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Dear Parents & Carers

As it's fresh in my mind I just want first of all to thank all the parents, staff, students and cast who had their Thursday night performance of Matilda sabotaged by a monumental power cut. Whilst hugely disappointing for everyone concerned I was incredibly impressed with the way everyone took things in their stride. Thank you to the staff who supported children getting home, thank you to the parents for their understanding and of course thank you to everyone else involved for just 'cracking on', huge thanks too for James Brewer for showing me how to work the torch bit on my phone! We will of course have re-scheduled by the time you read this but it was a monumental show directed by Mrs Griggs, double cast to accommodate Covid and supported magnificently by Ms Whitbread. I am in total awe of all the staff involved in presenting such a major production but Mrs Griggs deserves special mention for having the vision and drama skills supported by Ms Whitbread (Music), Ms Fox (Dance) Mrs Whitlock (costumes), the Technology team (set), James Brewer – lighting and generally everything to do with staging, Finn Harris, Ms Day (one of the calmest members of staff ever!) and everyone who behind the scenes managed the students, sold tickets and kept spirits up – thank you.

We say goodbye this holiday to a most loyal and professional member of staff and Deputy Head, Miss Crook. Those of you who have had any dealings with Miss Crook will know first hand how patient, thorough, accommodating and thoughtful she is. Miss Crook started at Marlborough 32 years ago as a teacher of Food Technology and her skills as a leader were recognised very swiftly by the head at the time Mr Bartlett. I don't think there are many leadership jobs that Miss Crook hasn't done and 14 years ago she was appointed as Deputy Head in charge of curriculum – a hugely important post that basically holds the school together. Miss Crook's other big role was the organisation of Open Evening, a huge event but one always executed with precision and perfection. Miss Crook is a very private person and I am hoping she won't mind me saying that she is probably one of the most adventurous people I know and always up for a challenge particularly if it is sea based; she loves the sea, this is her happy place and I know her retirement will see her perfecting her sailing skills and maybe, one day moving to be by the seaside.

Miss Crook executed her role as a Deputy Head with dignity, thoughtfulness and professionalism. She was (is) a good, kind and loyal friend, her integrity is beyond question and I know staff, too many to mention (including myself) have benefitted from her wisdom and kindness if life isn't treating you so kindly.

Mr Eve will be in place as Deputy Head from September in a different role to the current job description. I know Miss Crook has worked very hard to ensure all Year 8s will have an understanding of their programme of learning for September '22 and the Options process will continue after Easter with Mr Stanton.

I could write a great deal about Miss Crook but I hope I have managed to capture a very special, talented and kind teacher/leader. She is a one off and a member of staff that will be much missed. We wish her well and hope too that she now has the time to follow her dreams and rest....

On that note I wish you all a happy, peaceful and healthy break, dare I say it but please encourage Year 11s and 13s to put at least a couple of hours in daily to revise but please also ensure that there is time for calm and one or two nice things to enjoy as a family.

Take care,



Ms A Thomson
Headteacher

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Thank you to all students, staff, parents and carers who supported our non-uniform day earlier this month. We raised a fantastic £2624.65 which will be split between International Rescue Committee and Herts for Refugees.

Student Achievements

On the weekend of 12th—13th March Tom Jobson 13JJ represented East of England in the English Schools Swimming Association Championships at the Alan Higgs pool in Coventry. Tom competed in the Senior Boys 50 metre freestyle, 100 metre breaststroke and the 100 metre butterfly. This was a fantastic achievement for Tom who was staying and travelling with teammates from all across the East of England.



Tom has also been asked to co-captain the St Albans district team this month at Woodside pool in Watford. Marlborough are very proud of Tom's achievements and wish him all the best in future competitions.

Taking a break from GCSE revision, Hollie Thornton 11BA scored a hat trick for Harvesters U18 Girls in a 3-2 win against nearest rivals St Albans City to secure the Herts Girls Football Partnership division 2 title in an unbeaten season.



The Marlborough Science Academy Scholars Programme



During the Autumn term 10 students from years 8 and 9 embarked on our first 'Scholars Programme' with charity 'The Brilliant Club'.

The Brilliant Club is an award-winning charity that works across the UK to support and encourage young people to Access University and higher education programmes.

By bringing together two communities – PhD researchers and students – who might otherwise never interact with each other, young people can study innovative and inspiring topics that very few people have ever covered.

