



High March School Bulletin

Week 9 8.3.19

From Mrs Clifford:

We were delighted to receive a delivery of our very own Buddy mascot this week. Buddy the speech bubble is the NSPCC's "Speak out Stay safe" mascot and he is used by NSPCC volunteers and staff when delivering workshops and assemblies in schools. Evidently very few schools are awarded their very own Buddy and so it is a huge honour given in recognition of the many years of fundraising that High March has undertaken in aid of this very worthwhile charity. The Upper School girls were very excited by this gift and our NSPCC Prefects, Olivia, Sienna and Audrey were delighted to be presented with Buddy in Prayers this morning.

This week it gave me great pleasure to hear every child in Year 2 sing as part of their annual singing competition. The set piece was "The Skye Boat Song" which is a late 19th century Scottish song recalling the journey of Prince Charles Edward Stuart (Bonnie Prince Charlie) from Uist to the Isle of Skye as he evaded capture by Government troops after his defeat at the Battle of Culloden in 1746. Sir Harold Boulton composed the lyrics to an air composed by Anne Campbelle MacLeod in the 1870s. Famous artistes such as Tom Jones, Rod Stewart and Roger Whittaker have all recorded versions of the song. The children in Year 2 sang with great enthusiasm and it was difficult to choose a winner. After much deliberation Lara, Emily, Edith and Alexa were commended and Anna was highly commended. Many congratulations to the winner, Sylvie.

Many congratulations to the following girls who received a Headmistress' Award this week:

Iris in RD
Phoebe in 1D
Tia in 4W
Alice in RD

Congratulations to the following Junior House Stars of the Week:

NCR	Siana
NWR	Anaya
RD	Fatimah
RT	Sophie
1D	Poppy
1M	Annabel
2GS	Audrey
2HN	Juliette

Congratulations to the following Upper School Stars of the Week:

3E	Ngaire
3G	Alice
4C	Jasmine
4W	Katharine
5BH	Grace
5J	Annabel
6K	Elise
6O	Elizabeth

House Points

Daffodil	254
Rose	286
Shamrock	400
Thistle	330

Diary Dates for week commencing Monday 11 Mar

Mon 11 Mar	14:15 – 17:45	Extra-Curricular Swimming – parents are invited to watch
	16:30 – 17:45	Years 4, 5 and 6 Division Ten Swimming Gala at St Helen's School - Arrive back at HM at 18:45
	16:00 – 17:30	Senior Management Team Meeting
Tues 12 Mar	14:15 – 17:45	Extra-Curricular Swimming – parents are invited to watch
	14:00 – 15:30	Year 6 Joint Concert with Davenies
	14:30 – 16:00	Year 6 (U9) (A and B Teams) Netball (a) v Pipers Corner
	16:00 – 17:30	Key Stage One Staff Meeting
Wed 13 Mar	08:40 – 09:00	Visiting Speaker, Mrs Victoria Evans, to give a SIGN Presentation in Upper School Prayers
	11:45 – 18:00	Year 5 (U10 A and B Teams) Netball Tournament at St Hugh's School, Oxford
Thurs 14 Mar	09:00 – 15:40	Year 2 outing to Frogmore Mill
	13:00 – 13:30	Year 5 Concert at the United Reform Church, Beaconsfield
	16:00 – 17:30	Foundation Stage Staff Meeting
Fri 15 Mar	08:40 – 15:45	Shamrock House Prayers and Charity Fundraising Day

Sporting Notices

Mon 11 Mar	16:00 – 17:00	Year 6 Netball Training
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	16:00 – 17:00	Year 4 Netball Training
	16:00 – 17:00	Water Polo Club
	17:00 – 18:00	Year 3 Swim Squad
	18:00 – 19:00	Year 5 Swim Squad
Thurs 14 Mar	16:00 – 17:00	Year 3 Netball Training
	16:00 – 17:00	Free Swimming
	17:00 – 18:00	Year 4 Swim Squad
	18:00 – 19:00	Year 6 Swim Squad

Notices

Extra-Curricular Swimming

Parents are invited to watch the penultimate lessons of the term on Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 March.

