



Student Achievement

As well as playing for the school netball team, Sofia Summer 8KB plays for Kardale Netball Club, training weekly and playing matches at weekends. As with most team sports this stopped during lockdown. England Netball worked hard to introduce changes to make the game "Covid safe" including further spacing for marking and regular ball sanitisation.

In August, the netball club started individual fitness training outdoors. This was followed by the resumption of proper (outdoor) training sessions in September.



Sofia was then put forward by her Netball coach to try out for the Hertfordshire U13 Team.

There were separate trials for attacking positions, central positions and defence positions and

Sofia, who usually plays GD (Goal Defence) for the school and club, went to the defence trial on Tuesday 13th October.

This was followed by a further "final" trial on Tuesday 20th October and Sofia was then selected for the Hertfordshire County U13 squad.

The team met once prior to this recent lockdown but Sofia has taken part in weekly online strength and conditioning fitness sessions in preparation for play to resume soon.



Well done Sofia! Your enthusiasm and dedication to sport in both PE lessons and extra-curricular is excellent – keep up the fantastic work.

Student Achievement

These concertina sketchbooks were created by year 12 students in response to topical issues they were interested in exploring. These included the lockdown, Covid, isolation, mental health, BLM and protests, Donald Trump and the government.





Competitions

TMSA House Christmas tree competition.



To enter fill in the google form and upload your photo. <https://forms.gle/XMQtNbmNcd3XYKvGA>

Each entry will receive a house point, the house with the most entries will win the competition.

Only one entry per person.

Entries must be either of your home Christmas tree or one in your local community.



House Christmas Card Design Competition



We would like you to create your own Christmas card design.

You can physically make a card using pens, paint, collage etc or you can design a digital card.

If you create something digitally be careful to ensure that any images you include are not subject to copyright. You can still search using Google but will need to use the advanced search.

Details of how to do this can be found here (you will need to scroll down the page) <https://www.searchenginewatch.com/2013/08/16/how-to-find-free-images-with-googles-advanced-image-search/>



Once you have created your design you need to upload your finished artwork to Google Classroom. Details have been sent out by Edulink. This can either be your digital design or a photo of your card.

If you would like us to see your original card you can also bring it to the LRC where there will be a box for entries. Make sure you put your name on it! You will still need to upload a photo.

Every entry will earn a house point and the house with the most entries will win the house competition. There will be runners up prizes of pinkies and festive chocolates and **the winner will also have 30 cards professionally printed with their design.**

Any questions please ask Mrs Nixon or Mrs Wood in the LRC.



Competitions

24 MILES: 12 CODES: 12 DAYS—26 DECEMBER - 6 JANUARY

This holiday season, we have an exciting challenge to participate in as a school by getting involved in **Operation Bletchley: Christmas in Berlin**. This is a fundraiser for ABF The Soldiers' Charity (formerly the Army Benevolent Fund) running over the Christmas holidays and we would love to have as many individuals as we can join in! Please read on to find out how to get involved and what you need to do to complete the challenge.



HOW IT WORKS

1. Sign up for just £10 and link your phone or fitness tracker to your fundraising page (you can also record your miles manually if you prefer)
2. Start walking at your own pace (from 26 December 2020)
3. Receive updates and codes to crack after every two miles completed - three levels are available - Junior, Codebreaker or Cypher Expert
4. Codes will be delivered straight to your inbox and you can select your level then
5. Solve the codes to decipher the hidden message
6. Complete the journey and deliver the message by the midnight on 6 January 2021.

Please use the following link to join the school team-

<https://events.soldierscharity.org/join/TheMarlboroughScienceAcademy>

We look forward to cracking codes with all of you over the holidays!

Mrs Gustafson and Mrs Thompson
Numeracy and Enrichment Coordinators



Cultural Capital Enrichment Opportunities

We have developed an exciting new area on our school website on cultural capital for students to access and get involved in to expand their interests, knowledge and cultural experiences including virtual tours and exhibitions, films, research opportunities and enrichment activities.

Students who take part in the activities will develop key competencies including resilience, independence, creativity, research skills and critical thinking skills. They will also expand their knowledge and cultural awareness enabling them to develop their interests and widen future opportunities available to them.

