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MFL on Tour - France 2018

France- how can I summarise the trip? Fun, breath-taking and historical.

On the 26th of May Mr Henshall took 69 Year 8 students on an unforgettable trip to France. Having arose in the early hours of the morning, the Year 8s were raring to go and the coach was soon filled with laughter and chatter. Although the journey to Dover was long, it was made easier with the joyful singing of several of our students.

Once we disembarked the ferry, the students had the opportunity to visit the Canadian National Vimy memorial. The memorial is dedicated to the Canadian Expeditionary force members killed during World War One. While the Vimy Memorial was beautiful, both students and staff were struck by the eerie silence that seemed to surround it. It was extremely humbling to stand where so many soldiers had before us.

However, day two was completely different. The students spent Sunday in Parc Astérix which is just outside of Paris. Parc Astérix is a theme amusement park in France, based on the comic book series Astérix. The day was filled with fun, thrills and frivolity with many students commenting that it was better than Disney, primarily because of the shorter queues!



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By the time day three rolled around, the students were eager to get out and see what French culture and history was all about. First stop was to Château de Fontainebleau which is one of the largest royal Châteaus. Currently, its date of construction is

The earliest record of a fortified castle at Fontainebleau dates to 1137. Since the XIIth century, the Château de Fontainebleau served as a residence for the French monarchs from François Ier to Napoleon III. The Château de Fontainebleau has been embellished by each King of France who lived there, making it become a wonderful palace. Again, we felt the presence of the past as we wandered down the elegant hallways.



Then, it was off to the medieval town of Provins to watch a medieval jousting show – an ancient battle between good versus evil which of course, good won! The fun did not stop there, that evening the students went bowling and Ms Redfern finally got above 20 points. Well done!





Now, the day the students (and Ms Eastwood) had been waiting for had finally arrived – DISNEYLAND PARIS! Though the day started off dark and cloudy, it was impossible to ruin the electric atmosphere that filled the coach and indeed, the whole of Disneyland. What made this morning extra special was Jack Bibby's wonderful rendition of "Let it Go!" from the Disney smash hit, 'Frozen.' The day was magical but it was undoubtedly the illuminations that night that left both adult and child full of wonder and the magic of 'what if.'

Sadly, it had to come to an end. On the last day, the students had the opportunity to visit an artisan chocolate shop and learn how chocolate is made. It was delicious. What a wonderful trip! **Ms Fogarty**

"It was really fun and interesting to see the different culture. I particularly enjoyed Parc Asterix." **Jon**

"Disneyland Paris was spectacular; the attention to detail was mind blowing." **Robyn**

"I feel extremely lucky and privileged to have experienced two very different theme parks as well as the medieval town." **Stanley**

"The illuminations at Disneyland Paris were out of this world. I was speechless at their beauty." **Isabel**

"It was amazing to see how the chocolate was made in the factory. It was delicious." May



Heads of School



After a hard fought campaign, much canvassing, interview process and poster displays the votes are in -

Congratulations to Yasmin Ali, Head Girl, Leah Rowson, Deputy Head Girl, Cameron Clark, Head Boy and Will McManus, Deputy Head Boy.

Our role here at the school consists of making sure there is a strong bond between students and teachers and making sure that the students have their voices heard. One of our main goals as Heads of School is to tackle the issues of poor mental health, we are looking to raise awareness for people suffering with these problems by having speakers in school for assemblies and PSHCE lessons. Also we will put our effort into helping students who may be facing these issues. We are always open to help and support anyone in need, we are always listening to any ideas that the students have and we will to the best of our abilities look to act on these.

Food ACES Day

On Wednesday the Food Technology department had their first of two ACEs days this year. Thirteen students spent the day creating an amazing chocolate honeycomb drizzle cake. The students made vanilla and chocolate cakes to create a tall 4 layered sponge. They learnt how to make flowers from sugar paste , made their own honeycomb and then covered their cake with buttercream. After decorating their cakes all the students were very proud of what they had achieved and so they should have been. The finished results were amazing , what a fabulous group of talented students and wow what amazing cakes from them all.



Madison Fletcher, Katie Hamm, Melissa Howe, Tom Jobson, Ruby King, Ciara Maloney, Natasha Marsh, Kiera Pegg-Edwards, Jennifer Pooley, Ella Savage, Lily Smith, Isabelle Smith and Evie Summers.



Saturday June 30th

With another record crowd joining us at the end of June we are on target to raise over £16,000 for the benefit of our students this year.

