



Ski Trip 2018

Before the last half term holidays, I had never been skiing in my life. My only knowledge was from those who had been on the trip before, who all insisted it would be amazing. Now, I really see what they meant.

The trip started with a coach journey that was, and probably forever will be, one of the longest of my life. After 20 hours and about 3 hours sleep, we arrived at the Euroski hotel. After getting our luggage sorted and our ski gear for the next day, we collapsed into our beds. The next morning we were up bright and early at 7AM; we weren't too happy about it at first, but we got used to it eventually. We set off on the coach at around 8:30 after breakfast and arrived at the bottom of the Grandvalira ski resort. We headed up the gondola and I was truly amazed at the sight.

As we got off, I couldn't believe how stunning the views were. We were surrounded by beautiful mountains and - almost instantly - I no longer cared about being up at 9:00 in the morning. I was raring to go. We met our instructors (who were all very nice) and began learning. Despite everyone in our beginners group starting the trip like Bambi on ice, every day after that became easier and easier.

Eventually, we were rocketing down green, blue and even a red slope on the last day. It was astounding how quickly we learnt, how much fun we all had and how fast the trip went. Before we knew it, the daily skiing lessons were over and we were back on the coach for another day-long journey. The difference was that this time, we had returned from an amazing experience that we'd never forget.

Evan Robinson



Cereal-sly Fantastic Book Reports

Miss Fogarty's Year 7's were busy last week creating their own cereal box book reviews. Students were asked to read a book over the half term and write a book review with a twist. Their review had to be in the form of a cereal product based on one aspect of their book, all students did amazingly well.



Who's Behind the Book

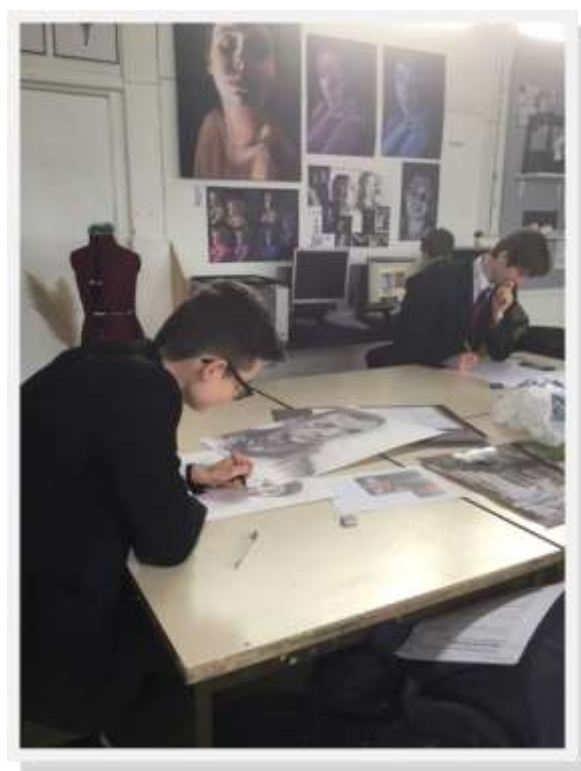
During Book Week there is a quiz running in the LRC for students to guess which member of staff is behind the book.



News from the Art Department

Year 11 have been working exceptionally hard on their exam paper for Art. Their theme is 'Fragments' which has led to some very intellectual and sensitive thinking. Some students are examining physical fragments within our environment and some are looking at more conceptual ideas such as fragmented thoughts, feelings or relationships. All the students without exception are working extremely hard to create some very original and exciting projects. We are very proud of their achievements so far and looking forward to the work that materialises from this study.

Ms Bustin



Photography Winners

The St Albans Camera Club ran their annual Schools competition in January, open to all post 16 students in St Albans. There were 30 entries from Marlborough's Photography students (more than any other school/college) and massive congratulations to **Michaella Buer** in Year 12 who not only won but was also highly commended on another of her images. She has won a Master-class with a local professional photographer. Her photographs along with those of 10 other Marlborough Photography students will be exhibited in St Albans Abbey from 10-17th March which is open to the public. I am really proud of them!

Ms Rickman

'Sky High' by Michaella Buer

Please click [here](#) to view the other amazing entries.



News from the Art Department

Manga inspired self portraits created by Year 8 Art students. Students researched and practised portrait drawing in Manga style before these were created. The outcomes have all been brilliant! Well done Year 8.

