The session was a huge success and the students really enjoyed the presentation on student life and the courses available to study at the University of Essex.

Mr Packard



Post 16 PSHCEE Sessions

This week our Post 16 students had the opportunity to learn about career pathways from 3 different presenters. Lucy Cranwell-Ward from uptree and Joanne Drewitt from Tesco spoke to the students about the apprenticeship programmes at Tesco, in particular a Higher level Finance Apprenticeship. Uptree is a professional network for young people to connect with employers, they can then enrol themselves on events that include talks, career events to meet with employers across many industries and insight days. This is a great networking tool to be used after leaving school, college or university. Joanne Drewitt, Head of Apprenticeships and Graduates at Tesco, spoke in depth about the possible apprenticeship and graduate routes at Tesco and the different fields they can be in from Marketing, Business, Law, Design and Finance.





St Albans City FC spoke to the students about careers in Football and Sport. We were lucky enough to welcome Ben Herd, player at the club and Director of Ben Herd Pro Performance Academy, Tom Norman Club Secretary, Chris Samways, St Albans City Youth Coach and Community Manager, Phill Coates.

It was interesting to hear Ben Herd's story from being an academy player at Watford FC, then signing for them, moving to Shrewsbury FC and the experience of playing at Wembley in front of 60,000. He then went onto Aldershot Town where he was captain for four years, after Aldershot got relegated it was time for him to have a rethink about where he wanted to go with his career. There were the opportunities to play abroad but in reality that would have meant some major family changes , he had always been aware that a footballer's career is short lived so pursued his idea that he wanted to change the way young footballers are trained and set up his Academy in partnership with Simon Balle School. Students at the Academy study for a Level 3 Sports Diploma or a degree programme with Loughborough but also train every day.

Tom Norman was always interested in Football but knew he would never be a player so looked at career routes that meant he would be able to work in Football, after studying marketing he first joined St Albans City FC as Commercial Manager which had a variety of roles to include finance, marketing and social media. It was clear that there were so many different career opportunities not just in football but all sports. Chris Samways spoke about his love for the sport and after studying a Sports Science Degree first then becoming Community Coach at the club. He spoke about the importance of making use of volunteering opportunities which are important to build life skills, find out if it is the right thing for you and to help build a CV.





Oh, What A Night!



This Wednesday Ms Fogarty took 30 lucky Year 10s to see the West End smash hit 'Jersey Boys' in Milton Keynes. Although there was sudden down pour of rain and the sky had turned a morose shade of grey, it was impossible to dampen enthusiasm and excitement which could be felt both on the bus and in the theatre.

During the performance, students were memorised with the sleek set design and the way in which the director transported them back in time, making Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons appeal to them.

Many audience members were shocked to see how much our students enjoyed singing along and clapping to the smash hits. It was proof that good music transcended time and indeed, generations. It was a fantastic night of musical education and fun!



"It was fantastic – I was totally fan-girling over the music." **Emeila Saunders.**

"My parents were so excited when they heard we had the opportunity to see the show; it was fantastic." **Tom Vincent.**



"I really REALLY enjoyed it, especially because it was something that I would never have thought to go to by myself. Thank you." **Lily Austwick**

Parent Notice

The term is now in full swing and so may I just take the time to reiterate a couple of transport points:

There is no student collection from the school site between 1450hrs and 1530hrs. This has worked really well since we started it last year and thank you for your continuing support with this.

However it does appear that both the dropping of and collection of students is having an impact on our neighbours, especially in the Watford Road and by the rear gate, with parents not only blocking driveways but also actually parking in the driveways of the houses nearby.

Could I please ask that we continue to be considerate of our neighbours and do not obstruct or park in their driveways.

Thank you again for all your assistance in this matter.

Mr C Paice

Estates and H&S

Learning Counts

Every Friday tutor time a member of the Senior management team meets with a selection of students from Years 7-11, Ms Thomson meets with Year 7s to ensure transition is successful and other year groups meet with their SLT link. The sole purpose of these meetings is to ensure that students feel they have a voice, that they can talk about anything and that we can understand how their learning is going. We feedback to staff all the positive comments and action any areas of concern. We are rigorous in ensuring students know how to keep themselves safe online.

Year 7 said 'their teachers are all friendly and 'they feel supported by them. They like coming to school and want Ofsted to say we are outstanding. They said that they made the right choice in coming to Marlborough.'

Year 8 said 'the school is a welcoming and friendly school and they like their Art being on display. They made special mention to their Food Tech and Dance lessons and said that their Form period puts them in a good mood and it is a good way to start the day.'



English Stars of the Month

Congratulations to the following students—

Daniel Gibbard, Kenzie Butler, Lola Green, Charlie Micklewright, Lucy Findlay, Clara Squire, Jamie Knowles, Ellarose Copley, Leah Stevens, Tasnim Choudhury, Sophie Ives, Amelia Hallam, Molly Louis, Emily Sibley, Jack Loraine, Sophie Brown, Charlotte Joyce, Ava Hinds, Harry Doyle, Isla Latham, Gabriel Greco, Evan Robinson, Maria Bratan, Elle Dougla, Elizabeth Wakeman, Xander Macmillion, Chloe Fisher, Isabella Smith and Tahmid Rashid.

Years 9—13



The Marlborough Science Academy

invites you to attend an

Apprenticeship Fair

on Wednesday 31st January 2018

from 5 - 8pm

This is an opportunity to come along and find out more about apprenticeships and what training providers and companies have on offer.