Marlborough believes in shaping futures and developing the whole student. We pride ourselves on doing this well through a wide range of extra-curricular activities, trips and visiting speakers and whilst these are limited at the moment we will be continuing with these as soon as we are safely able to. The Cultural Capital activities are designed to complement these.

There are activities available for all year groups although we are currently concentrating on Years 7-10

Year 7 and 8 students should email their completed activities to Mrs Wood at KS3CC@marlborough.herts.sch.uk

Year 9 and 10 students should email their completed activities to Miss McClusky at KS4CC@marlborough.herts.sch.uk

If a student has any interests or wants to develop a particular skill they can also send in an email to request this and we will do our best to gather the relevant materials.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Wood and Miss McClusky
Cultural Capital Coordinators

<https://www.themarlbroughscienceacademy.co.uk/students/cultural-capital#>

Below is an example of the activities available on the website.

The Secret Annex

Take a look around and discover the Secret Annex where Anne Frank hid for more than 2 years during WWII and where she wrote her diary. In July 1942, the Frank family went into hiding. The Van Pels family followed a week later. The two families already knew each other.

Hermann Van Pels worked for Otto Frank's company. Four months later, they were joined by an eighth person, Fritz Pfeffer, an acquaintance of the Frank family.

www.annefrank.org/en/anne-frank/secret-annex

Write a small description of the Annex, what do you think it would be like to live there. What is the one item you would take with you?



English Stars of the Month for October

The following students have been recognised by their English teacher for their hard work, consistent effort and pleasing work in October.

Charlotte Hardcastle, Jenan Sakkejha, Katie Storey-Brown, Reece Diri, Molly Randle, Kayra Oney, Joshua De Goede, Molly Chaney, Amy Bilson, Xavier Bedford, Ashley Chalk, Theo Hicks, Sam Toomey, Sam Constable, Sabiha Jahan, Luke Mathews, Athena Stylianou, Devlan Spooner, Victoria Brown, Doug Peachman, Morgan Francis, Sara Urdaneta, Archie Hobbs, Mathra Kapugama Geeganage, Yaaseen Khan, Thomas Moffitt, Jennah Whettam, Ashley Jakeman, Muskan Zaman, Beaux Scott, Esme Dickson, Anjum Hussain, Gracie Gibbins, Billy Collins, Bailey Mileham, Mariya Begum, Tom Jobson, Molly Burke, Josh Seeby, Kofi Kyei-Boadu, Ava Hinds, Lauren Cropper, Nell Delaney, Nio Aflaka, Bibi Aumeerally, Olivia Harrison, Scarlett Swainsbury, Ruby Maryniok



This Week's Quote of the Week

"Kind words do not cost much. Yet they accomplish much"

(Blaise Pascal)

Word of the Week

Apricity (noun) The warmth of the sun on a chilly day.

LRC News



**Accelerated
Reader**

Well done to all those students who have been taking Accelerated Reader quizzes at home. We are currently allowing quizzing until 6pm on weekdays so keep reading and keep quizzing to earn yourself house points while improving your literacy skills.

Don't forget that we now have access to ebooks and audio books via the LRC catalogue which you can access [here](#) and if you prefer to read a physical book you can reserve books on the catalogue and we will let you know when they are available. Please do get in contact if you need any assistance with this.



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Classics Corner



Class news

Year 9

This half term Year 9 have been busy learning about Greek and Roman temples. Well done to **Owen Dorrington 9RV** who decided to recreate a Greek temple out of cake and marshmallows!



Year 10

Year 10 have been learning about Roman food and how to host the perfect Roman dinner party! The students have been designing a Menu for a dinner party with authentic Roman delicacies. **Miles Punter 10EM** created the menu below.

Roman Menu	
Meats:	Drinks:
Eels 1 d	Wine (20%) 4d
Crustaceans 3 d	Wine (10%) 3 d
Pork 5 d	Wine (5%) 2 d
Beef 2.5 d	Wine and Honey 7 d
Duck 1.9 d	Wine and Spices 6 d
Dormice 4 d	
Salads and Leaves:	Dairies and Breads:
Legumes 3 d	Egg 1.5 d
Olives 1.2 d	Cheese 1.9 d
Cabbage and Garlic 2 d	Bread (Fine) 2.5 d
Broccoli	Bread (Bran) 0.9 d
Asparagus	Desserts:
Onion	Dried Fruit
Beets and Carrots 2.1 d	Figs, Grapes, Plums 1.5 d
Peas and Cucumber 3 d	Soufflés 2.4 d
	Honey Cake
Fruits:	Deals:
Fig	Children's deal:
Pears	1 d off all purchases
Oranges	Family Deal:
Grapes	2 d off one purchase per person
Pomegranates	Meal Deal:
Currants and Plums	1 d off every section:
Strawberries	(Meats, Salads, Fruits, Drinks, Dairies/Breads and Desserts)
Apricots 7 d	25 d

Classics in lockdown!