Ms Rickman



A Survivor's Story: Holocaust Memorial Visit

On a blustery and dark February morning Miss Fogarty took a group of students to Northwood Synagogue to learn about the Holocaust. Students were greeted warmly by the members of the synagogue and its resident Rabbi. During the introduction, students were encouraged to consider how the lessons from the Holocaust still remain unlearnt as genocide continues to occur throughout the world.

With this still fresh in their minds, the students were split into groups and participated in workshops in order to gain an insight to life of Jewish person in Nazi occupied Europe.

However, the real privilege was when a Holocaust survivor (Harry Olmer) spoke to the students about his experiences of the war and how he managed to survive one of the worst human atrocities ever seen. Harry was born 15th of November, 1927 in a small town in Poland. He was one of six children yet, only three (including himself) survived the Holocaust. Harry survived not only one, but three concentrations camps and numerous work assignments.

When he was liberated from Theresienstadt in 1945 he was brought to England where he studied in Glasgow before becoming a qualified dentist in 1953.

It was a truly humbling moment as the students understood that they would be one of the last generations to ever hear a survivor's testimonial.



"The trip was amazing – it was powerful to hear the testimonial of someone who had managed to live through so much hardship." **Tilly Knight**

"I really enjoyed learning about Harry journey and what it was really like to live under Hitler's rule." **Joe Wicks**

"The workshop was brilliant – I learnt things that I had never even thought about. It was really moving." **Chloe Fisher**

"His life was truly amazing. I am honoured to have heard it." **Ellie Fitzmaurice – Basson**

Book Week in the LRC

There were an amazing number of entries for the book cover competition. Congratulations to our four winners with these prize winning book jackets and they were all Year 7, **Russell Panes**, **Anya Bowers**, **Keira Leece Blackett** won £5 vouchers and **Jamie Jobson** won £10 voucher.



Events during Book Week in the LRC included a second hand book sale, karaoke for Years 7 and 8 and a house competition making book covers. Due to the adverse weather Book Week has been extended to this week for another second hand book sale and 'Who's Behind the Book Competition.'



PE News

Marlborough school teams have been on outstanding form recently qualifying for a number of county level 3 competition finals.

The girls and boys Year 7 and 9 indoor rowing teams competed at the Roundwood school last week and finished runners up to Sir John Lawes school. Each team member had to row 500m as fast as possible before switching places with the next team mate on there way to 2000m in total. A lot of fun was had and everyone participated with excellent sportsmanship.

The Year 8 handball team won one game and lost another at the qualifiers held at Sandringham school. This is a very new sport to a number of the boys involved who had a thoroughly good time and learnt a lot.

The Year 10 boys dodgeball team also had masses of fun at the district competition held at Marlborough. Although they lost their opening game against Sir John Lawes they fought back to win against Townsend in the next game played with speed and skill.

All the teams mentioned will now go on to represent St Albans and Harpenden at the county finals held at Wodson Park, Ware on the 20th March.

Lady Taverners Cricket Tournament



Last Monday the Year 9 girls team took part in the Lady Taverners indoor cricket tournament. They were placed in a pool with John Warner and Queenswood. Our opening match against Queenswood was a tough one for the girls but that was to be expected when they hadn't played other than in training. Our second match against John Warner was a different story. The girls read the game well and began to pick up different tactics to outwit their opponent. As a result we won. This left us in second position in our pool, meaning we were to play Presdales in a 3rd and 4th place playoff. Unfortunately the result didn't go our way but it was a relatively close game and the girls should be very pleased with how they played, especially as they were up against several county cricketers who were a year older than them. Marlborough came a healthy 4th out of 6 in the whole competition. Thank you so much to the following girls who put in a lot of time and effort to train twice a week in the lead up to the competition, you did the school proud!

Squad: Jenna Hutton, Abby Simpkin, Lydia Edwards, Lilly Smith, Kayra Karakus, Paige Vincent, Abbie Kleiner-Mann, Alice Rose and Isabella Francois.