The Marlborough Scholars worked with PhD researcher Tom Pickford over 8 weeks experiencing university-style learning, culminating in a 1500-word final assignment exploring the use of Near-Infrared Spectroscopy and designing a machine to measure muscle oxygen levels in elite athletes. Assignments were marked by university lecturers using university assessment levels. We are delighted that all students passed their assignments with flying colours! Students researched the role of near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) in medical technology and engineering, culminating in their final project brief 'Designing a machine to measure oxygen levels for an elite athlete of your choice'.



To celebrate their achievements students were invited to attend a live graduation ceremony at the University of Southampton. During the day students enjoyed a tour of the Hampton Campus, met with current university students and were able to learn about Higher Education and university life.

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An in-school celebration was also held to family and staff to congratulate students on their achievements, with Mrs Walker-Smith attending to award students their certificates and a copy of their final assignment.

When asked why students wanted to be involved in the programme, Thomas said *"I wanted to be involved in the scholars programme to learn new skills such as researching and also to see what university will be like."*

As a result of completing the programme Melayna said *"I have learnt how to build or design as an engineer and how to write a mini 'thesis' incorporating what we learn in the sessions with my own research and knowledge. I have also got an insight of what studying in university might be like."*

A huge congratulations to all students for all their hard work. They should be rightly proud of their achievements!

Congratulations to: **Christopher Charlton-Green 9TA , Melayna Chikhlia 8SK, Amina Khatun 9EM, Abbi Leroux 8MM, Ashley Merriman-Halls 9LW, Jenson Morris 8RT, Spencer Pateman 9LW, Thomas Pegg-Edwards 8RT, Alfie Sabak 9KB, Beatrix Topping 8EM**

We look forward to sharing more information about the next Scholars programme in due course.

Ms Walker

English Stars of the Month for February

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

**Sophia Caldwell 7RG, Finlay Plater 7RG, Sophie Ahern 7AK,
Arwen Thomson 7MR, Cassie McNiven 7MR, Marnie Brian 7LO,
Rose Parker 8AP, Jay Ryan-Little 8SK, James Roux 8EM,
Vasile Baes 8SK, Luke Bunting 8VL, Ami Hudson 8MM,
Tilly Collison 8AR, Kayleigh Day 9KB, Ellie Law 9LW,
Alice Key 9SB, Florence Van Huet 9KB, Chellvhin Arciaga 9KB,
Rachel Howell 9EM, Emily Nicholson 10AS,
Litsa Veneti 10CG, Holly Vincent 10HA,
Danielle Collier 10CG, Scarlett Watson 10RV,
Emilia Francis-Zambra 10AD,
Ben Birch 11JG, Oscar Herold 11JG,
Keira Leece-Blackett 11HF,
Maha Brennan 11AK, Billy Hicks 11BA,
Calvin Greco 11EM, Grace Cleaton 11BA, Amy Bilson 12SL, Bethany Parry 12SL,**



English Stars of the Month for March

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

**Mollie McGinn 7RG, Jack McGrath 7AD, Sophie Ahern 7AK,
Saphina Port 7MO, Kaira Griffin 7MO, Marwa Kaddouri Ghailan 7LO,
Junior Mitchell 7RG, Summer Woodward 8AR, Yasna Nemati 8EM,
Mason Harbron 8MM, Rose Parker 8AP, Joe Wilson 8AR, Willow Ward 8RT,
Jarlath Duffy 8RT, Abigail Tondat 8EM, Alisha Uddin 9EA,
Marci Visegradi 9LW, Katie Coleman 9CC, Blake Fordham-Cherry 9TA, James
Storey-Brown 10FC, Megan Adams 10AD, Lauren Pett 10EF,
Dewayne Mitchell 10EF, Shion Evans 11AK,
Jake Keller 11EM, James Rumsey 11LL,
Daisy Banham-Warren 11EM, Alisha Tame 11KS,
Jasper James 12SF, Amy Bilson 12SL,
Bethany Parry 12SL, Fariha Hussain 13PA,
Honey Smyth 13LT,**



English Stars of the Term

These students have been awarded Star of the Term in English and will each receive a £10 book voucher for their achievement.

