



High March School Bulletin

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From Mrs Clifford:

We are looking forward to welcoming as many High March families as possible to our Christmas Fayre tomorrow. There really is something for everyone and so please do take the time to visit both sites where you will find activities for the children to enjoy as well as bargain gifts which will make ideal Christmas presents. The Fayre will be open between 10am and 12:30pm and more details, including floor plans for both sites, will be sent under separate cover.

I am delighted to report a number of successes for High March pupils this week. Senior High March Voices were narrowly beaten by Maltman's Green School at the Marlow Festival, but I understand from Mr Elliott and many parents that our girls sang beautifully and were a credit to the School. A number of girls have won individual classes at the Marlow Festival and these will be reported in the end of term newsletter. Special congratulations go to Jemima in Form 5BH and Lauren in Year 6, however, who have respectively been awarded the Tudor Williams Cup for the most promising vocalist aged 16 years and under and the Rotary Club of Marlow's Prize of £50 for the most promising vocalist.

On the sporting front, we send our good wishes to Maisie in Year 5 who has qualified to swim 50m front crawl, breaststroke and backstroke in the ESSA Regional Swimming Gala this evening. Good luck also to Ella Botha in Year 6 who will be competing in the British Modern Biathlon Championships tomorrow in Solihull.

Particular congratulations go to Lily in Year 5 who represented High March at the National Schools Equestrian Association Show Jumping competition last weekend. Up against a field of 59 riders at a height of 70cm Lily came first with an impressive lead of 1.7 seconds. The time gap between the top places is often a fraction of a second, so this was a massive win for Lily and her pony, Goldie. We were also delighted to hear that Taliya, one of our Games Captains in Year 6, has been selected for the Bucks County Cricket Squad and will be attending the Malvern tour next Summer. Many congratulations to the following girl who was awarded a Headmistress' Award this week:

Leila in RD

Congratulations to the following Junior House Stars of the Week:

NCR Annabel

NWR Harmeen

RD Suri

RT Edith

1D Amy

1M Kelly

2GS Jasmine

2HN Megan

Congratulations to the following Upper School Stars of the Week:

3G Ellie

3O Ava

4C Niamh

4W Maria

5BH Ariana

5H Madeline

6K Amelia

6G Ella C

House Points

Daffodil	957
Rose	974
Shamrock	1038
Thistle	874

Diary Dates for week commencing Monday 28th November

Mon 28 Nov	16:00 – 17:30	School Management Team Meeting
Tues 29 Nov	13:00 – 13:45 16:00 – 17:30	Upper School Staff Meeting Key Stage One Staff Meeting
Wed 30 Nov	08:30 – 15:30 16:00 – 18:00	Ballet/Tap ends Year 6 (A and B) (U11) Netball (a) v Godstowe
Thurs 1 Dec	16:00 – 18:00 16:00 – 18:00 10:00 -tbc	Years 3 (U8) and 4 (U9) Netball Festival (a) v Berkhamsted Years 4, 5 and 6 Division 10 Swimming Gala (a) at St Helen's School NO FREE SWIMMING OR SWIM SQUAD Influenza vaccinations for Years 1, 2 and 3
Fri 2 Dec	08:45 – 16:00 16:00 – 16:45	Thistle House Assembly and Charity Fundraising Event Dance Club ends (parents invited to watch)

Sporting Notices

Next Week's Fixtures

Mon 28 Nov	16:00 – 17:00	Year 6 Netball Training
Tues 29 Nov	16:00 – 17:00	Year 5 Netball Training
Weds 30 Nov	16:00 – 18:00	Year 6 (A and B) (U11) Netball (a) v Godstowe NO YEAR 4 NETBALL TRAINING
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Fri 2 Dec	07:45 – 08:15	Sports Scholarship Workshop

Notices

Christmas Holiday Intensive Swimming Course and 1:1 lessons

The 1:1 lessons are sold out and we have a waiting list for places.

The 9:30am lessons on 19 – 21 December are also fully booked with a waiting list. There are a few spaces available at 10:30am for pupils and their siblings aged 5 and above. Please email swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk to book a place.

