



# High March School Bulletin

Week 4 28.09.18

## From Mrs Clifford:

As I write it is the tea break on the second day at the IAPS Heads' Conference in Wales. The theme this year is "Tomorrow's World; Global Citizens" and there have been a range of interesting and informative speakers and workshops.

Of particular note this morning was a presentation by Dr Ruth Graham entitled "Our future engineers: what prep schools can learn from emerging approaches to undergraduate education". Dr Graham was the Director of the EnVision project at Imperial College London which sought to transform the undergraduate education across all nine departments in the Faculty of Engineering and improve its culture of support and reward for teaching excellence. Of particular note was her description of the changes in the teaching of engineering at university level from a didactic knowledge based approach to the encouragement of more problem solving and collaborative learning.

We look forward to welcoming many parents and guests to our Harvest Festivals next week, details of which have been sent out under separate cover today. The children have been practising their songs and poems in anticipation of your attendance!

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

**NCR Aurora**

**NWR Lucas**

**RD Iris**

**RT Francesca**

**1D Mia**

**1M Tove**

**2GS Audrey**

**2HN Juliette**

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

**3E Erica**

**3G Amber**

**4C Zarina**

**4W Giaan**

**5BH Alexandra**

**5J Freya**

**6K Jessica**

**6O Sacha**

### House Points

**Daffodil 586**

**Rose 602**

**Shamrock 617**

**Thistle 595**

## Diary Dates for week commencing Monday 1 Oct

<b>Mon 1 Oct</b>	17:00 – 18:30	Governors' Finance Sub-Committee Meeting
	17:30 – 18:00	Year 5 Manor Adventure trip returns
	18:30 – 20:00	Governors' Meeting
<b>Tues 2 Oct</b>	16:00 – 18:30	Years 4, 5 and 6 Division 10 Swimming Gala at Maltman's Green
	16:00 – 17:00	Key Stage One Staff Meeting
<b>Wed 3 Oct</b>	08:45 – 09:15	Harvest Festival for Upper School
	11:30 – 18:00	Year 6 (U11 A and B) Netball Tournament (a) at Manor Prep
	12:30 – 13:00	Pupil Council Meeting in Upper School
<b>Thurs 4 Oct</b>	08:15 – 09:15	Nearly New Uniform Sale, 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor in Carngray and
	15:00 – 16:00	
	09:15 – 09:45	Harvest Festival for Nursery and Year 2
	10:15 – 10:45	Harvest Festival for Reception and Year 1
	16:00 – 17:30	Foundation Stage Staff Meeting
	16:00 – 17:30	Years 4 – 6 Swimming Gala (a) vs Pipers Corner
<b>Fri 5 Oct</b>	09:00 – 12:30	Junior Road Safety Officers' Fun Day
	09:15 – 10:15	Christmas Fayre Planning Meeting in Junior House Hall
	09:30 – 11:00	Year 6 to attend an E-Safety theatre production at Davenies

## Sporting Notices

<b>Mon 1 Oct</b>	16:00 – 17:00	Year 6 Netball Club
<b>Tues 2 Oct</b>	16:00 – 17:00	Year 5 Netball Club
	16:00 – 18:30	Years 4, 5 and 6 Division 10 Swimming Gala at Maltman's Green
<b>Wed 3 Oct</b>	11:30 – 18:00	Year 6 (U11 A and B) Netball Tournament (a) at Manor Prep
	16:00 – 17:00	Year 4 Netball Club
	16:00 – 17:00	Years 3 to 6 Water Polo Club
	17:00 – 18:00	Year 3 Swim Squad
	18:00 – 19:00	Year 5 Swim Squad
<b>Thurs 4 Oct</b>	16:00 – 17:30	Years 4 – 6 Swimming Gala (a) vs Pipers Corner
	16:00 – 17:00	Year 3 Netball Club
	16:00 – 17:00	Free Swimming

**NO AFTER SCHOOL SWIM SQUADS**

## Notices

### **October Half Term Intensive Swimming Course 23 – 25 October**

We are again running our popular Intensive swimming course in conjunction with Neil Bailey Swimming from Tuesday 23 to Thursday 25 October. Lessons will be at 9:30am for Nursery aged children and their siblings and 10:00am for Reception age and above. Please email [swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk) to book places.

### **Christmas Holiday Intensive Swimming Course 17 – 19 December**

We will also be running an Intensive swimming course in conjunction with Neil Bailey Swimming from Monday 17 to Wednesday 19 December. Lessons will be at 9.30am for Nursery aged children and their siblings and 10:30am for Reception age and above. Please email [swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.bucks.sch.uk) to book places.

### **Please adopt a “Good Egg” approach to School Travel.**

Please do not park around the entrance to the Upper School car park when you arrive to collect your daughter after her club, in particular after the netball clubs that finish at 5:00pm. It is both difficult and dangerous for cars driven by staff to turn out of the School and for other drivers to turn out of the dentist's car park. Parking on double yellow lines is contrary to the Highway Code and can obstruct vision splays.

As most parents and carers will be aware, High March has a strong sustainable travel and eco/community culture. Please support us in this philosophy. In accordance with our School Travel Plan, which forms part of School regulations, and is thus contractually binding on all parents, you agree when becoming parents to drive and park considerately and legally. In the past week we have had cause to number and shame poorly/illegally parked cars of parents or carers, and to respond to further complaints from local residents, some of whom are current or former parents. Please consider your actions and if possible park and stride from Waitrose car park or other local roads without parking restrictions.

### **Terry Pratchett Celebrations**

The Beaconsfield Society is hosting a series of events from 6 – 13 October celebrating the magical realm of Terry Pratchett. Events include literary talks and an art competition. Please see the posters displayed on the boards at Junior House and Upper School for all the details. Oxfam Books and Music in Beaconsfield have a large selection of Terry Pratchett books, all at a very reasonable cost.

## Social Group Notices

### **Junior House Circus Party**

The Junior House Circus Party on 13 October is now SOLD OUT. If you have requested tickets and not yet paid, please can you do so now. Final information will be sent to all parents who purchased tickets prior to the event.

### **School Thank You Card**

Girls in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are being invited to design a School Thank You Card which will be sent to suppliers and individuals who support the School in various ways. Details of the competition will be sent out next week and application forms will be placed in the girls' bags.

### **Christmas Panto at the Wycombe Swan**

Tickets are selling fast for this year's pantomime taking place at the Wycombe Swan at 2:00pm on Friday 14 December. Discounted tickets can be purchased via this link. Friends and siblings welcome <https://highmarchbeaconsfield.wufoo.com/forms/mvy4sgu0t80faq/>

### **Upper School Discos**

The Upper School Discos will take place on Friday 9 November for Years 3 to 6. Further information will be given out next week.