

Marlborough News

9th February 2017

Issue #66

Year 8 Maths ACES

To support the transition into Year 7 we held a Maths Master Workshop at Killigrew primary school with some of their Year 6 students. This workshop introduced them to new algebra concepts that they will encounter in Year 7 and helped to connect their prior learning to new teaching. Thanks to Olivia Stevenson, Shaun Hussain, Joe Vahed, Lewis Andrews, Kaylei Callaghan and Abbie Kleiner-Mann who came along with me, and were also alumni from Killigrew to help assist in the workshop.

Mrs Gustafson



'It was fun to go back to our old school to see what has changed. The methods of teaching seemed to really work well.' Joe

'It was really great to go back to primary, to see all the teachers and help the students with their learning.' Kaylei

'I really enjoyed today! Teaching the children was fun and meeting the old teachers and students was really good.' Olivia

'I really enjoyed going back to primary and seeing familiar faces. I like helping the Year 6s and seeing how much they knew.' Abbie

'It was a great experience to go back to primary school to help the Year 6s learn.' Lewis



'I really enjoyed the experience working with the Year 6s and seeing old teachers.' Shaun

'The children really enjoyed it, and were engaged throughout. I found it really interesting see the teaching of algebra broken down; it will definitely help in the future....! 'Mr Oswin, Killigrew

APPRENTICESHIP FAIR

We were delighted with the turnout for the Apprenticeship Fair on Wednesday 1st February. It was a huge success with a wide variety of companies in attendance including AECOM, British Telecom, Deloitte, EY, Clipso, BAM Construction and MBDA.

'This was a great idea and I now have a better understanding of how apprenticeships work and I have now decided I would like to take this pathway, and I have applied for a degree apprenticeship within Engineering.' Year 13 student

A parent commented how enthusiastic and helpful the exhibitors were at the fair and said 'I had no idea there were such a wide variety of apprenticeships available and at all different levels, there is literally an alternative pathway for every career path, a fantastic insight.'

British Telecom, that were attending this year for the first time commented on how well organised the fair was and said they had signed up a few interested students for their impressive and sought after apprenticeship schemes.

Both parents and students managed to get a good insight into apprenticeships available and some even managed to get some work experience organised. This will be a regular event and hopefully we will get even more variety of companies in attendance next year.

Each year we strive to extend the variety of industries attending the fair. With the emphasis very much on Apprenticeships at the moment due to the new Apprenticeship Levy commencing in April, we are hoping that next year we will be able to have more exhibitors covering an wider range of industry sectors as this year the fair was heavily dominated by Finance and Engineering.

If you would like to know more about apprenticeship opportunities or how they work please contact our Apprenticeship Advisor Mrs Wood who organised the fair.

She can be contacted either via email <u>m.wood@marlborough.herts.sch.uk</u> or by telephone on 01727 731373.







...continued from page 2

Accelerated Reader

This is an initiative introduced in 2012 to encourage reading and improve literacy. All Year 7, Year 8 and Year 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 then complete an on-line quiz. If the student passes the quiz (set at 70%), they receive house points and a pinkie will be sent home.



...continued from page 3

English Stars of the Month

Congratulations to the following students

Year 7—Reegan Dixon and Kiera Pegg Edwards

Year 8—Caitlin Parry, Tia Parsons, Lewis Andrews and Arianna Munro

Year 9—James Aldridge, Ernie Whybrow, Charlotte Gollick and Joe Gipps

Year 10—Daniel Bedoya, Katie Little and Charlotte Woolley

Year 11—Harrison Gates, Darcey Stachini, Cameron Clark and Olivia Shelley

Year 12 and 13—Luke Foster, Fariha Qureshi and Mika Brooks



Enriching English Literature Year 10 and Year 11 London attractions



LONDON

Did you know that there are lots of places to visit that could enrich your knowledge of the Literature texts you are studying?

Over the half term, or on a sunny Saturday, you could visit Holmes' lodgings, sit in his study and see just what 221b Baker Street is like. Alternatively, if you are reading 'A Christmas Carol' the Dickens museum might be just the ticket. You might be able to get a last minute ticket for 'An Inspector Calls' which is currently playing in the West End. Remember, if you are happy to stand you can see one of Shakespeare's plays at the Globe for just £5.