Extra-curricular Swimming

We shall assume that you wish to continue with your child's extra-curricular swimming lessons unless we hear from you to the contrary on swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk by the deadline of Friday 2 December.

Walk to School

Living Streets will be talking to Upper School in Prayers on Wednesday about the WOW (Walk Once a Week) initiative which the JRSOs will be running this year. This is a year round walk to school challenge which rewards primary school pupils who walk to school at least once a week with a monthly collectible badge.

We hope that many of our girls will support this challenge, as we have been particularly pleased by the increase in the numbers of pupils parking and striding to School. This data was collected in our annual Reception to Year 6 Hands Up Travel Survey conducted yesterday which conversely shows that the numbers travelling by car is decreasing.

School's Travel Conference

On Friday 18 November Mrs Stevenson attended the School's Travel Conference in Aylesbury to receive the Silver Award for the work of the STP and JRSOs in promoting safe and sustainable travel to school. There were several interesting speakers and ideas for new initiatives to try. Of particular interest was a campaign around car booster seats for any child under 1.35m and the changes to the law which come into effect on 1 December.

Considerate Parking Reminder

Please do remember to park and drive with due consideration to our neighbours particularly near Orchard Close as well as Sandelswood End and Ledborough Lane. We have had several calls from local residents in Orchard Close and Sandelswood End recently regarding our parents. Please be aware that the Affinity Water works taking place in Sandelswood End for the next few months will make it all the more important to drive and park safely.

Parents' Parking Promise

The JRSOs have been working on a parking promise which parents or guardians can sign to 'promise' that they will drive and park carefully and considerately around the school. This will be available for parents to sign up to at the JRSO stall at the Christmas Fayre.

Foster Fridge and Freezer

Following the installation of a walk-in dual compartment cold room at half term, we now have the following Foster fridge and freezer units surplus to requirements:

Foster Upright Freezer FSL400L slimline single door freezer

Foster Upright Fridge FSL800H slimline double door fridge

Foster is the premium brand, in Europe, when it comes to commercial refrigeration.

The fridge and freezer were purchased new in the Summer of 2012, have been regularly serviced and are in good condition. If anyone may be interested in making an offer for either or both, please contact the Bursar, Mr Peter Honiball, on 01494 685744, or by emailing bursar@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk

Notices continued

Social Group Notices

Christmas Fayre

Children's Raffle

We are very pleased to have had all the Raffle prizes on display during Prayers today for the children to view. The complete Children's Raffle list is below. Tickets are £1 each and were sent home with the pupils last week and will also be on sale at the Christmas Fayre. Please return purchased and non-purchased tickets to the Raffle Prize draw at the Upper School Hall before noon on Saturday. The draw will take place at 12:15pm.

Grand Prize:

Perform Voucher worth over £225 plus a Christmas craft activity pack

Other prizes:

1. Furby Plush Toy
2. Kiddi Superstar - V Tech Karaoke Machine
3. H&M £50 Voucher
4. High March Winter Uniform Teddy Bear
5. Accessorize £25 voucher plus reindeer antlers
6. The Entertainer £15 voucher and giant Christmas cracker
7. Nike Bag
8. Playball voucher
9. Model village voucher
10. Roald Dahl museum voucher
11. Odds Farm voucher
12. Rush voucher
13. Christmas activity pack with stamps

Christmas Card project

The orders have arrived and will be sent home this afternoon – please check your daughter's bag.

Bear uniforms

A reminder that, if you have pre-ordered a High March bear uniform, these will be available for collection at the Craft Stall in the Upper School Hall at the Christmas Fayre. Alternatively, orders will be available for collection at the School Office from Tuesday 29th November.

Santa's Grotto

We look forward to welcoming those who have pre-booked slots to Santa's Grotto at the Christmas Fayre. Please check your slot time as most slots are full and so we will not be able to accommodate changes on the day.

Bubbles and Brunch

The Social Group would like to thank all those who purchased Brunch tickets; the event is a sell out!