



# High March School Bulletin

Week 3 22.01.16

## From Mrs Clifford:

We were very pleased to welcome Mrs Alison Watts from Youth Space at Bucks County Council into School this week to talk to both parents and the children about E-Safety. She delivered lively presentations with the important messages of never divulging personal information to anyone you do not know personally, keeping your passwords secret and telling a trusted adult if you encounter anything that makes you feel worried. This is all included in our ICT curriculum, but the impact of an outside speaker and the opportunity to keep parents well-informed was not to be missed.

I do hope that those of you who are attending the Social Group's Quiz Night this evening will have a fabulous time. I am sure you have all been reading up on your general knowledge in readiness for a most competitive evening! This is always a popular event in our calendar and all the tickets sold out in ten minutes a few weeks ago.

Congratulations to the following girls who were presented with a Headmistress' Award this week:

Carling

Elvira

## **Congratulations to the following Junior House Stars of the Week:**

NC	Poppy
NCR	Benjamin
NWR	George
RD	Siri
RT	Jade
1D	Zarina
1M	Elsa
2HN	Ava
2GW	Freya

## **Congratulations to the following Upper School Stars of the Week:**

3G	Elizabeth
3O	Katherine
4C	Ariana
4M	Jemima
5BH	Sasha
5F	Lara
6F	Lotty
6K	Carling

## House Points

Daffodil	495
Rose	572
Shamrock	577
Thistle	511

## Diary Dates for week commencing Monday 25 January

<b>Mon 25 Jan</b>	09:00 – 10:00	Robert Anderson Scholarship Creative Writing Test
	13:45 – 14:45	Robert Anderson Scholarship Comprehension Test
	15:50 – 18:00	Year 5 (A, B, C and D) Netball (a) v Godstowe
	16:00 – 17:00	Humanities Faculty Meeting
	16:00 – 17:00	<b>YEAR 6 NETBALL TRAINING WILL TAKE PLACE</b>
	17:00 – 18:30	Governors' Finance Sub-Committee Meeting
	18:30 – 20:00	Governors' Meeting
<b>Tues 26 Jan</b>	09:00 – 12:30	Robert Anderson Scholarship Interviews
	10:00 – 14:45	Robert Anderson Scholarship Reading Test
	18:00 – 21:00	Years 3 and 5 Parents' Evening Form 3G surnames A to Da    Form 3O surnames B to M Form 5BH surnames A to Co    Form 5F surnames B to J <b>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS OR SUPERVISED PREP IN UPPER SCHOOL. YEAR 6 REHEARSAL AND YEAR 5 NETBALL TRAINING WILL TAKE PLACE</b>
<b>Wed 27 Jan</b>	08:00 – 17:30	Mrs Clifford at an Independent School Inspection
	08:40 – 09:00	House Prayers in Upper School
	09:00 – 10:00	Robert Anderson Scholarship Mathematics Test
	14:30 – 16:00	Year 6 (A) Netball (h) v Chesham Prep
<b>Thurs 28 Jan</b>	08:00 – 17:30	Mrs Clifford at an Independent School Inspection
	18:00 – 21:00	Years 3 and 5 Parents' Evening Form 3G surnames Di to K    Form 3O surnames N to Y Form 5BH surnames G to W    Form 5F surnames L to U <b>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS, FREE SWIMMING, SWIM SQUAD OR SUPERVISED PREP IN UPPER SCHOOL, YEAR 3 NETBALL TRAINING WILL TAKE PLACE</b>
<b>Fri 29 Jan</b>	08:00 – 17:30	Mrs Clifford at an Independent School Inspection
	16:00 – 16:45	<b>DANCE CLUB will take place in the Junior House Hall</b> <b>NO SUPERVISED PREP, BUT CLUBS WILL TAKE PLACE AS USUAL</b>
	17:00 – 18:30	Disco for Years 3 and 4 at High March
	19:00 – 20:30	High March/Davenies Disco for Years 5 and 6 at High March