Bored at home...?

10 Movies that cater to Greek Mythology Fans!



Recommendations include:

Hercules (1997) Wrath of the Titans (2012)

Troy (2004) Wonder Woman (2017)

Gladiator (2000) – *Year 10* - This will be very useful for your Leisure and Entertainment topic!

Click on the link:

<https://classicalwisdom.com/mythology/10-movies-that-cater-to-greek-mythology-fans/>

Calling all Year 11!

Are you considering your A Level options?

Not sure which subjects to choose?

Have you considered Classics...?

Click on the link below to find out more about studying **Classics at Marlborough**:

<https://www.loom.com/share/a3bfa371be6410eb5f0c93b6a8bc440> (link also available on the Virtual Sixth form page of the School website)



Celebrating Diwali at Marlborough



As part of our Diwali celebrations last month Miss Begum created this wonderful display in the Marlborough Brasserie.

Celebrating Hanukkah at Marlborough

Hanukkah will be celebrated from Thursday 10th – Friday 18th December and once again Miss Begum has created a display in the Marlborough Brasserie for students to learn about this important Jewish festival. There will also be Hanukkah inspired dishes on sale in the Brasserie





VIRTUAL EMPLOYER ENCOUNTERS

Webinars for students

Our next Virtual Encounter will take place on **THURSDAY 10th DECEMBER 2020 (3:30pm)** and the theme will be

CAREERS in MOTOR TRADE INDUSTRY

The Motor Trade is about far more than mechanics and second hand car salesmen (although it will still require these roles in the future too!) This webinar explores the different careers opportunities in the industry with a particular focus on some of the Automotive Technology and Engineering posts that will be required in light of changing technology.

We will be joined by representatives of The Institute of Motor Industry, Autotech and Skillnet - a leading training and apprenticeship provider that works with many Motor Trade employers in Hertfordshire and further afield.

Gavin White is the CEO of Autotech Group. Having studied Business Studies at College, at the age of 19 he had a brief few years as a water cooler service technician, before taking on his first junior sales role in the fork truck industry. After taking voluntary redundancy, he travelled the world for around 2 years, before finding his next role selling advertising for a well-known Motoring Magazine. This then led to a very successful career in the Motor Trade, with a brief 2 year gap in the recruitment industry serving the Energy & Utilities sector.

This gave him the inspiration to start Autotech Recruit Ltd in 2010, which now employs 30 direct heads at the companies HQ in Milton Keynes and around 450 contractors across the UK. With a vision to improve access to young talent and skills for the motor trade, Gavin is now embarking on two new ventures Autotech Training and Autotech Academy to help grow Autotech Group and support the automotive industry well in to the future.

Dominic Flint – Technical Trainer Skillnet – Started as a Light Vehicle Apprentice, working in the industry until moving to train our technicians of the future.

Gemma Edwards is Careers Coordinator for Institute of Motor Industry which is located in Brickenden, near Hertford. Gemma has oversight for the skills needs across the industry; she has previously worked in recruitment.

This webinar is predominantly designed for students in Years 10 – 13. It will be relevant for students interested in any aspects of the Motor Trade but should also be promoted to students studying STEM subjects and Design and Technology owing to the industry's future demand for engineers

We have 100 places available and are initially able to offer each school **up to 6 places** but additional places may be available on request.