**Sophie Ahern
7AK**



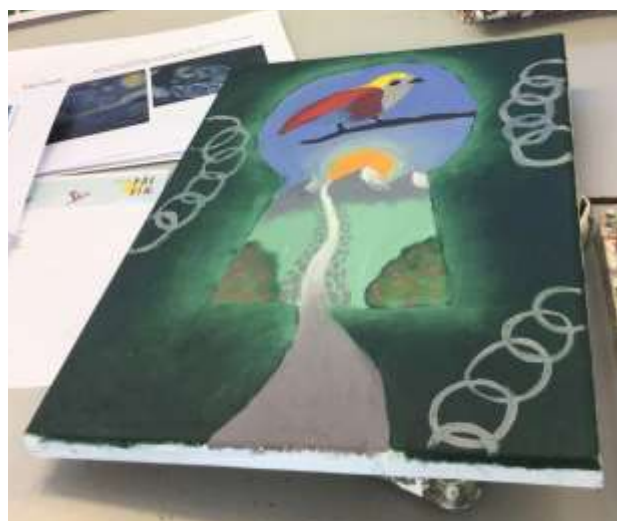
**Marwa Kaddouri Ghailan
7LO**

**Honey Smyth
13LT**



Art and Languages Game Changer Day

Our recent Art and Languages collaboration went down well with our Year 9 students, with one student asking “can this be a monthly thing?” Students spent the day reading poems in either French or Spanish, by poets including Maurice Careme, Robert Desnos and Antonio Machado, before discussing how we could represent these visually and how we could use symbolism within our artwork. We also looked at artists including Salvador Dali, Dimitra Milan, Van Gogh, Klimt and Frida Kahlo.



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Students created rough sketches before moving on to canvas' where they had free rein to be as creative as they possibly could. Whilst all students had beautiful pieces and clever ideas a special mention has to go to Summer Roberts 9LW, Olivia Wright-Browne 9SB, Connie Coombs 9KA and Lottie Andrews 9KA whose work was unique and individual. Their pieces expressed thoughts and emotions whilst staying relevant to the poem. A fantastic job throughout.



Well done everyone.

Ms Leggatt and Ms Jubb



Year 7 Maths Challenge

On Tuesday 8th March we fielded 3 first class Year 7 teams for the prestigious Herts for Learning Year 7 Maths Challenge. Our teams competed fiercely with other schools in the area, answering some very tricky questions and completing an incredibly challenging memory round, where two of the team members had to look at a poster for 30 seconds and then describe it to the third member, the scribe, who had to draw it!! There was a lot of quick thinking and laughter throughout the evening and we ended up being placed in the final analysis! Well done representatives of Year 7!

Aadi Muhem 7FW

Alex Arnold 7AK

Arbel Lifshitz 7MO

Ayman Shelley 7MR

Eamon Tunio 7JI

Emily Cronan 7JI

Marnie Brian 7LO

Parker Boswell 7LO

Saphina Port 7MO

Tom Wiggett 7FW

Maiella William 7FW

Shriyani Aravinthan 7MR



I hope to see you again for the Year 8 Challenge this time next year.

Mrs Greenwood



Adisa the Verbaliser

On Friday 4th March Year 7 were treated to a performance by Adisa the Verbaliser. His energy and enthusiasm for words in his presentation to the whole Year group was infectious. Adisa also hosted two Game Changer workshops which produced some excellent poetry from our students including love poems to food and using metaphors to describe favourite people and places.



You can see some of the students poetry below and on the next page.



Pizza

Gooey and chewy
Crunchy like snow
Warm like a fire
Sammy Scott 7LO



The Dance Studio

The dance studio

She's a young woman

Like a ballerina in a jewellery box

Hardworking yet delicate

She's a clear rose quartz filled with love and hope

The look of fear is non-existent

A light fulfils her like alternative music

She's relaxing and joyful

Like a swan she looks so perfect

Porcelain

Yet so much effort and weight is put on her

She's like a mansion

Enveloped in light and breeze

She's warm sticky toffee pudding

In which a heart is held

She's a tow truck

Working, working, working

She's a young woman

The dance studio

My home

Libby Blackstaffe 7AD

The swimming pool is like a
protein shake

While swimming you feel
strong and powerful as you
glide through the water

The swimming pool would be
an emerald

Whether you are sitting and
watching or swimming it is
soothing and relaxing.