As the Festival grows we need more volunteers to help us run the event and while many parents, staff and students have already volunteered we still need help for the following:

- **Friday evening set up**. We will be there from 4pm. Please sign up for an hour or two to help set up the arena...
- **Saturday during the Festival**...we still have lots of opportunities for you to be involved as follows:
 - Festival stall/tombola 5pm to 7pm we need 2 people ...involves selling the merchandise and selling tickets for the everyone a winner tombola
 - BBQ ...cooking or taking the cash / vouchers. Slots available from 2-3pm and after 5pm for up to 3 people each hour.
 - Bar ...help needed from 6pm 11pm for up to 4 people per hour serving drinks
 - Art and craft....we offer some free craft activities as well as for example t shirt or bag painting/ stencilling. We need volunteers from 4pm to 7pm
 - Lucky Ducks ...need one person per hour from 2pm 6pm to run this for the little ones.
 - Car Parking ...we need two more helpers from 2pm 3pm and one more person between 3pm and 6pm.
- Lastly the **Sunday clear up**....We will be there from 9am and with enough volunteers will finish by lunchtime. Even just an hour on Sunday morning would be appreciated.

You can see all the available volunteer slots and sign up here: https://slotted.co/mfest2018 It only takes a minute to do your bit!

For those parents that have already signed up, thank you. Please just check your volunteer slot does not clash with your child performing on either stage.

This year the gates open at **1.45pm** with acts ranging from a steel band to indie bands, soul and pop acts and of course the school acts who competed at our Battle of the Bands last month. We also have two great headliners in Glitterbomb led by Tom Billington and the ever popular Soulfish finishing the Festival on our main Oak stage.

The Silver Birch stage is moving outside this year and features many more school acts plus local talent including Hope, San Blas and Phoenix O'Neill. We have even more activities this year ranging from art workshops and glitter tattoos to fun fair rides, zorbs, bouncy castles, circus skills, bungee trampolining, henna tattoos and lego fun.

More details can be found at www.themfestival.co.uk

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Invitation

You are invited to celebrate the achievements and view the work of GCSE and A Level Art, Media & Photography students at a private view in the Art department on

Tuesday 26th June, from 4.00 to 6.00pm

Refreshments available



You are invited to celebrate the achievements and view the work of GCSE Resistant Materials and A Level 3D Product Design students at a private viewing in the reception foyer.

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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 it is a good school and made special mention to their Science, Food Technology and Art lesson, particularly when they had to make a jelly fish from papier-mâché. When asked about a lesson where they had been challenged recently, they mentioned PE because they had to run 800m and prefer to run shorter distances! They feel proud, lucky and privileged to be at Marlborough and like the support they received when settling in. They think the communication between students and staff is good. They made special mention to their English lesson where they watched a video on Canterbury Tales and their Drama class where they had to make up their own play.

Year 9 -said they enjoy being here and made special mention to their Drama and D&T lessons and enjoy the variation in their learning. They said that their teachers are determined to teach and support everybody and get the best of them. They made special mention to their Drama, Maths and English lessons, where they enjoyed being challenged

Year 10—said they feel safe and supported in school and made special mention to their PE, Performing Arts and Classics lessons as being memorial and enjoyable.



Well done to our Year 10 D of E students. All the students had a very successful weekend, despite the hot conditions, each and every student managed to successfully abide by the Duke of Edinburgh's regulations to pass their expedition. A huge congratulations to all the Year 10s who achieved this qualification.

Mr James

Introducing Blue Hour



Hi. I'm Jevon Langridge and I play bass and sing in a band called 'Blue Hour.' The band was first created late 2016 at the start of the new academic year. The only members were Liam Gustafson (Drummer) and Finn Harris (Vocals and rhythm guitar).

Throughout that year members joined and left. However, with the M Fest 8 being only a couple months away, Liam and Finn needed a bassist, I decided to step in for the M Fest 8 and the gig was a great success. We thought about widening the band even more this academic year to a four piece, when I thought about this, I knew who could take the role. So, we spoke to Ben Shepheard (Lead guitar) and he said yes.

Since M Fest 8 we had no idea when our next proper gig would be. Until April this year, when we found out about the Battle of the Bands. This was our chance to show the whole school what we could do. We knew the competition would be tough, so we decided to perform our own song titled '5 more minutes.' We knew it was risky because we hadn't performed it, however the judges gave us some great feedback, I remember one line 'if you said that it was by a famous band, I would have believed you.' That made us all so happy. To end this awesome night, we were lucky enough to come out victorious and win the Battle of the Bands!!!