Miss Arrol

Year 11 Hoodies

The Year 11 Hoodies can be ordered via the school gateway, the deadline is **28/3/18**. Once the order has been placed with our supplier no further orders can be taken so please do not miss out. Please speak with Ms Bazell in the Pastoral office on 01727731392 if you have not received a letter. Thank you

Health and Safety Notice

Please can I request that if you drop your child off early at school, then you do so at the Pascal Hall entrance and remind them that they must remain there until at least 8am please. This is to ensure that if we have a Fire activation or other emergency we are aware of who we have on site and where they will be so that we can ensure their safety.

Thank you for your support

Mr Paice

Estates Manager

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 they wouldn't like to go to any other school, they feel safe in school, and teachers deal with problems really well. They like learning new things and their teachers don't shout.

Year 8 said they feel safe in school, they get a chance to be creative and their lessons are fun. Everyone is respectful to each other and teachers make sure that students are happy. They made special mention to Mr Hogan's and Miss Murphy's lessons, in which they explain difficult concepts and make learning fun.



Marlborough Productions Presents
Music by Alan Menken Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Tim Rice Book by Linda Woolverton

Disney
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
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Da Vinci Hall
Wednesday 14th - Friday 16th March 2018 7.00
Tickets: Adults £8 Concessions £5
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Tickets available online via school website: www.themarlbroughscienceacademy.co.uk

Originally Directed by Robert Jess Both
Originally Produced by Disney Theatrical Productions
This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International (Europe) All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI Europe
www.mtishows.co.uk

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PSHCEE



Thursday 8th February Post 16 students welcomed Rob, Associate Director and Sean, a graduate mechanical engineer from Aecom. Sean spoke to the students about his pathway from A levels, onto a mechanical engineering degree to a graduate role at Aecom. Rob spoke about some of the interesting projects that Aecom have most recently been involved with such as Nova Victoria, the award winning UK's first Carbon Neutral Lab for GSK at the University of Nottingham, Parliament Northern Estates programme and the Old War Office. It was interesting to hear about the diverse projects that Aecom work on from new builds like Nova Victoria to listed buildings like the Old War Office and the restrictions they bring.

Year 13 students who have accepted their university offers were given some sound student finance advice from Mrs Rutherford and Ms Edwards.

Magistrates visit

Post 16 students had a Rule of Law presentation and found out about how criminal and magistrates court work and took part in a role play courtroom scenario of a knife crime event. Thank you to Andrew and David from West and Central Herts Magistrates for taking the time to visit Marlborough.



'During PSHE today I was lucky enough to take part in an assembly about the Magistrates Court in Hertfordshire. This was a great insight into the the justice system and really broadened my knowledge of jobs in law. During a mock trial in a magistrates court I played the role of a defence lawyer, this was extremely interesting and luckily my client was found not guilty! I also had the opportunity to attend a meeting with Barbara from a Mental Health Trust in the NHS. As someone interested in a career in medicine this really benefited me as it gave me an insight into the day to day tasks that you would face in the NHS and the skills needed to work with patients.'