The registration link can be accessed via HOP here:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2503141986116075278>



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*The Marlborough Science Academy
invites you to attend our virtual
Apprenticeship, Careers &
Higher Education Fair*

on Wednesday 3rd February 2021

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

Details of the confirmed companies can be found overleaf



Watling Street, St Albans. AL1 2QA | Tel: 01727 856 874

Email: admin@marlborough.herts.sch.uk

Website: www.themarboroughscienceacademy.co.uk

Who will be attending:

<i>ASK – Ask about Apprenticeships</i>	<i>NHS Trust/HCPA/HPFT</i>
<i>Amthal</i>	<i>NCS Hertfordshire</i>
<i>Army Outreach</i>	<i>Oaklands College</i>
<i>AECOM</i>	<i>Premier Foods Ltd</i>
<i>Arts College – London</i>	<i>Royal Mail</i>
<i>Amazon</i>	<i>Specsavers</i>
<i>BAM Construct</i>	<i>Sporting Futures Training</i>
<i>British Airways</i>	<i>Sainsburys</i>
<i>British Gas</i>	<i>Tesco</i>
<i>BPP</i>	<i>The Waterman Group</i>
<i>Boots</i>	<i>TKMaxx</i>
<i>Cyber Prevent</i>	<i>Transport for London</i>
<i>De Vere Hotels</i>	<i>The University of Hertfordshire</i>
<i>GlaxoSmithKline</i>	<i>Toni & Guy</i>
<i>Google</i>	<i>University Campus of Football</i>
<i>Herts Social Work</i>	<i>Business</i>
<i>Herts Fire and Rescue</i>	<i>Virgin Media</i>
<i>Jaguar/Landrover</i>	<i>Warner Media</i>
<i>MBDA</i>	<i>YC Hertfordshire</i>
<i>Morgan Sindall</i>	
<i>MI5</i>	
<i>Marks & Spencer</i>	
<i>Morrisons</i>	
<i>McDonalds</i>	



The Marlborough Science Academy

Select us as your Coopcause



The Marlborough Science Academy PTA has been selected to take part in the Coop Local Community Fund. This is an excellent fundraising platform for the PTA with the support of the Coop. So we need your help to support the fund.

1. Please become a Coop member using this link membership.coop.co.uk/causes
2. Select The Marlborough Science Academy PTA as your local charity to support
3. Swipe your Coop card or QR code [Coop App](#) every time you shop at the Coop

This will add to the fundraising for our PTA

We're part of the Local Community Fund

When members buy selected Co-op branded products and services, the Co-op will give local causes a helping hand. Go online coop.co.uk/membership

When members buy selected Co-op branded products and services, 2p for every pound spent goes to our members and we'll split the same between like minded organisations and local causes. Co-op members will then be able to select from time to time which local cause they want to support. For full T&Cs please visit coop.co.uk on how this is calculated.



Windows/Mac Laptop or Chromebook?



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Parents and carers often ask us for advice on whether they should purchase a Chromebook or a Windows/Mac laptop for their child. Although we can't tell you which to opt for, we can explain some of the key differences. If you are making the choice between these two devices, hopefully this information will be useful.



Chromebooks

Chromebooks are devices which use Google's Chrome Operating System and are designed to browse the Internet and to use online 'cloud'-based tools such as Google Docs.

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- With prices starting at under £200, a Chromebook is by far the cheaper of the two devices.- No need to purchase anti-virus software- Long battery life- Full keyboard makes working on documents easy- Modern Chromebooks allow you to install apps from the 'Google Play' app store	<p>Chromebooks generally have limited memory and processor power. As a result:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- You cannot install software you might be used to using like Microsoft Word. You can use online versions of Microsoft Office software, but these are more limited than the full software.- If you have an interest in editing Music, graphics or videos, then the software you would need to use cannot be installed on these devices.- Software games cannot be installed.- Need to be connected to the Internet to be fully functional.



Windows/Mac Laptops

Laptop computers are available with Windows and Mac user interfaces. This tends to be a matter of preference and it is worth taking a look at demo models in the shops. Students are used to using Windows at school.

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Can install software like Microsoft Office and graphics editing software which you can't do on a Chromebook.- More familiar user interface which can makes things like managing files and folders easier.- More memory space on the device for storing files and software.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Windows and MAC laptops are more expensive than Chromebooks. Prices vary greatly, with prices substantially increasing in line with the performance of the device.- Requires anti-virus software to be installed.

To summarise – if you are looking for a device for browsing the Internet, using Google Classroom and performing basic tasks like creating Word documents and presentations then a Chromebook may be a good choice. If it is likely your child will need to do more on the device, particularly where this requires specialist software to be installed, then a Windows/Mac laptop might be the better option.

