



High March School Bulletin

Week 5 02.10.15

From Mrs Clifford:

Earlier this week I attended the IAPS Head Teachers' conference at the Celtic Manor in Wales. As well as mixing with a few rugby teams who were also staying at the Manor there was also the opportunity to network with colleagues and enjoy lectures on a theme of "In Good Heart – Developing Healthy Schools." As always, the conference has been an opportunity to consider fresh ideas and keep up to date with the latest educational thinking and technology.

The eagerly awaited Year 5 residential trip to Manor Adventure in Shropshire has now arrived and we are hoping that the current sunshine will continue into the weekend as the girls will otherwise be "braving the elements" when they undertake the activities. Please do visit the news section of our website as we are hoping to be able to post daily updates, although this will be subject to a satisfactory internet connection – something which can be lacking in deepest Shropshire!

Congratulations to the following Junior House Stars of the Week:

NC	Kiret
NCR	Anna
NWR	India
RD	Jessica
RT	Amy
1D	Charlotte
1M	Hannah
2HN	Annabel
2GW	Thea

Congratulations to the following Upper School Stars of the Week:

3G	Molly
3O	Iris
4C	Nefeli
4M	Alice
5BH	Taya
5F	Amelia
6F	Erin
6K	Olivia

House Points

Daffodil	779
Rose	709
Shamrock	768
Thistle	739

Diary Dates for week commencing Monday 5 October

Mon 5 Oct	09:00 – 15:15	Year 1 'History Off the Page' Toy Day
	16:00 – 17:15	Year 6 (A and B) Netball (h) v Pipers Corner
	17:30 – 18:00	Year 5 Super Break Manor Adventure returns
Tues 6 Oct	13:00 - 13:45	Upper School Staff Meeting
	16:00 - 17:30	Mathematics Faculty Staff Meeting
Wed 7 Oct	08:45 – 09:15	Harvest Festival for Upper School
	13:30 – 16:00	Year 6 (a) Netball Tournament (a) v Manor Prep
Thurs 8 Oct	09:15 – 09:45	Harvest Festival for Nursery and Year 2
	10:15 – 10:45	Harvest Festival for Reception and Year 1
	16:00 – 17:30	Foundation Stage Staff Meeting
	16:45 – 18:30	Years 4, 5 and 6 Division Ten, 1 st round, Swimming Gala at Maltman's Green
		NO AFTER SCHOOL FREE SWIMMING OR SQUAD TRAINING
Fri 9 Oct	09:30 – 11:30	Open Morning for Prospective Parents
	09:00 – 15:00	Junior Road Safety Officer Fun Day
Sat 10 Oct	10:00 – 13:00	Year 6 Netball Tournament at Berkhamsted Prep School
Sun 11 Oct		

Sporting Notices



Netball Results

High March v Godstowe

Year 5 A: 6-5 Won

Year 5 B: 7-3 Lost

High March v Maltman's Green

Year 5 A: 5-6 Lost

Year 5 B: 3-1 Lost

High March v Berkhamsted Prep

Year 6 A: 4-3 Won

Year 6 B: 2-2 Drew

Notices for next week

Mon 5 Oct Netball Year 6 (A and B) V Pipers Corner

Mon 5 Oct **NO NETBALL TRAINING FOR YEAR 6**

Tues 6 Oct Year 5 netball training

Wed 7 Oct Year 6 (A) tournament at Manor Prep 1:30pm-5:30pm

Wed 7 Oct **NO NETBALL TRAINING FOR YEAR 4**

Thurs 8 Oct Year 3 netball training

Thurs 8 Oct Division 10 Swimming Gala at Maltman's Green 4:45pm-6:30pm

Thurs 8 Oct **NO FREE SWIMMING OR SWIMMING SQUADS**

Sat 10 Oct Year 6 (A) tournament at Berkhamsted Prep School. Meet at 9:30am.

Notices

Half Term Intensive Swimming Course: 27 - 30 October

All Nursery places have now been taken and we are operating a waiting list. There are a few places left for older children at 9:30am. In the 10:30am class we have places for Tuesday and Friday only.

Well done walkers, scooterers and cyclists!

We have been delighted to see so many children walking, cycling and scootering to School. This is a great start to their day and helps the environment. Please keep it up!

Beaconsfield Cycle Paths Action Group is working away behind the scenes with Bucks County Council to promote more cycle routes on footpaths around town. Watch out for further developments.

Thank you for considerate driving and parking

If you do have to drive to School for logistical reasons, please do consider parking a little further away from the School gates and walking a short distance. The School Travel team would like to thank those considerate parents who have taken on board our suggestions to do this by, for example, parking in the Waitrose car park and walking through St Michael's Green to Ledborough Lane for Junior House or through town for Upper School. There are plenty of short-stay parking spaces in roads close to School. Do contact stp@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk for advice.

...and a word of warning for persistent parking offenders

Whilst we have seen many examples of sustainable travel and considerate community car use, we have also received more complaints than usual for the start of a new school year from neighbours, local drivers and our own High March parents of other parents blocking driveways, parking on double yellow lines and zig zags outside School and abandoning the car to collect children. Two vehicles driven by High March parents were entirely parked on the pavement either in Ledborough Lane or outside the School Shop! This is in breach of the Highway Code and **may constitute a criminal offence if it is a danger to pedestrians and cyclists including your own children.**

Please be informed that these registration numbers are passed to the School Office which keeps a register of numbers and incidents. These are analysed and followed up as appropriate with the drivers concerned. Some time ago we adopted a "number and shame" policy, displaying on the school gates photographs of vehicles whose drivers persisted in illegal or inconsiderate parking. This practice will be re-established for serial offenders.

Nursery Pick-Up

We have been informed of the zealous activities of Parking Enforcement Officers in Sandelswood End ticketing parents at 12 noon Nursery pick up. Whilst there is an 11am to 12 noon restriction in place at the south end of Sandelswood End, this was introduced some years ago to deter commuter all-day parking and we have submitted a review on this and other issues to Town and County Councils. We are in discussions with Bucks County Council Highways about either altering the time of the restriction or agreeing a sensible and proportionate approach to parking rule enforcement in this case where the School has had a 12 noon pick up without incident for many decades. In the meantime, Nursery parents are exhorted to exercise caution at pick-up

Notices continued

Disco

Save the date... Friday 6 November. Tickets will be available next week from the School Office.

Small Ads Reminder

The next edition of the High March **Small Ads** will be published at half term. Have you got items which you wish to sell, or would like to buy? The **Small Ads** features items for sale, items wanted, situations vacant, businesses owned by High March parents, holiday home rentals etc.

This free leaflet is distributed to all High March families and there is no charge for this service. However, we are able only to include adverts for people who are directly associated with the school, i.e. current parents and staff.

Any advert should be worded ready for printing, and in the format of those in previous *Small Ads* editions; we cannot print logos, photographs, or customised layouts/fonts. The leaflet will be black and white. If you are new to the school and wish to see the layout of a previous edition, please contact the office and they will send you one.

All adverts should be sent to me at the email address below by 9am on Tuesday 13 October 2015 at the latest.

Please note - If you had a business advertisement in the last edition of the Small Ads this will be left in the next edition unless you notify me that you wish it to be removed.

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