The band after that night was starting to grow. Our social media was getting larger and we also had a gig booked outside of school and The Horn in St Albans for the 24th of July. We would love to see you at the gig on the 24th of July. If you would like to buy a ticket to our gig at The Horn, tickets are only £4 unless bought at the door, where they will be £6. Students aged 14+ are allowed in but must be accompanied by an adult. If you are under 18 however, don't worry because we have been given a slot on the main stage at M Fest. We will be playing around 3 or 4pm, times are still being sorted so we can't give you an exact time.

If you would like a ticket to the gig at The Horn come and find us Jevon Langridge, Liam Gustafson, Finnian Harris or Ben Shepheard. If you don't know us in person you can request tickets from our social media. Our Instagram account is @blue.hour.band and our Facebook page is 'Blue Hour Band.' Thank you and we hope to see you at one of our upcoming gigs!!!

Book Review

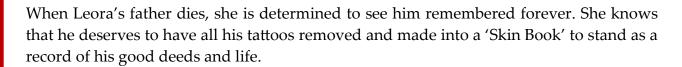
Ink

By Alice Broadway

An urgent fear of otherness permeates Broadway's eerie debut, set in a society where tattoos tell a person's life story and to be without them is to be unknowable.

Imagine a world where everything you do is documented on your skin. Your triumphs, your fails – your history written on your skin. In Sainstone this isn't a game of imagination; this is their reality.

Here, those who break the laws are mark and publically shamed, babies who die before getting their first tattoo are forgotten and the so-called "blanks" (those whose bodies are free from tattoos) are loathed.



But, when she discovers that his skin book has been edited and his book is incomplete, she wonders: did ever really know the man she called her father? It falls to her to unravel the family's secrets before the community's elders make the decision that he is to be forgotten and the pages of is book burned.

While the author fails to detail why tattoos and skin books are the only two ways a person can be remembered, Broadway uses the plot to explore the ideas of loss and grief, the decisions we make and courage to push against social norms.

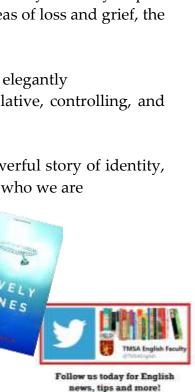
As Leora enters the adult world as an apprentice inker, Broadway elegantly depicts her discoveries and the way power can become manipulative, controlling, and deceptive.

The first book in a dazzlingly inventive new trilogy, INK is a powerful story of identity, belonging, community and the relationship between our skin and who we are underneath.

What two books should you be reading?

- -'The Lovely Bones' by *Alice Seabold*
- -'Thirteen Reasons Why' by Jay Asher

Ms Fogarty



@TMSAEnglish



Student Achievements



Well done **Graham Hall Year 7**, who was voted Player of the Season by his teammates at Evergreen FC. Graham plays for the Evergreen Jackals U12 squad and has been playing with the team for 7 years. He is proud to say his team are also league winners and are promoted to the next league up for the next season.





Great news from **Billy Mardell –Smith Year 7** who plays for Watford Academy U12s. During the half term they played games over 3 days and shared a hotel with Roma and Bologna!

The team played in the Europa Cup and came 4th out of 32 teams, winning all group stages but being defeated by Roma in the semis. They got medals and a cup for the achievement!

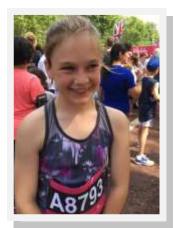
Billy trains for the team 4 nights a week with matches on Sundays and has recently found out that he has been signed for another two years to play for Watford Academy. Well done Billy!

Student Achievements

Well done to our Pretty Muddy runners, **Jade, Izzy, Olivia and Amy** who with their families did really well on a lovely sunny Saturday morning to raise funds for Cancer Research. In total their fundraising pages have currently raised over £2100.00.



'A massive hug to everyone who ran with me last Saturday and for their support. A huge thank, to you for all your kind donations, with your help we have currently raised just over £2100 for Cancer Research. Thank you.' Loraine Brewer



Elsa Leech in Year 7 was too young to take part in the Pretty Muddy Run so she will be running in the St Albans 10k Race for Life in July in memory of Ellie.