## Sporting Notices

### Next Week's Fixtures

<b>Mon 25 Jan</b>	<b>Year 6 Netball Training is NOW ON!</b> Year 5 (A, B, C, D) Netball (a) v Godstowe
<b>Tues 26 Jan</b>	Year 5 Netball Training
<b>Wed 27 Jan</b>	Year 6 (A) Netball (h) v Chesham Prep – 2:30pm to 4:00pm, no spectators please. Year 4 Netball Training 4:00pm – 5:00pm Aquatic Skills 4:00pm – 5:00pm Year 5 Swim Squad 5:00pm to 6:00pm Year 3 Swim Squad 5:00pm to 6:00pm
<b>Thurs 28 Jan</b>	Year 3 Netball Training <b>NO FREE SWIM OR SWIM SQUADS</b>

## **Notices**

### **Cold Weather**

Now that the weather is so cold, please would parents make sure that the children have their scarves, gloves and fleecy hats in School so that they can be worn during playtimes. It is helpful if gloves are kept in the pockets of the playground coat. The hat and scarf can be pushed into the coat sleeve for safekeeping before the coat is hung up.

### **Half Term Holiday Intensive Swimming Course**

The intensive swimming course at half term running from Tuesday 16 to Friday 19 February has one space left for the 9:30am lesson.

The 10:30am lessons are fully booked with a waiting list. In order to confirm your child's place on the course please would you make immediate payment either by cheque to High March School or by bank transfer to account 30-96-54 00129547.

### **Save the Date: Easter Holiday Intensive Swimming Course 29 March - 1 April**

We shall be running an intensive swimming course during the Easter Holiday in conjunction with Neil Bailey Swimming from Tuesday 29 March to Friday 1 April. Classes will be at 9:30am and 10.30am. Further details will follow shortly by email and booking will open at the start of February: [swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk).

### **STP News**

This week we conducted the annual Hands Up Survey looking at the way our pupils travel to School and also asking how they would like to travel given the choice. It is pleasing to see an increase in the number of children parking and then walking to School, particularly among the Upper School girls. In Junior House there are a lot of children who scoot to School and across all the forms cycling is the preferred choice of a large percentage of our School.

Don't forget you can still sign up for the Parent Parking Promise; the forms can be downloaded from the intranet. If you care about safe and considerate driving and parking in the vicinity of the School, we encourage you to sign up to this pledge and gain two house points for your daughter.

Luminous tabards are available to purchase from the School Office priced at £5. There is also a supply of fluorescent snap bands at £2.50 each.

### **Alumni Lunch Sunday 3 July**

We shall also be holding an **Alumni Lunch** at Junior House on **Sunday 3 July** for former pupils over the years. If you have connections with any former High March pupils, please do pass on the date of this event or ask them to contact Mrs Dunster through the School Office.

### **New proposed Local Town Plan**

The existing Local Plan (which contains planning policies which govern what can and can't be built) is going to be replaced. This is very important for the town, not least because we can quote policies from the Local Plan when we want to object to planning applications. SBDC are running a public consultation from now until 5:00pm on 14 March. You can have your say about what you want to see in the new Local Plan by completing the Response Form on the SBDC website - these forms should also be available in Beaconsfield Public library. This is an important public issue as the new Local Plan will govern planning policy until 2036.

## Notices

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Suggestions could be that there are too many flats; we need safeguards for basement conversions, to protect space between houses so there is no cramming, to protect density of housing and the character of our woodland roads, in fact, whatever issues are important to you.

There is a public meeting concerning this at the Town Hall on 5 February at 7:30pm.

### **Beaconsfield Cycle Paths Action Group**

BCP has secured agreement from the Town Council for installation of further cycle racks in Beaconsfield. The next meeting of BCP will take place on 1 February 2016 at Junior House at 8:00pm.

## Social Group

### **Emerald Dinner**

We would like to remind you that the tickets for The Emerald Dinner and Dance go on sale next Tuesday, 2 February. The event takes place on Saturday, 12 March and includes a three course dinner and entertainment, including a live band.

The tickets are priced at £65 per head and we would encourage you to make up tables of 10. Please could you make cheques for the total table amount.

### **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 3 February 2016 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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