DINNER DELIBERATIONS

"How was school? What did you do today?"

If little or no response seems far too common around the dinner table, why not encourage some discussion and debate employing the skills they use every day at school.

As an on-going feature we would love to hear your family collaborations to the <u>question</u> we pose.

Do you think the Media is responsible for how people act?

We would love to hear your answers, simply email <u>c.burton@marlborough.herts.sch.uk</u> or h<u>.redfern@marlborough.herts.sch.uk</u>. 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.

School News App

We frequently update our school website throughout the school year to bring you the latest school news, events, and important information affecting you. To make it even easier to access this information, we are pleased to announce the launch of a mobile and tablet app, which you can now download for free from the iOS, Windows and Google Play App Stores. To download the app, simply go to the respective app store and search for 'School News'. Once the app has been downloaded, simply enter our school postcode to subscribe to updates and opt into push notifications, allowing you to receive instant updates on important news, such as school closures, exams and sporting events.

Why you need our School News App:

- Get push notifications to your phone as news happens. In the event of a snow day, or unexpected school closure, you'll receive a notification straight to your mobile device explaining what's happening and when we think the school will reopen.
- Quickly check timings for events. Keep up to date with the latest school dates, term times and key events directly from within the app.
- Feel better connected. With galleries, blog posts and news items, our new School News App will help bring you even closer to what's happening at our school.
- Import events in to your device calendar. The new School News App allows you to import events straight into your device calendar so you can check for clashes and set reminders for upcoming important events.
- Contact the school directly through the App. Need to get in touch? You'll find all the details you'll need in the App.

If you require any more information, please get in touch, or visit our school website.

Mr J Kavanagh Network Manager

Post 16 PSHCE Sessions

This week's session was titled 'Rule of Law' and analysed through re-enacting moments of a real court case played out by the Post 16 students. This showed through first hand experience how the role of magistrate and legal advisors works within a court case scenario.

Speakers for the session were Steve Pam and Gordon Aitkin who currently work as magistrates in St Albans.



Last week Post 16 students had a 'protective behaviours' session, which they found interesting to learn about the brain and how it changes from teenage to adulthood.

'I found it interesting to find out how the teenage brain works and how this affects our behaviour and decision process.'

'The session was very thought provoking, I liked the TED talk.'

The session was led by Charlotte Barton from STEP who have been involved in enrichment for Sixth form this year .

Mrs Rutherford



Volunteers sought to support our students in the D&T department.

- Textiles Technician
- Resistant Materials Technician Woodwork and Engineering

Could you spare between 5-10 hours a week during the school day?

Do you have D&T knowledge and skills that our young people would benefit from?

For further information please contact Mr Salih on s.salih@marlborough.herts.sch.uk

LRC News





Scholastic Book Fair - 20th - 24th February

We will be hosting a Scholastics Book Fair in the LRC at lunchtimes from $20^{th} - 24^{th}$ February.

All Year 7 and 8 students will be given World Book Day tokens which can be redeemed at the fair for £1 off any book. We will have more tokens available in the LRC for any students who would like them.

We are also running a competition to design a book cover. This can be for an imaginary book or a new cover for one of your favourites. See the flyer on next page for more information and <u>click here</u> for a template. There will be one £10 book voucher for 1^{st} prize and 3 runners up prizes of £5 each which can also be redeemed at the fair.

Book Week - 27th February - 3rd March



There will be lots of book related activities and competitions going on all week including the return of the 'Decorate your door' competition, Who's behind the book?, Karaoke in the LRC and lots more.