Extracurricular Swimming renewal

Renewal is automatic; please email swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk by Friday 15 March if you do not wish your child to continue these lessons in the Summer Term. The renewal letter will be sent by email shortly.

Easter Holiday Intensive Swimming Course Monday 8 - Friday 12 April

Neil Bailey Swimming is running an intensive course during the Easter Holidays from Monday 8 to Friday 12 April. The one hour long lessons are at 9:30 am for Nursery age children and their siblings and at 10:30am for Reception age children upwards. To book places on this course, please email swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk

Holiday Swimming Courses – Save the Dates

Half Term: Tuesday 28 – Friday 31 May
Summer Holiday: Monday 22 – Friday 26 July
Monday 5 – Friday 9 August
Tuesday 27 – Friday 30 August

JRSO Walking Initiative in May

We are exhorting all Year 6 and any others in Upper School to walk all the way to School from home or from St Michael's Green on the Fridays in May (10th, 17th and 24th). The JRSOs and the STP team will coordinate the walk from St Michael's Green which will follow the crocodile trail used some years ago. Further details will follow.

Parking

There have been a large number of calls and emails to the Office this week complaining about parents parking on the double yellow lines in Assheton Road and Ledborough Lane and also partially blocking driveways in Sandelswood End making it dangerous to turn out into the road. Please think before you park, and if at all possible, park further from School and stride. It is a great opportunity to walk and talk with your child.

Dropping off in Ledborough Lane

If you really need to drop off your daughter on Ledborough Lane, please stop as briefly as possible and do not get out of your car; your daughter must be able to get out of the car with her bags and walk unaccompanied into School. Any parking or waiting on double yellow lines will contravene the Highway Code and could be a Road Traffic Act offence if an obstruction is caused thereby. Some of our neighbours have a low tolerance threshold to inconsiderate driving and parking.

Picking up from Upper School

Please do not park on the double yellow lines in Ledborough Lane to collect your daughter from Upper School. The situation was particularly bad yesterday when clubs were cancelled for Parents' Evening; however, many parents did park and walk when the same situation arose on Tuesday because the PCSO was on patrol.

Young Food Writer of the Year 2019

We invite children to write a story on the theme of 'Food for Sharing' for a chance to win lots of fabulous prizes and an invitation to the 'Winners' lunch to meet some food writing heroes. The story can feature any occasion from a family Sunday lunch to a seaside picnic with friends. Click on the link for more details about how to enter

<https://www.pinkladyapples.co.uk/competitions/write-it-2019/enter-competition>

The closing date for entries is 30 April.

Beaconsfield NOW! Save the Date

Beaconsfield NOW! 2019 will be on Saturday 11 May at Beaconsfield Rugby Club. This year's event is part of the town-wide celebrations for the 750th year of the Charter Fair.

Social Group Notices

Junior House Craft Party

The craft party will take place on Saturday 23 March from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. Tickets are £12 each and include all craft materials and refreshments. Open to girls in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, this event is always hugely popular so please book early at the School Office to avoid disappointment. We do need some extra parent helpers, so if you feel you would be able to, please email Katie on writetokstewart@gmail.com.

"A Night of Magic"

The Social Group invites you to an evening of magic, food, music and dancing which will be taking place on Saturday 11 May at the Crowne Plaza, Gerrards Cross. Please gather your tables of 12, fill in the booking form which was emailed to you, and bring it to Junior House on 19 March to guarantee your space. Tables are limited, so please get your forms in on time.

Please help us:

We are looking for generous parents to help make our silent auction at the dinner dance a success, so that the Social Group can continue to provide those luxury extras for our girls; for example, Bollywood dancing, drama shows, anti-bullying workshops and sports equipment. Maybe you have a holiday home you could donate a stay in? Or football/rugby season tickets you could donate for a game. Maybe you provide a service locally; for example - music or dance teacher, beauty therapist, dentist or personal trainer, which you could offer. If you think you could help us, please get in touch with Emma Kirkham (emma.kirkham@yahoo.co.uk) or Mikela Upton (mikela.upton@yahoo.co.uk). Thank you.