She has already run a 5k and has been training on Saturdays by competing in the St Albans park runs.

https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/elsaleech

PE News County Athletics Championships

On Saturday 9th June 5 students who had all reached the qualifying distances/times to gain selection for the county athletics championships arrived at Jarman Park, Hemel Hempstead to compete. The weather was hot and sunny for most of the day which made competing tough but enjoyable for our students, who were representing the school in a mixture of events.

Shion Evans Year 7 competed in both the 100m and 200m sprint races. He qualified for the finals in both events finishing 6th in 100m final and 8th in the 200m finals.

Tia Lorraine Year 7 won through from the heats of the 100m and finished 4th in the finals missing out on a medal by 0.47 of a second.

Charlotte Forster Year 7 qualified for the finals in the 200m where she finished in 6th place overall.

Lydia Edwards Year 9 also finished 6th in the finals having qualified as one of the fastest from the 3 heats that were run.

All the students were a huge credit to the school and performed superbly. Well done

Mr Packard

District Athletics

Our athletics team were amazing on Thursday at the District Athletics Championships. They all were exceptional performances and we must congratulate our medal winners.







Ben Hudnott Year 8 Bronze in Javelin Charlotte Forster Year 7 Silver 200m Jasper James Year 8 Bronze 100m

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Tia Loraine Year 7 Silver 100m



Lily Smith Year 7 Bronze in Discus





Amazing Rosie!

Pre-junior County discus champion Rosie Vass, winning throw of 24.88m. And after Thursday's Championships is now District and County discus Champion.

Girls Cricket

Congratulations to our Girls Cricket teams. The Year 7s came joint top of their group which meant they went into the semis. The Year 9 team played Presdales in the final and won by eight runs, and are the winners of the Calypso Cricket Plate.





Children's football - Players needed



Harvesters Football Club are recruiting for new players to join next season's U13's, current School Year 7 students, going up into year 8.

Either visit the website – <u>www.harvestersfc.co.uk</u> or email direct to andy.parker@harvestersfc.co.uk

Rocket to the Future



If you are planning to go to University here are links to some helpful pages:

UCAS

Student Finance—everything you need to know



Click on image above to find out more

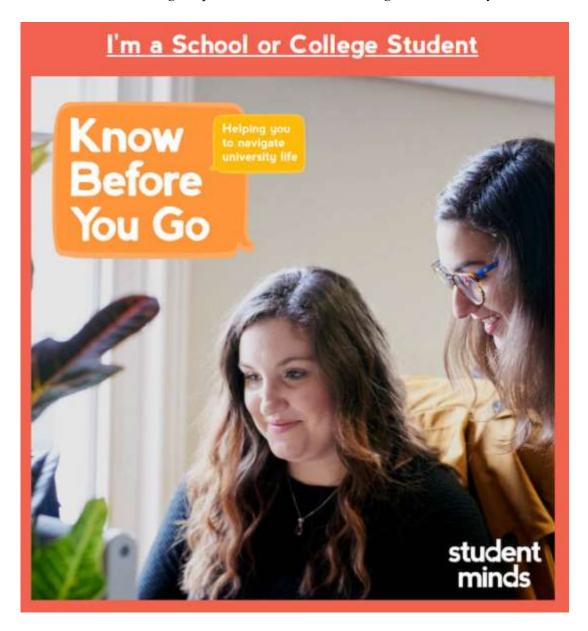


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Application deadline: 8th July

Face to face interviews: 17th - 31st August

Start date: 17th and 18th September Apply Here



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Internet Safety and Awareness



Have a conversation

It is really important to chat with your children on an ongoing basis about staying safe online.

Not sure where to begin? These conversation starter suggestions can help.

- 1. Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.
- 2. Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?
- 3. Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.
- 4. Encourage them to help someone! Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.
- 5. Think about how you each use the internet. What more could you do to use the internet together? Are there activities that you could enjoy as a family?

https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers

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.

'After seeing the new Sixth form build I am pleased to see how it will turn out. There are nice purpose built classrooms, I am excited to see how modern and open it will look. I look forward to using it.'

'The new Sixth Form centre is spacious and will be a key part of Marlborough. It will look professional and will attract many aspiring students. The social and silent areas will be a great asset to the centre.'

'It is extremely modern with great space and the rooms are structured well bringing independence to the sixth formers.'

Current Year 11 students

Please click <u>here</u> to go to our SEND provision page

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The Rothamsted Festival of Ideas brings together activities, exhibitions and demonstrations to immerse you in the science of feeding the world. The event is free and open to all with something for everyone, from young to old.



https://www.rothamsted.ac.uk/events/rothamsted-festival-ideas

Term Dates

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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