Details of the confirmed exhibitors can be found overleaf



Confirmed Exhibitors include:

Aecom, Aldi

Barclays Bank, Bretherton Law,

Building Research Establishment,

C.I.T.B, Connexions,

Debenhams Ottaway, Deloitte,

Dickinson Finance, E.Y.Com,

First Rung, ICAEW,

GSK, John Laing Training,

Keits, Lambert Smith Hampton,

Leonardo, Liebherr,

London Hairdressing Academy,

Oaklands College, MBDA,

NHS Trust, Raynor Essex,

Rotech Machines, Sporting Futures,

Skillnett, Solveway,

St Albans City Council, Taylor Walton

UKTD, Waterman Group

Understanding Recruitment, Structa Civil Engineers

The Waterman Group, UKTD

















APPRENTICESHIPS which one works for you?

New Sixth Form build

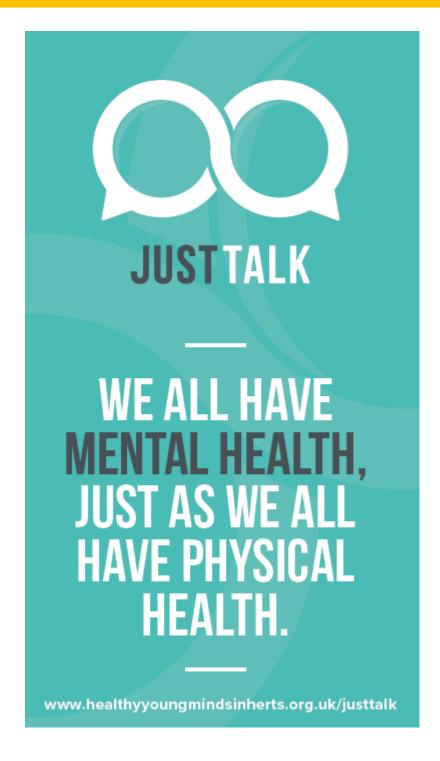


Please click on our Sixth Form Build <u>link</u> to see our regularly updated photo gallery of the progress of the new build.

How proud are we to hear about the amazing achievement of ex-pupil Jordan Beecher who has made rowing history, read more about his voyage here



If you have any questions and not sure who to ask please click here for the <u>general enquiry form</u>



Top Tips for Parents and Carers here

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with Jemma Smith

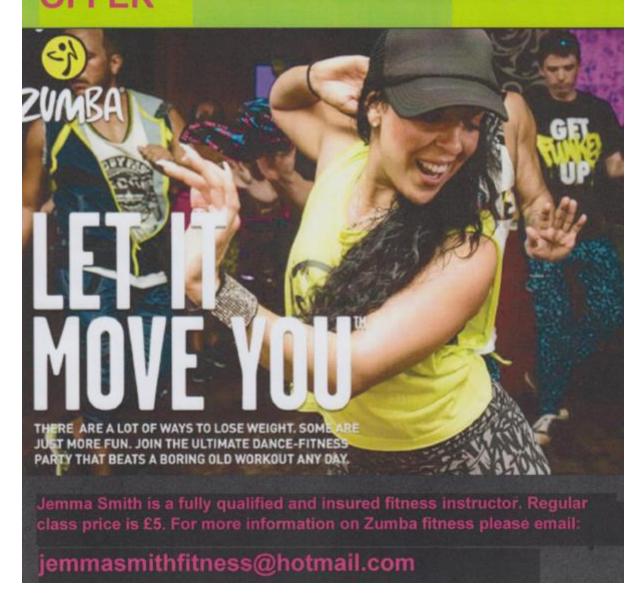
Mondays at 7.15 - 8.15pm

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£2.50









Fully funded by DSPL7 and places available for any dad, grandfather, adoptive/foster father caring for a child under 11 years old with any additional need, learning/physical disability and/or chronic health condition

living in St Albans, Harpenden & villages

Families in Focus CIC Just for Dads Guide to

The Alban Way Children's Centre @ Marshalswick, Mon 30th April 7-9pm

Strategies to manage behaviours that challenge

Sherwood Park,

Mon 21st May 7-9pm

Sherwood Avenue,

Strategies to manage anger

St Albans

Mon 25th June 7-9pm

AL4 9QL

Using empathy to communicate and build emotional well-being

Mon 9th July 7-9pm



Strategies to manage anxiety



Places are limited and <u>must be booked</u> by contacting

Lesley, Francine or Maria:

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Families in Focus CIC How to be a 'Professional Parent'

A 2 hour workshop for parents/grandparent/adoptive or foster carers caring for children and/or young people with autism, ADHD and pan-disability and/or chronic health conditions.

Fully funded by DSPL 7 so FREE for parents caring for children or young people with any additional needs and living in DSPL7 areas of St Albans, Harpenden Redbourn, Wheathampstead,

As a parent it can feel confusing, overwhelming and intimidating when attending meetings with teachers, SENCO's, Doctors and other education and healthcare professionals.

This workshop will give you knowledge, skills and techniques to be prepared and be an assertive, confident parent and enable you to work with other professionals so your child, you and school etc. get the very best out of meetings.

Fully funded places available by DSPL 7 so FREE for parents caring for children or young people with <u>any</u> additional needs and living in DSPL7 areas of St Albans, Harpenden Redbourn, Wheathampstead, London Colney.

Where:

St Albans Girls School

Sandridgebury Lane, St Albans AL3 6DB When:

Monday February 26th 10am to 12pm





Places are limited and must be booked by contacting Lesley, Francine or Maria:

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Term Dates

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

Autumn Term 2018

Wednesday 5th September to Friday 21st December 2018

Half Term Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November 2018

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th January to Friday 5th April 2019

Half Term Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February 2019

Friday 15th February—Inset Day

Summer Term 2019

Tuesday 23rd April to Friday 19th July 2019

Half Term Monday 27th to Friday 31st May 2019



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