Will Lyons 7AK

He is like cottage pie

A hard outer shell but holding
warm people inside

He is like a kingfisher

Elusive and vibrant

He is water

Can go in any direction

He is an emerald

Shining a bright green over all
the grass

Bramley Biggar 7MR

Full of knowledge like a library

Special like a cabin

Calm like the blues

I appreciate my time here

Building ruby friendships

And old-tree wisdom

Busy like the jungle

She floats, a cloud

Strong and never giving

But like a pearl

Arbel Lifshitz 7MO

Apprenticeship, Careers and Higher Education Fair

On Wednesday 2nd March we held our annual Apprenticeship, Careers and Higher Education Fair. 17 exhibitors attended including universities, a variety of businesses, the NHS and the National Citizen Service (NCS). Last year the event was virtual so this was a great opportunity for students and parents to talk face to face with company professionals. Students from Year 8 to 13, both from Marlborough and other local schools, attended the event.

Mrs Rutherford



Upcoming Events

CELEBRATIONS DURING THE HOLIDAY

2nd of April- 1st may **Ramadhan**

Muslims around the world are eagerly awaiting the Month of Ramadhan. This month is also known as the month of change, the month of mercy, the month of kindness, the month of forgiveness, and the month of the Quran.

Why is the month special?

Muslims fast from food and water during the hours of daylight. Fasting is an opportunity to learn self-control and discipline. A

chance to reflect on your character and set personal goals.

Do good & speak good, give charity. Be nice to others, reach out to family members. Forgive those who have hurt you & ask for forgiveness.

Why fast for 30 days? Changing/ forming new habits takes time, determination & continuous dedication. Ramadhan is an opportunity to become closer to Allah (God).



14th - 17th April

EASTER

Easter is one of the principal holidays, or feasts, of Christianity. It marks the Resurrection of Jesus three days after his death by crucifixion.

On Maundy Thursday Christians remember when Jesus ate the Passover meal with his disciples, breaking bread and drinking wine. Christians refer to this meal as the Last Supper.

Good Friday is a day of mourning in church. During special Good Friday services Christians remember Jesus's suffering and death on the cross, and what this means for their faith.

Easter Sunday marks Jesus's resurrection.

PASSOVER

15th - 23rd April

Passover is a celebration of the story of Exodus. During Passover, Jews remember how their ancestors left slavery behind them when they were led out of Egypt by Moses.

The last day celebrates the arrival to the Red Sea.

The final day of Passover celebrates when the free slaves made it to the Red Sea, where Moses parted it to help them get across. There is a tradition of women and girls lighting candles to commemorate this event.

Vaisakhi 14th April

Vaisakhi began in 1699, which is when Sikhism was formed as a faith.

This celebration Commemorates Guru Gobind Singh, who was one of the original Sikh Gurus.

People decorate their homes and places of worship with traditional brightly coloured garlands and flowers.

OVER £100k
RAISED TO DATE!

M Festival

SATURDAY 2ND JULY 2022
GATES OPEN 1:00PM FIREWORK FINALE 11:00PM
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**WE
ARE
BACK!**

FUNFAIR RIDES
KIDS FUN BUS
SILENT DISCO
WIPEOUT SWEEPER
CIRCUS SKILLS WORKSHOP
ARTS & CRAFTS
FACE PAINTING
WILDLIFE SHOWS
SAND ART
*LOTS MORE!

ELECTRIC UMBRELLA
THE BLUE FINGERS

BILLINGTON & QUINN
MASSAOKE
MAJESTY - QUEEN TRIBUTE

ANGELS N BANDITS

LICENSED BAR
BBQ
PIMMS & COCKTAILS
MEXICAN FOOD
WOOD FIRED PIZZA
ICE CREAM VAN
SWEET & SAVOURY PANCAKES
VEGETARIAN / VEGAN FOOD
FISH & CHIPS
*LOTS MORE!

TICKETS:	EARLY BIRD OFFER	ONLINE PRICING	ON THE GATE PRICING
ADULT TICKET	£22.00	£26.00	£30.00
STUDENT TICKET	£11.00	£13.00	£15.00
FAMILY OF 4 <small>2 adults + 2 children</small>	£55.00	£65.00	£75.00
FAMILY OF 5 <small>2 adults + 3 children</small>	£66.00	£78.00	£90.00

EARLY BIRD IS
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go free!

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Guide Dog Visit



On Thursday 24th February, Guide Dogs visited our school. In total, there were four dogs who came: a Labrador called Malbec, a cross breed of a German Shepherd and a Golden Retriever named Ellen and German Shepherds Kobe and Fordi. Unfortunately, Fordi was overwhelmed by all the people and had to leave early.

