



PARENT BULLETIN

FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY 2020

Message from Principal

I was asked to visit a school in Erith this week and while the team there were working very hard to transform their school, what struck me as I walked through the corridors, was how polite our students are on a daily basis in school and how I can walk past pretty much any lesson in our school and students are on task and engaging with teachers who are really trying to do their best for our children. Something that we perhaps take for granted some days. That said, while this term has started well, a handful of children towards the end of the week have decided not to follow staff instructions and were defiant, so as a consequence are not in school next week. This is a tiny minority of students, but I am clear: defiance will not be tolerated.

Tomorrow (Saturday) our Year 11 revision sessions start. Each week we will be open for revision 9am-11am for any Year 11 to get extra support. I would like to thank the staff for giving up their weekend and encourage students to attend. This week the sessions include:

- Art – Miss Elvery
- English Language Paper 1 (Reading) – Mr McWalters
- Business – Mr Langton

Depending on numbers we will consider opening this to any Year 10 students who might benefit from extra support.

Year 11 Leavers' Ball

To give our Year 11 students the opportunity to celebrate the end of their exams, The Marsh Academy Leavers' Ball will take place on Friday 26th June 2020 at Folkestone Rugby Club. Coaches leave the Academy at 6:30pm and return for 11:30pm. The cost of a ticket is £35.00 and must be paid by 19th June. This includes transport, BBQ, 2 free drinks and a pick and mix stall. Students may wish to bring money for extra drinks and photographs. Security staff will be at the venue; please note that if any student is found with or under the influence of alcohol, their parents/carers will be contacted to collect them immediately. We would love to see as many students as possible, if you have any queries, please contact Ms Cooper.

Careers Advice

At this time of year Year 11 and Post-16 are making decisions about their future. There are some useful documents about Careers choices and Apprenticeships: <https://www.marshacademy.org.uk/523/careers>

At the bottom of the page are downloads including spreadsheets showing the most recent apprenticeships that have been advertised in the area. If any student needs support registering and applying for college via the Kent Choices website or registering for apprenticeships, the next workshop will be on Thursday 6th February. They need to give their name to Miss Shaw or email careers@marshacademy.org.uk to ask for a place.

Year 11 Leavers' Hoodies

Year 11 students have the opportunity to purchase a Marsh Academy Leavers' Hoody as a memento of their time in school. The hoodies cost £25, come in a range of colours and sizes and will be available to buy on parent pay until 30th April 2020, delivery will be May/June 2020. Please see Ms Cooper to view a sample and to choose your size and colour.

Year 10 Parents' Evening

A reminder to all Year 10 parents that the Year 10 Parents' Evening is on January 30th starting at 3:30pm until 7pm. There is a new online booking system on which parents and carers can book directly via this website <https://marshacademy.parenteveningsystem.co.uk/>

Diary Dates

Thursday 6th February 2020 – Post 16 Parents' Evening
Thursday 13th February 2020 – Year 11 Exams Evening
Friday 14th February 2020 – Last day of Term 3

WEEK NUMBERS TERM 3 2019/20	
Week beginning Monday 27 th January	Week 2
Week beginning Monday 3 rd February	Week 1