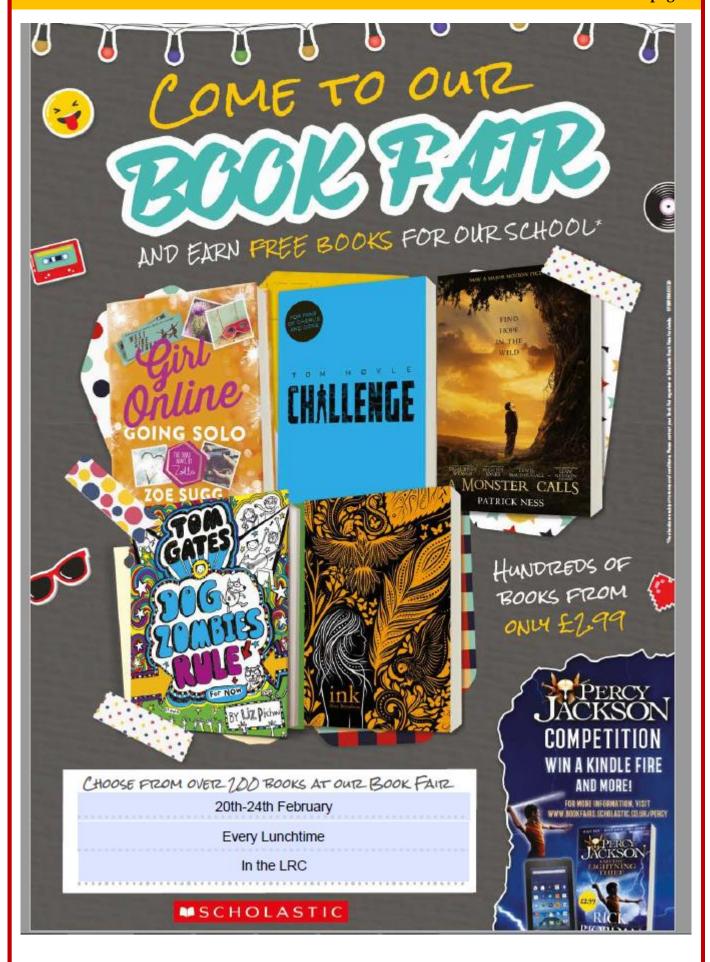








Click here for book cover template



Safer Internet Day 2017

According to national statistics:

1 in 3 children have been a victim of cyberbullying

1 in 7 young people have taken a semi-naked/naked picture of themselves. Over half went on to share the picture with someone else.

Is your child at risk?

These are just two of the online safety issues facing children growing up today. Mobile devices are leading to more and more children having unsupervised access to the internet at any time or place. As such, helping children to understand how to stay safe is more important than ever.

The Marlborough Science Academy celebrated National Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 7th February with a series of assemblies, lessons and tutor-time activities which highlight some of the dangers and to discuss how children can stay safe.

We need your help!

Children are much more likely to talk about things that concern them to their parents and carers than their teachers. Start a conversation with your child to help understand the challenges they face. Here are five questions you could use to start your conversation

- What apps do you use to communicate with other people, and how do you use them?
- Do you know how to change privacy settings on these apps to keep your information private?
- What kind of images is it OK to share online?
- Who would you speak to if something online made you feel uncomfortable?
- What good and bad things does having a phone result in, and what can we do about those bad things?



PE NEWS

Year 7 vs Townsend

The match against Townsend was an extremely exciting game ending 8 – 5 to Marlborough. At half time the score was 3-3 and both teams were attacking with pace and purpose. Marlborough took control of the game early in the second half scoring 4 quick goals without reply. The whole team deserves a mention in this report as it was a fantastic game to be involved in!!

Charlie Harris, Archie Ferguson, Dominic Hipkin, Harry Ovington, Jamie Simmons, Darcy Moffat, Charlie Buss, Harry Doyle and Felix Stanley – well done to you all, great effort on Saturday in tough conditions and against a strong side.

Year 9 vs Townsend

An excellent performance was put in by the boys in a 9-0 win at home to Townsend. Goals From **Josh Forster (4), Ethan Williams, Bryn Wilson (2), Ben Newland** and **Harry Turner** with Man of the Match **Jimmy Donovan** putting in an excellent performance.

Year 8 vs Townsend

The team secured their first victory of the season in 8-0 win against Townsend. In truth Marlborough were rarely troubled by the opposition and dominated the game from the start. An impressive debut from centre back **Thomas Jobson**, combined with goals from **Tyler Cadiou-McCarthy (3)**, **David Agbeni (2) Cain Keller (2)** and a penalty from Man of the Match **Matthew Napier**, led to an easy victory for the boys.