Each dog was accompanied by their volunteer puppy raiser who told us about the requirements needed to become a guide dog and the training they go through. It was an amazing opportunity to raise money for a great cause and hopefully they can come again soon.

Year 10 students

I was amazed that Malbec could grab a sleeve gently and then lead that person to their seat.

Malbec was trained to be a guide dog but due to a medical issue with his legs he is now a role model for new guide dogs – such a gentle giant.

Kobe was only 18 weeks old but was very well behaved and already knew how to be calm just like Malbec. I'm sure Kobe looks up to Malbec.

Mrs Aylward



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The guide dog day was a great success. Students fell in love with the gorgeous guide dogs that were so well behaved. There were kisses and cuddles and I think the dogs loved the attention as much as the students enjoyed providing it!

The dogs go to 'school' each day and have holidays just like students at Marlborough. They are trained during the day then go home with volunteers who raise them from a puppy until they are ready to go to their new owners.



It was a wonderful opportunity to see the puppies and to raise money for a very worthwhile cause.

Mrs Lepley



Thank you to all students and staff who supported the event.

We received the following message from the volunteers at Guide Dogs.

We are extremely pleased with todays takings, a breakdown is shown below.

Entry fee to meet the dogs	47.00
Donations	10.07
Tombola	14.50
Trading	65.80
Pin badges	4.00
TOTAL	141.37

Many thanks for inviting us into school and for organising the event for the benefit of Guide Dogs. We really appreciate your continued support and the warm welcome that we received from everyone that we met today.



We will look forward to the our next visit sometime during the summer term.

Thank you and kind regards

Jackie, Maggie & Jan.

Oracy

Students continue to debate the question of the week in form time and vote in the oracy polls. You can see this terms results below. These are also published on social media and on the electronic screens in school.



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The Zen Den

The Zen Den is a small pastoral garden located in the quad in the Humanities block. It is a place that students can be invited to go to when they need a quiet, calm space for reflection. The herbs and plants have been carefully chosen for their scent and colour to ensure a tranquil experience at times when life can be difficult. The water feature can also be relaxing and the sound of running water can create privacy from the school life surrounding the area.



It



was created by Mrs Hicks (with support from colleagues) and is maintained by Sally Chapman (parent) and Mrs Hicks. We rely totally on donations for the upkeep of the garden and have been provided with generous resources from Burstons and Aylett Garden Centre since its creation over a year ago.

We are constantly looking for donations of certain items to help keep our garden beautiful. Currently, we are in need of a yard broom, everyday compost and pots of all sizes (not plastic please). Donations of seeds and plants are always gratefully received.

Mrs Hicks

Art News

Year 12 students have been busy exploring mark making within their concertina sketch books this week. This involves making a variety of different marks using many different materials in order to explore the properties of the tools and materials. We will then be working on these books to refine with drawings and illustrations. The students thoroughly enjoyed being free to express themselves with media and let go of the restraints they normally work within.

Well done Year 12.

Ms Bustin



MFL Game Changer Day

On the Friday 11th of February a group of Year 8 students took part in the Modern Foreign Languages Game Changer day which was thoroughly enjoyed by those students who attended.

The day was part of a National Poetry Recital Competition and involved students performing a variety of poems in Spanish and French such as *Cómo se dibuja a un niño* by Gloria Fuertes and *Automne* by Anne-Marie Chapouton.

The day started off with some warmup activities which helped students to think harder about how tone of voice, context and body language can alter the message delivered. Following this each student selected a poem and we looked at specific aspects of pronunciation before practicing the recital. The day finished by students performing their poems in front of a judging panel in the style of "Marlborough's got talent".

Entries have been sent to the Nationwide competition and we are eagerly waiting for the winner to be announced!

At the end of the day student feedback was extremely positive with one student saying, 'we had the best day ever'.

Ms Vitale



Cómo se dibuja a un niño de Gloria Fuertes

Para dibujar un niño hay que hacerlo con cariño.
Pintarle mucho flequillo,
-que esté comiendo un barquillo;
muchas pecas en la cara que se note que es un pillo;
- pillo rima con flequillo y quiere decir travieso -.
Continuemos el dibujo: redonda cara de queso.
Como es un niño de moda, bebe jarabe con soda.
Lleva pantalón vaquero con un hermoso agujero;
camiseta americana y una gorrita de pana.
Las botas de futbolista - porque chutando es artista -.
Se ríe continuamente, porque es muy inteligente.
Debajo del brazo un cuento por eso está tan contento.
Para dibujar un niño hay que hacerlo con cariño.