Cameron Clark 12CC

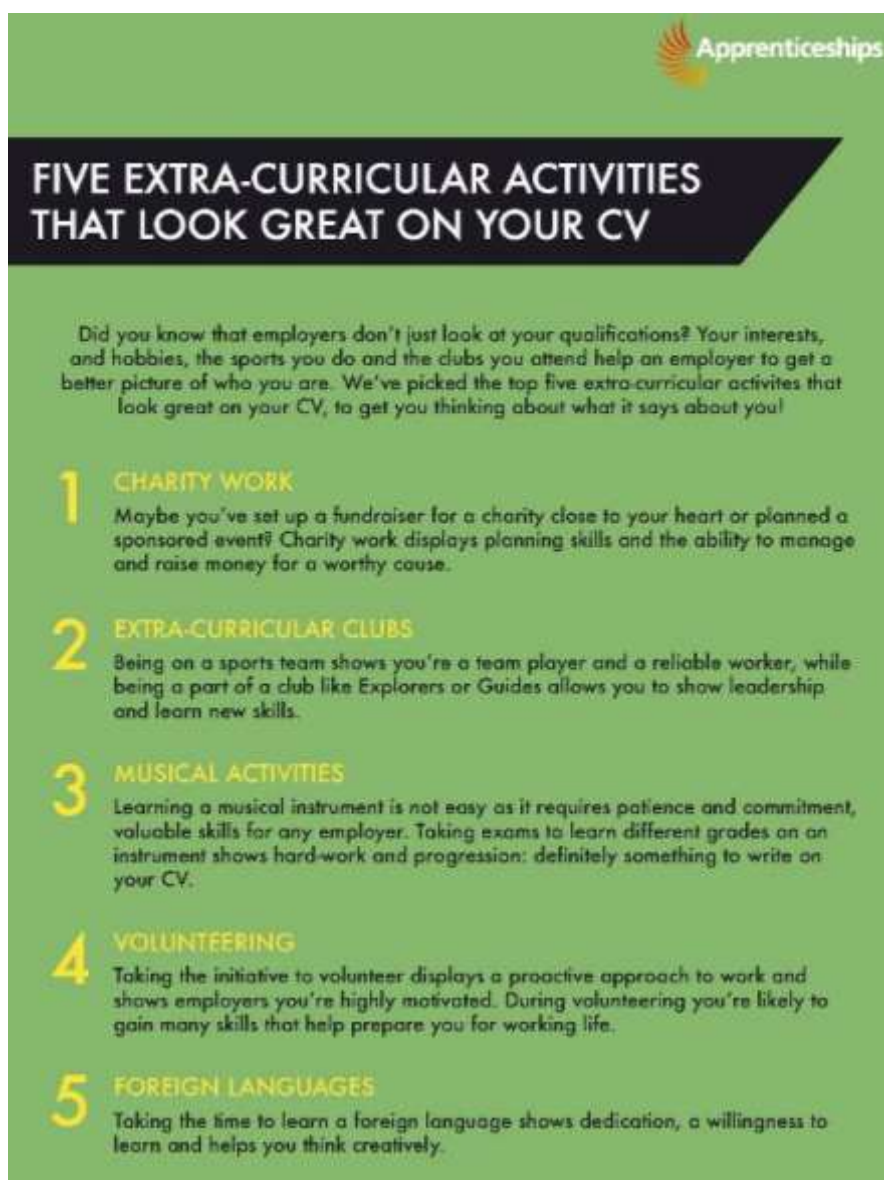
PSHCEE

Hertfordshire Partnership

Last week we also welcomed Barbara Del Gaudio, NHS Education Manager for HPFT - Hertfordshire Partnership University NHS foundation trust who came in to talk to our Post 16 students who are thinking of a career in the NHS. Brenda's specialism is Mental Health and Learning Disabilities spoke to Year 12 and 13 students about careers in mental health and learning Disability, in particular the apprenticeship degree route into nursing.

'I found the session with Barbara today very useful, from someone who has been struggling looking for pathways to do with mental health other than uni, I have finally found something I can consider. The apprenticeship route was discussed clearly and I am excited to research more into it and hope for possible work experience to do with this especially having an interest in counselling and rehabilitation.'

Naya Watts Year 13



Apprenticeships

FIVE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES THAT LOOK GREAT ON YOUR CV

Did you know that employers don't just look at your qualifications? Your interests, and hobbies, the sports you do and the clubs you attend help an employer to get a better picture of who you are. We've picked the top five extra-curricular activities that look great on your CV, to get you thinking about what it says about you!

- 1 CHARITY WORK**
 Maybe you've set up a fundraiser for a charity close to your heart or planned a sponsored event? Charity work displays planning skills and the ability to manage and raise money for a worthy cause.
- 2 EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS**
 Being on a sports team shows you're a team player and a reliable worker, while being a part of a club like Explorers or Guides allows you to show leadership and learn new skills.
- 3 MUSICAL ACTIVITIES**
 Learning a musical instrument is not easy as it requires patience and commitment, valuable skills for any employer. Taking exams to learn different grades on an instrument shows hard-work and progression: definitely something to write on your CV.
- 4 VOLUNTEERING**
 Taking the initiative to volunteer displays a proactive approach to work and shows employers you're highly motivated. During volunteering you're likely to gain many skills that help prepare you for working life.
- 5 FOREIGN LANGUAGES**
 Taking the time to learn a foreign language shows dedication, a willingness to learn and helps you think creatively.

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Tesco Community vote

Good news - our M Festival is in the Tesco Community Bags of Help initiative in local Tesco stores throughout March and April. You vote with a blue plastic coin when leaving the shop for one of three chosen charities. If we get the most votes we will receive £4,000 towards our school (£2,000 for second, £1,000 if we are third).