If you are planning to buy a real tree this Christmas please consider using Christmas Treeeasy and supporting the school at the same time.



Dear Parent,

It'll soon be December and with Christmas fast approaching just a little reminder of our fantastic Covid secure Christmas tree fund raising scheme that Christmas Treeeasy are able to offer through your school this year.

For every tree sold through your school, to both staff and parents, your relatives, friends and work colleagues, we will donate the sum of between £3 and £5 (size of tree dependant) to your school fund by the start of the end of the Christmas term.

Christmas Treeeasy specialise in only the very best top-grade trees available, the non-drop Nordmann Fir Christmas tree, which we deliver free of charge direct to your home. For a small additional fee there is also the option of recycling, whereby we collect and recycle trees in the New Year. For all your tree needs we also supply tree stands and bags of logs too!

Our delivery days are filling up fast, only a few slots left on 30th November and 1st December so please order early to avoid disappointment, additional dates may be added.

HOW TO ORDER

Online at www.christmastreeeasy.co.uk where we can take credit card payments, please choose your school from the drop-down list.

By phone, calling [07710 407149](tel:07710407149) or [07989 072090](tel:07989072090)

By direct email at enquiries@christmastreeeasy.co.uk this year's order form is attached.

You can also follow us and your delivery on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/christmastreeeasy and on Twitter: [@XmasTreeeasy](https://twitter.com/XmasTreeeasy)

Please make sure you mention your school in all correspondence to ensure a donation to your school.

'WIN' a full refund on your order, it has worked so well the last few years so we're keeping the offer for this Christmas. Tell your friends about us and if they purchase a tree, make sure that they inform us, via the order page online, of your recommendation and the winner will be the person who supplies the most recommendations; they will be notified and fully refunded before Christmas. Good luck!


I look forward seeing many of you soon.


Yours faithfully

Dean Turner

Christmas Treeeasy Ltd.

	SIZE OF TREE	PRICE PER TREE	QTY ORDERED
	4ft to 4'8"	£35.00	
	4'8" to 5'6"	£40.00	
	5'6" to 6'4"	£46.00	
	6'4" to 7'2"	£55.00	
	7'2" to 8ft	£62.00	

 CINCO STAND	SIZE OF STAND	PRICE PER STAND	QTY ORDERED
	SMALL	£15.00	
	MEDIUM	£18.00	
	LARGE	£23.00	

	SIZE OF BAG	PRICE PER BAG	QTY ORDERED
	5KG BAG OF XMAS LOGS	£4.00	SOLD OUT
	10KG BAG OF XMAS LOGS	£7.00	SOLD OUT

	RECYCLING OF XMAS TREE	£6.50	
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Recycling of Christmas trees will take place between 7th & 10th January. Please leave your tree outside your door ready for collection.

CHRISTMAS DELIVERY DATES	30 th Nov	1 st Dec	3 rd Dec	6 th Dec	8 th Dec	12 th Dec	13 th Dec	15 th Dec	17 th Dec
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More delivery dates may be added due to demand, deliveries start early on the specified days, trees will be left in a safe place if you're out

Here's how to place an order

Go to the order a delivery page online at: www.christmastreeeasy.co.uk

Choose your size of tree

Add your school from the drop-down box

Choose your preferred delivery date from options

Add Recycling or a Stand to your order if you wish

Contact us for more information by Email: enquiries@christmastreeeasy.co.uk

Phone: 07710 407149 or 07989 072090

Facebook: www.facebook.com/christmastreeeasy Twitter: [@XmasTreeeasy](https://twitter.com/XmasTreeeasy)



Cash & cheques may be payable upon delivery, call or email us for details. Please make cheques payable to Christmas Treeeasy Ltd; please write your details on the back. Credit card payments can be made online only.



Term Dates

2020-2021

Autumn Term 2020

Thursday 3rd September 2020 to Friday 18th December 2020

Half Term

Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2020

Occasional Day—Friday 20th November 2020

Spring Term 2021

Monday 4th January 2021 to Thursday 25th March 2021

Half term

Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2021

Inset Day—Friday 26th March 2021

Summer Term 2021

Monday 12th April 2021 to Friday 16th July 2021

Half term

Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021

If you have any questions and are not sure who to ask
please click here for the [general enquiry form](#)



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