Pi Day

On Monday 14th March we celebrated Pi Day which was a fantastic success especially in the Dining Room where Chef had pulled out all the stops to produce this sumptuous banquet of 3-filling Pi, Square Root Cake and a fabulous square root cookie!! Such a success were the cookies that our photographer couldn't get the student to put it down for the photo, in case it was grabbed by someone else!

Pi day is celebrated on 14th March each year due to the American style of writing the date 3.14.

Thank you to the Chef for his innovation and support!

Mrs Greenwood



Social Media and Internet Safety

At The Marlborough Science Academy we take online safety very seriously and students are taught how to keep themselves safe online during ICT and PSHCEE lessons.

As parents there are lots of ways you can support your children including having regular conversations about the internet and social media from a young age.

Although most social media platforms are officially 13+, many children sign up to at least one when they are much younger.

Encourage them to be upfront with you rather than think that they need to keep it a secret.

Remind your child that every social media platform has privacy settings, and make sure they know how to use them.

Talk to your child about the sort of information they should keep private.

Make sure your child understands how to report or block things that aren't appropriate.

If you have younger children you may be interested in YouTube Kids, an app specifically designed to manage the age appropriate use of YouTube. YouTube have recently introduced a new feature called Parent Allowlisting which allows parents to approve a video or channel from the main YouTube platform to their child's YouTube Kids account. You can find a video explaining how this works [here](#)



Learning Counts

Each week as a leadership team we have the privilege of meeting with groups of students from Years 7 to 11 to talk to them about how they feel about their school and their learning. The feedback we receive is invaluable to help further improve our school and the experiences our young people receive. Students also highlight if a particular member of staff has further supported them or made a real difference to their learning in what we call a 'shout out' to the staff. All the feedback from our young people is disseminated to staff via our Tuesday Top Teaching Tip staff briefings. Below is a selection of feedback from recent Learning Counts meetings:



Year 7 said that staff are friendly, kind and engaging. Students are enjoying sports and science experiments. There were special mentions for English, Science, History, Art, PE, Drama and French. All the students spoken to feel safe at school and online.



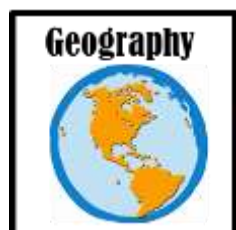
Year 8 said staff are understanding, they really enjoy creative lessons and gave a special mention to Art & Music. They like the school uniform, are enjoying the variety of lessons and feel safe in school. They mentioned Spanish, PE, Maths and English as their best learning. Shout outs were given to Mr Brennan in Humanities, Miss O'Neal in Maths, Mrs Claridge in English and also to Mr Rutherford and Mr Rahman for their help with online safety.



Year 9 said the teaching was great and that their teachers were friendly. They enjoy school, feel safe, stretched and challenged. They also said that there is a good learning environment with lots to learn, special mentions were given to GCSE PE, Engineering, Creative iMedia and Maths, along with a shout out to Mr Szabo in Engineering.



Year 10 said there is always someone there to talk to and they feel well supported. They really enjoy both core and GCSE PE and the English Teachers are nice. The rules are fair and they would recommend school to friends. Shout outs to Mrs Rickman in Art, Mr Milne in Science, Miss Mitchell and Ms Redfern both in English.



Year 11 said lessons are engaging, meetings are arranged quickly if needed and shout outs were given to Mr James & Mrs Keats in Geography, Mr Pressland in History and Mr Armstrong in Science.



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Accelerated Reader

All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 are enrolled in a reading scheme called Accelerated Reader. Students take a comprehension test to assess their reading ability and this helps to guide them to select appropriate reading material. When students finish a book on the scheme they can take a short online quiz to check their understanding of what they have read. Students earn house points for each quiz that they pass.