Squad - Elliott Clarke, Daniel George, Thomas Jobson, Joe-Joe Colman (Captain), James Chaney, Cameron Smith, Jake Leech, David Agbeni, Cain Keller, Matthew Napier, Tyler Cadiou-McCarthy, Ben Homfray

Year 8 vs St Albans Boys'

Buoyed on from the previous week's victory, the Year 8 team went into the game full of confidence against a strong St Albans Boys' side.

Although Marlborough started the game well, St Albans Boys' took a 2-0 lead before the in form Tyler Cadiou-McCarthy pulled a goal back. St Albans Boys went 3-1 up before half time although the score flattered them somewhat. The second half began with the pre-planned change of goalkeepers with Will Pearson replacing Elliott Clarke. It was to be an eventful game for Will, as he started the half well, making a number of saves and blocks. However, St Albans Boys' managed to break through the Marlborough defence with their striker poking the ball into the goal before colliding with the onrushing keeper. Sadly for Will this was to be the end of his match as he took a heavy blow to his knee and had to be taken off to the medical room via a first aid buggy.

After a 10 minute delay the game resumed with Elliott replacing the injured Will. Marlborough then pulled a goal back thanks to a fine goal by Man of the Match Tyler. The ball was cleared with some force by Tom Jobson, which Tyler did well to control via his chest, before he flicked the ball over the defender's head in Paul Gascoigne fashion (for those old enough to remember Euro 96) before firing past the goalkeeper.

In truth Marlborough could and should have pulled at least one more goal back. However, it was not to be and the boys had to make do with a 4-2 defeat despite excellent performances from everyone involves. With Cain Keller and Matthew Napier returning for our District Cup fixture against Samuel Ryder, Marlborough look set for a good cup run.

Squad: Elliott Clarke, Daniel George, Thomas Jobson, Joe-Joe Colman (Captain), Ben Homfray, Cameron Smith, Jake Leech, David Agbeni, Matthew Radelat, Tyler Cadiou-McCarthy, Shay Cassidy, Will Pearson

Year 9 v St Albans Boys' School

A very competitive and close game was eventually won by the Year 9s. Leading 2-0 at half time thanks to two goals from **Josh Forster**, St Albans Boys' pulled on back straight after the restart. However a late push from the Marlborough boys saw **Matt Mooney** score and a penalty from **Josh Howarth** made the final score a comfortable 4-1. Man of the match was **Josh Howarth**.

Year 11 v St Albans Boys' School

The year 11 team were stretched due to injury and player unavailability on Saturday but managed to put in a brilliant performance which saw them lead 2-0 by half time thanks to goals from **Harry Smith and Jamie Allen.** The Year 11s were reduced to 10 men in the second half due to injury and managed to hang on for a 2-2 draw in a highly entertaining game played in the right spirit by both teams. Man of the match was **Cameron Clark**.

Year 8 Basketball

A tough first match of the season against Roundwood school saw the Year 8s slip to defeat. After giving themselves a mountain to climb after the first half the Year 8s fought back well and finished strongly with good baskets scored by **Lewis Andrews and Raffi Roberts.**

Swimming

Congratulations to **Daniel Martin 9BS** who has achieved a regional time of 4:45.52 in the 400m free in the last weekend of Herts Counties. This is an amazing achievement as he now has 3 regional times and there are more competitions to come. He has been selected to represent the St Albans District team in the Hertfordshire Secondary Schools Inter-District Championships in March for the Intermediate Boys category (Years 9 and 10).



Eat well, move well, live well

It's that time of year again when we ask for your support in collecting the Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers. Please also let your family and friends know and students can hand the vouchers in at Reception.

Thank you

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

Attendance Matters

Congratulations to the students who have achieved 96% and above last half term -

Year 7 = 130 students

Year 8 = 140 students

Year 9 = 122 students

Year 10 = 86 students

Year 11 = 111 students

We are a school that sets ourselves high expectations in all areas and attendance is no exception. Attending school is extremely important for children's social, emotional and educational development and children who miss a lot of time at school can suffer in the long term from significant gaps in their learning. We need your support to ensure that children's education is not affected through missing time from school.