So if you are shopping in any of the stores below in the next couple of months don't forget to vote for our school! Please note sometimes you need to ask for the tokens at the checkout.

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Also please encourage friends and family to vote for us and also watch out for this being promoted on various Facebook sites in the coming weeks. If you can share these posts to encourage your friends to vote for our school it will help increase our chances of winning the vote!

By the way don't forget to buy your tickets for this year's M Festival. Early bird discounted prices are available until the end of March via the website www.themfestival.co.uk

The Marlborough Science Academy First Day Absence Call Procedure

- Registers taken promptly.
- Attendance team listen to absence calls, read absence emails and check school comms messages.
- Registers collated, lates, absence calls - produce the list of children absent with no explanation (these will be N marks on SIMS).
- Any discrepancies will be chased up in school.
- Send school comms (texts and emails), if no response start first day calling for children absent without explanation, call everyone on the contact list until you get an answer. Leave messages if there is a voicemail option.
- If an overseas ring tone, a check is made with DoLs and the Head teacher to see if there has been any contact for holiday authorisation.
- If no replies at all consider whether any children have additional agency support, such as a social worker, contact them.
- Speak to any family members in school to ask about the child's whereabouts.
- Call the contact list at least twice and send out another set of school comms at PM registration if we have not had any communication.
- Make a prompt home visit if we have concerns.
- If you cannot get an answer from the home visit refer to children's services / MASH / Police and request a welfare call.

Finance Office

The Finance Office is currently experiencing a high volume of students asking for hand written receipts for revision guides that have paid for via School Gateway.

Please may we request that you print off payment confirmations wherever possible so that your child can show these directly to their subject teacher – they will then be given the relevant books.

Payment confirmations can be accessed by logging into your School Gateway account and clicking into the Payment History section. Every transaction will be displayed and by clicking into a transaction it will then show a breakdown of what that particular payment covers.

Your child can then either take a photo on their phone (if they have one) or you can print this information by right- clicking and choosing the print option.

Thank you

The Finance Team

E-safety message from a Year 7 student

Keep your things to yourself

It is very important that you keep yourself safe whilst you are on your electronic devices. There is a very clear line between the do's and don'ts and it is very important that you stay safe when playing – especially online or with anonymous players. You must be aware of what you are doing when going on a gadget, so here are some examples of what to be mindful of.

- Don't share inappropriate parts of your body on social media
- Don't share anything with people you don't know
- Personal pictures are no longer yours once they have been spread across social media
- Keep your settings on private
- Your private information should stay that way – private
- Strangers should not be speaking to you, so do not speak to them

Inappropriate pictures, private information and strangers can get you into all sorts of trouble, which is never a good thing at all. It's okay to make mistakes, but it is even better if you don't create them in the first place.

You should always be aware of what you are taking a photo of. It could be rude, inappropriate, embarrassing, mean, revealing, unsafe, sexting and so on. You must get permission to send pictures of other people, let alone taking the picture in the first place. Did you know that sexting is illegal? You could go to jail for it. So many people get tricked into posting revealing images to unknown users, and can get tied into doing things that embarrass them or scare them.

Your private information is yours to keep and not to share. It is so dangerous to show things like where you go to school, if your parents are at home, where you live, and so much more. People will know where you go and where you are if your location settings are on. It's perfectly fine if you're sending your location to just some friends, but it is silly to show it publicly. If you send something online, it's going to stay there forever, so if you post locations of where you live, go to school or hang out, anyone could see it at all times, not just those on your contacts.

Strangers are sometimes lovely people and are sometimes the person that you wish you never met, for all the negative reasons. Unless you know this person face to face, it is most likely a childish idea to say hello and have a chat. Sometimes you don't even know this person, you might just know them from another friend's cousin's grandpa's daughter's son. The line of relationship can get very difficult. This person might be related to a close friend and might be nice to them, but that doesn't mean that they'll be the same around you. Just because one person knows them from some place else, doesn't mean you should accept them right away. I'm not suggesting that from here on you shut everyone out if they're related to a friend, but you just have to be aware.

Charlotte Joyce Year 7

[From privacy to parental controls - resources for parents and carers who want to know more about gaming](#)

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Autumn Term 2018

Wednesday 5th September to Friday 21st December 2018

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Friday 15th February—Inset Day

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Tuesday 23rd April to Friday 19th July 2019

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