



PARENT BULLETIN

FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2020

Message from the Principal

I am delighted that our students managed to brave the weather to safely take off and make it to Iceland and back this week. A wonderful experience and thank you to all staff involved, particularly Miss Cartmale. I am sure we will be sharing more details in due course. Year 7 will also be getting a letter next week explaining that we have been able to add Dance to their curriculum starting after half term. We have often had requests for Dance to be offered and I am looking forward to seeing how these lessons go. You will all also receive a letter next week explaining how the logistics of detentions will be altered after half term, so please ensure we have your correct email address details and that you are signed up to the SIMS Parent App.

Year 11 Exam Information Evening

Thank you to parents and students who attended the Year 11 Exams Information Evening. The presentation from the evening can be found on the school website under the Guides section of the Parents/Carers tab. Further information and resources can be found in the Curriculum tab. I also suggest exploring the new tests and quizzes available on BBC Bitesize https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/bitesize-quizzes/zhyx7nb?dm_i=3YNL,132II,2M6L9G,3SA2G,1

Saturday Revision

This week's Saturday morning Year 11 revision sessions will be **English & History**. Next week, Saturday 22nd February, will be English. 9am - 11am. Our best week so far is 49 students!

Half Term Revision

The school will be open daily from 9am to 11am to provide a supervised revision space with computer for any Year 11 students, with additional support offered as follows:
Mon (History), Tue (English), Wed-Fri (Maths).

Thank you to all staff giving up their weekends and holiday to support our Year 11.

Coronavirus Advice

We have been given the latest government information regarding the Coronavirus to pass on:
<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

A clear message from the guidance is that **the risk to individuals is low** but to encourage good hygiene and as always, if you have symptoms of a cold or flu, then there are measures you can take to stop germs spreading:

- always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze. Then bin the tissue, and wash your hands, or use a sanitiser gel.
- wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after using public transport. Use a sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available.
- avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell.

Year 7 & 8 Parents' Evenings

7x/7w Tuesday 25th February 3:30pm - 7:00pm
7y Thursday 27th February 3:30pm - 7:00pm

8x/ 8w Monday 9th March 3:30pm - 7:00pm
8y Thursday 12th March 3:30pm - 7:00pm

Parents can make their own appointments via our new online booking facility on the link below.

<https://marshacademy.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Diary Dates

Tuesday 25th February 2020 - First day of Term 4
Wednesday 18th March – Parent Forum 4

WEEK NUMBERS TERM 3 2019/20	
Week beginning Tuesday 25 th February	Week 1
Week beginning Monday 2 nd March	Week 2
Week beginning Monday 9 th March	Week 1





ACADEMY NEWS

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E-SAFETY PRESENTATION

Last week our Year 7 students were fortunate enough to receive a presentation about E-safety: looking at how to ensure they remain safe online. The session was run by Zoe Cairnes from Zoe Media who are a social networking company leading in the field of E-Safety.

The session covered copyright laws, phishing, spam emails and online bullying, advising students how to deal with such issues if they arise. This workshop complements work taking place in the Academy promoting E-safety with students. The next parent forum, taking place on Wednesday 18th March, will also focus on E-safety and wellbeing. All parents are invited to join us for the session which begins at 5:00pm. Thank you to our local councillor for support to provide this event.

POST 16 FOOTBALL ACADEMY

This week our Football Academy scholars extended their unbeaten run to 13 league games this season and finally took their place at the top of the league. The Football Academy is about so much more than results on the pitch, but nonetheless we are all delighted with their success.



POST 16 MARSH-TER CHEF

On Monday 3rd February our Post 16 students were joined by Tonbridge School counterparts for the annual 'Marsh'-ter Chef cooking competition. This year, each Marsh student was paired with a Tonbridge student and set the challenge of cooking a main course of **Thai Spicy Chicken Noodles** with a **Mango and Passion Fruit Cheesecake** for dessert.

Students were given a demonstration by Miss Lee before they were let loose in the kitchen. It was great to see the students from two different schools get to know each other while working on their creations. When talking to the group it was clear that few had really cooked before, but we were in the company of some hobbyist bakers!



As the pressure of time mounted, students reacted with a cool measured approach; creating some fantastic meals. The quality of the food was exceptionally high; fit to grace any table.

Students were judged on taste and presentation for both dishes and it was incredibly difficult to find a winner with such quality. All of the students who took part were able to sit and chat while they ate their meals discussing their plans for the future and in some cases talking about how they were going to recreate the meal at home. Well done all!

ACADEMIES LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SOUTH

Pos	Association	Pl	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
1st	Marsh Academy	13	11	2	0	59	18	35	+41
2nd	Dover Christ Church Academy	13	11	1	1	51	12	34	+39
3rd	Canterbury Academy	12	9	0	3	55	22	27	+33
4th	Towers School	12	6	1	5	30	40	19	-10
5th	Ursuline College	9	4	1	4	31	23	13	+8
6th	Brompton Academy	7	4	0	3	22	19	12	+3
7th	Folkestone Academy	12	2	1	9	24	42	7	-18
8th	Sandwich TS	10	2	0	8	14	42	6	-28