I therefore would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents/carers of the following:

- Registration begins at 8.40am prompt. We ask that all students arrive at 8.30am to avoid them being late.
- Please leave a message on each day of absence on 01727 731368 explaining the reason why. It is for school to decide if an absence is authorised or unauthorised.
- Please phone daily unless you have made arrangements with your child's Director of Learning
 or the Attendance Officer. We do not know if you have sent your child to school and need to
 know this in order to keep them safe. If we receive no message we will endeavour to contact
 you but we must have at least two up-to-date emergency contact numbers on record to be able
 to do this.

Holiday requests

Parents/carers are requested not to arrange family holidays during term time. Where this is unavoidable, requests for leave of absence should be made in writing to the Headteacher well in advance and may require a meeting with the Headteacher and the Attendance Officer.

Thank you

Mr M Fitzgibbon

Deputy Headteacher



Next PTA Meeting

Wednesday 1st March 7.30pm in the Boardroom. All welcome to attend



Year 7 & 8 Disco Friday 24th March 6.30-8.30pm

The Year 7&8 Disco has been rescheduled to Friday 24th March

Help Needed!

We need adults to help supervise the disco and help with refreshments to ensure this event can go ahead as planned.

If you are able to help out in any way, please email us putting 'Year 7&8 disco help' as the subject of the email.

WANTED

Do you have any unwanted Gifts or Chocolates?

We are planning our future events and need items for prizes for the following:

EASTER CHOCOLATE RAFFLE: We need any <u>unopened</u> chocolates with a best before date after the end of April 2017 to include in an Easter Raffle.

RAFFLE/TOMBOLA: We are collecting unwanted gifts (unopened and unused) to use as prizes at forthcoming events.

All items can be dropped off in reception

OAKLANDS COLLEGE TWILIGHT TASTERS



St Albans Campus Tuesday 28th February 4.45 – 6.00 pm



Welwyn Garden City Campus Wednesday 1st March 4.45 – 6.00 pm



This is a great opportunity for you to gain some hands-on experience in a taster from a wide selection of subjects and find out what college life is really like.

FEEDBACK FROM PREVIOUS TASTERS

'It was great to try something I've never done before'

'It was interesting and fun. Now I know what I want to do at college'

'It was great to experience the college vibe'

During the tasters parents are invited to a presentation on college life and to chat with staff on a wide-range of opportunities and support available to our students.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Please book early as places are limited





St Albans Campus - Tuesday 28th February

Curriculum Area	Description of Activity
Agriculture	Down on the farm
Animal Care	All creatures great and small
Brickwork	Build a brick pyramid
Carpentry	Carving a career in carpentry
Electrical	Get switched on
Equine	Horse handling skills
Garden Design & Landscape Construction	Grow your future
Hospitality & Catering	It's pancake day - flippin' fun!
Multimedia Design & Animation	Creative computer design
Motor Vehicle	Under the bonnet
Public Services	Explore a future in uniformed services
Sports Studies	Fitness testing



Welwyn Garden City - Wednesday 1st March

Curriculum Area	Description of Activity
Applied Science	Investigate a crime scene
Beauty	Introduction to beauty, theatrical make-up
Business	Brand power
Childc are	Child development & messy play
Computing & IT	Developing computer games
Engineering	Manufacturing keyrings
Hair	A cut above
Health & Social Care	Working in a caring profession
Media	Make the cut' in our film making workshop
Music production	Create your own music with Logic 10 software
Performing Arts	So you want to be a star?
Travel & Tourism	Around the world in 60 minutes

For further details and to book email sue.mckinnon@oaklands.ac.uk or call 01727 737561



DSPL 7 (ST ALBANS, HARPENDEN & VILLAGES)
TRAINING PROGRAMME

Simple Solutions Workshops

Simple Solutions with Sally Glossop

Problem solving sessions for parents/carers of children and young people aged 0-25 with Autistic Spectrum Disorder

Wednesday 8th February 2017 Wednesday 29th March 2017 Wednesday 17th May 2017 Wednesday 5th July 2017