Students can take Accelerated Reader book quizzes at home Monday to Friday between 8.30am and 6pm. The link for Renaissance Learning, who host the quizzes, is in the useful links section of the school website. Students should know their username and password but if they have forgotten they can contact me on s.nixon@marlborough.herts.sch.uk

The top ten readers so far this year are:

1. Bernard Hornsby 8AP—3,580,755 words read
2. Marielle Pollard 8RT—1,899,590 words read
3. Jacob Jennings 8AP—1,880,622 words read
4. Toby Davies 9KA—1,793,501 words read
5. Sarah Kaya 8AP—1,729,283 words read
6. Lewis Cleaton 9EM—1,722,142 words read
7. Oliver Tomlins 8VL—1,469,267 words read
8. Arbel Lifshitz 7MO—1,433,256 words read
9. Harrison Blackford 9EM—1,319,033 words read
10. Beatrice Blackford 7JI - 1,242,094 words read

This Week's Quote of the Week

" The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that it is too low and we reach it"

(Michelangelo)

Word of the Week

Pandemonium: noun – uproar and complete confusion

Value of the Week

Endeavour

Careers News

On Wednesday 23rd March a group of Year 10 and 11 students interested in a career in the construction industry visited the new Sky Studios site in Elstree. Students had the opportunity to meet apprentices and managers from BAM Construction and take a tour of the sound studios.

Mrs Rutherford



*I really enjoyed my trip to the BAM Construction site. I learnt lots of new things and saw what jobs there are in the working world. I'm looking forward to going on other trips in the future for other opportunities and careers. **Stephen Tchoudi 10EF***

Careers Information

VIRTUAL EMPLOYER ENCOUNTERS

Webinars for students



In order to facilitate some meaningful encounters with employers during the pandemic, Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership are running a series of live webinars for students covering a range of careers and industries.

The webinars take place on Thursdays 4:30-5:30pm. To access the webinars students will be asked to register via GotoWebinar – the process will be managed by Hertfordshire LEP.

All webinars are recorded and made available to view [here](#). You do not need to register to watch the recordings.

Our focus in this newsletter is on Careers in Child Care. Click on the image on the right to see the webinar.

Subjects have included:

A Business Apprenticeship
Physiotherapy
Engineering
Life Sciences/Pharmaceuticals
Construction
Film & Media Production
Nursing
Sports Coaching
Bricklaying



More details can be found on the HOP (Hertfordshire Opportunities Portal) website below <https://www.hopinto.co.uk/explore-careers/virtual-employer-encounters/>



Summer

Hemel Hempstead Saturday 18 June 9:30am - 12:30pm	Watford Saturday 25 June 9:30am - 1:00pm
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our next Open Day

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S RESEARCH ADVISORY GROUP

- Aged 8-18 years?
- Live in Hertfordshire?
- Interested in learning more about, and helping improve, research related to health, care, family lives and the communities we live in?

JOIN THE HERTS YPAG!

WHAT DO WE DO?

- Learn about research
- Work with researchers and give them advice on how to make their research children and young people-friendly
- Share ideas on what should be researched and how
- Develop new skills, learn new things and meet new people
- Have fun!

WHEN & WHERE DO WE MEET?

We meet about every 2 months. When you apply to join, we'll send you more information about our next meeting.

SIGN UP:

To find out more about us and apply to join click here:

<https://generationr.org.uk/hertfordshire-ypag/> or email us at ypag@herts.ac.uk

Hertfordshire County Council Services for Young People



Free Easter 2022 Holiday Activities for 13 – 16 year olds

priority booking for young people entitled to free school meals



- Fun and informal activities to help with a healthy lifestyle
 - Free healthy food every day
- Physical activities such as: sports, dance, arts and games
 - Meet and socialise with other young people

Contact us to find out more and book a place:

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Your opportunities in Dacorum

Monday 4th April – Friday 8th April

Hemel Hempstead Young People's Centre

Dates: 4th – 8th April, 1pm - 5pm

Venue: 1st Floor XC Centre, Jarman Park, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4JS

Age: 13-16 living or educated in Hertfordshire

Bennetts End Young People's Centre


Dates: 4th – 8th April, 1pm - 5pm

Venue: Kimps Way, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 8EN


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Spring Term 2022

Wednesday 5th January 2022 to Thursday 31st March 2022

Half term

Monday 14th February 2022 to Friday 18th February 2022

School closure in lieu of extra Spring Bank Holiday—Monday 21st February 2022

Inset Day - Friday 1st April 2022

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022 to Wednesday 20th July 2022

Half term

Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Bank Holidays - Monday 2nd May 2022

Thursday 2nd June 2022

Friday 3rd June 2022

Autumn Term 2022

Inset Day—Thursday 1st September

Friday 2nd September

Monday 5th September 2022—Tuesday 20th December 2022

Half term

Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022

If you have any questions and are not sure who to ask
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