All meetings run from: 7.00-8.30pm

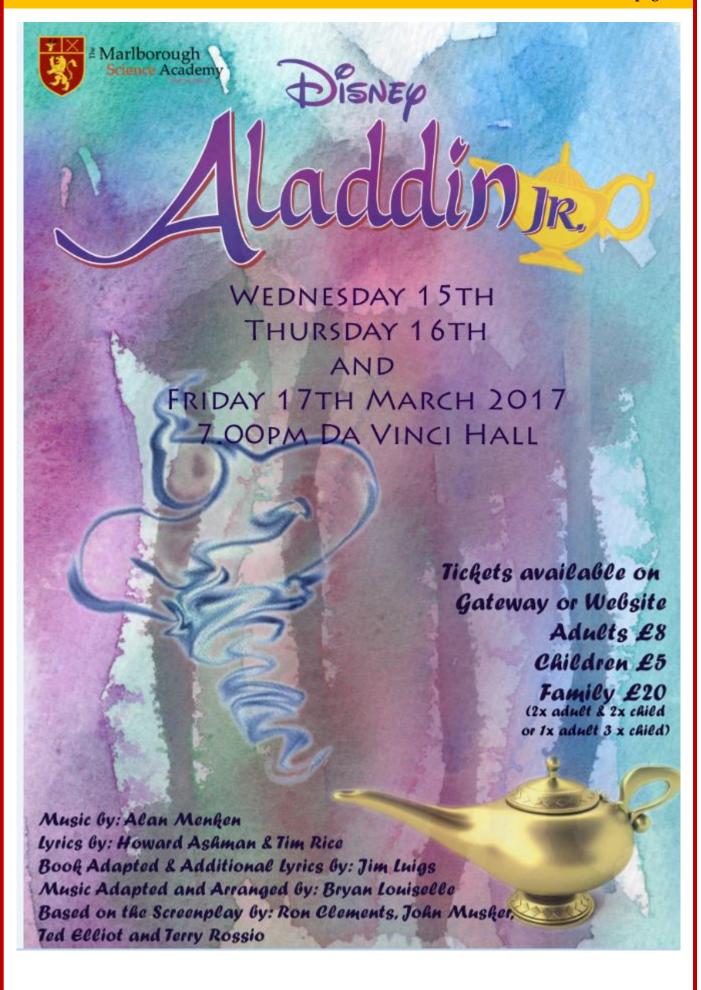
Cost: These workshops are funded by DSPL7, places are limited so please book, using the contact details below. Please note that if you do not book you cannot be notified if a meeting is cancelled.

Venue: St Albans Girls' School, Sandridgebury Lane, St Albans, AL3 6DB

> Parking available in the main car park Entrance via the main reception

> > DSPL7

Booking line: 01727 853134 admin@dspl7.org.uk







Build your future... leave your mark on the local skyline!

Year 10 students! 31 July to 4 August 2017

Make the very most of your school holidays this summer by joining BAM, one of the leading construction companies in the UK, and gain a CREST Bronze Award in Sustainable Communities.

As a construction contractor, BAM manages many prestigious projects, including the construction of Pancras Square at King's Cross.

By taking part in the Challenge CREST Award you will:

- Visit a live construction site
- Undertake research
- Plan a project
- Design a project
- Present your proposal

The successful candidates will develop:

- · Communication and organisational skills
- Time management skills
- Problem solving
- Working to deadlines
- Attention to detail

10011001





This is your chance to learn about the country's largest industry and gain work experience relating to Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) subjects.

To find out more and apply, please contact: June Wilkinson – SummerSchool@bam.co.uk

Closing date for applications: 31 March 2017

Term Dates

Spring Term 2017

Thursday 5th January Beginning of term for staff and students

Friday 10th February INSET Day

Half Term Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February

Friday 7th April Last day of term

Summer Term 2017

Monday 24th April Beginning of term 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 to Tuesday 19th December

Half term Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October

Spring Term 2018

Wednesday 3rd January to Thursday 29th March

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

INSET days and the Occasional day are yet to be confirmed for 2017/2018 term



An official publication of The Marlborough Science Academy Ltd, Watling Street, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1 2QA #08003969 01727 856 874 | www.themarlboroughscienceacademy.co.uk

Please contact Andrea Clegg on a.clegg@marlborough.herts.sch.uk for any information regarding the content of this or future publications.