



# High March School Bulletin

Week 12 22.11.19

## From Mrs Gater:

This week, it has been the turn of the Eco-Team to take the lead across the school as they introduced us all to 'Switch-Off Fortnight' and the wider importance of taking action to reduce our energy consumption. I am sure you will have many reminders to turn off your laptops and turn down the heating in the week ahead. It was also delightful to learn how one of our Year 3 girls had taken the eco-initiative and sent a message to Odds Farm to recommend a greater focus on recycling – High March girls take action!

As the finishing touches are added to snowmen, Christmas trees and twinkly stars a-plenty and the familiar strains of a well-known musical number filter through the ceiling of my office, I can report the not so understated arrival of Christmas to the halls, classrooms and corridors of the school! Cheer of the festive season abounds as we prepare for the Christmas Fayre tomorrow and also for the Nativity and other performances which we will enjoy in the coming weeks.

Mrs Ridley, Mrs Crockford and Mrs Stevenson can still, just about, be located in the school offices, although they are quickly disappearing below the wonderful collection of hampers and raffle prizes! Thank you to everyone in the community for your efforts and contributions.

I hope that many of you are able to join us for the fun and festivities tomorrow and I look forward to welcoming you and your families.

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

<b>NC</b>	<b>Eliza</b>
<b>NR</b>	<b>Annabelle</b>
<b>RB</b>	<b>Aurora</b>
<b>RD</b>	<b>Katrina</b>
<b>1D</b>	<b>Xenia</b>
<b>1M</b>	<b>Philippa</b>
<b>2GS</b>	<b>Florence</b>
<b>2HN</b>	<b>Harmeen</b>

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

<b>3E</b>	<b>Zary Alexa</b>
<b>3G</b>	<b>Alaina Juliette</b>
<b>4C</b>	<b>Sofia Ngaire Siri</b>
<b>4W</b>	<b>Cerys Clementina</b>
<b>5BH</b>	<b>Isla</b>
<b>5JN</b>	<b>Sophia</b>
<b>6G</b>	<b>Grace</b>
<b>6K</b>	<b>Poppy</b>

### **House Points**

<b>Daffodil</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>Rose</b>	<b>626</b>
<b>Shamrock</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>Thistle</b>	<b>739</b>

## Notices

### **Christmas 1-2-1 Swimming Lessons Tuesday 17th and 18th December**

**Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th December** - from 2:30pm to 4:30pm.

Friday 13th December from 10:00am - 11:30am – FULLY BOOKED

These 30-minute lessons, run by Neil Bailey Swimming, are open to all High March pupils and their siblings; they are suitable for those just starting to swim to our squad and club swimmers.

To book places please email [swimming@highmarch.co.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.co.uk).

### **Extra-curricular Swimming renewal**

Please note that the extra-curricular swimming renewal is automatic, if you do not wish your child to continue with these lessons please email [swimming@highmarch.co.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.co.uk) by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Be Bright Friday on 22nd November**

Thank you to everyone who supported the JRSO request to wear a bright piece of clothing or accessory today. It really did send out an important message about road safety.

### **Save Our Green Belt Public Meeting Thursday 28th November**

South Bucks District Council (SBDC) continue to plan to release Beaconsfield's green belt for 1600 homes, a warehouse/business park and travellers' site. The plans include development on the fields along Longbottom Lane; fields both sides of the M40 spur; the fields along the A40 between the Old Town and up to Holtspur, among others. The Beaconsfield Society are holding a Public Meeting on Thursday 28th November at 8:00pm at St. Mary's Church in the Old Town.

### **Thistle Day 29<sup>th</sup> November**

Thistle Day takes place next Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> November. Girls at both Junior House and Upper School may pay £1 to wear the Thistle House colours of white, purple and blue. A lunchtime disco, guess the name of the teddy bear and a cake sale will also take place at Upper School. We would welcome the donation of any cakes to sell on Friday and ask that these be brought to 4W on Friday morning. We hope to raise lots of money for this year's charities, Helen and Douglas House and Plastic Oceans UK.

### **Touch Typing Booster Session**

There are still a considerable number of places in the Touch Typing Booster session on Friday December 13th at 11:15 - 1:00 pm. Friday January 3rd at 9:30 - 11:15 am now has just a few places available. The cost is £25 per session. The venue is the Upper School ICT suite. If you would like your daughter to attend please fill in the form below.

<https://tinyurl.com/y4ptuy5n>

### **Uniform Checks**

Please could we politely request that you periodically check that your daughter has uniform that belongs to her and not someone else, as we regularly have pieces of uniform that go missing.

## Social Group Notices

### Santa's Magical Journey

For all little Elves that are registered to help Santa with their magical powers, please ensure you arrive in good time. Sessions will start promptly at 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30 and 12:00.

There are a few slots left for Santa's magical Journey and those tickets can be bought at the door (Junior House). Please note that bookings will be checked on a list; no physical tickets will be issued.

### Social Group Christmas Fayre Raffle

The Social Group is currently raising funds to purchase a **Cyclorama** which will add an extra touch of professionalism to all High March productions. There are some amazing prizes to be won. The draw will take place at the Christmas Fayre in Upper School at 12 noon. Raffle tickets can still be purchased and entered on Saturday (Upper School Hall). With thanks for your generosity and continued support.

### Christmas Brunch - Friday 6th December

Tickets for our very popular Christmas Brunch are selling very fast. Tickets are £25 pp and will include prosecco / coffee or juice and Brunch with a choice of 5 options. This is our fundraiser for Breast Cancer Now. When booking, you will be asked to indicate your choice of menu as well as which year group table you wish to sit with.

**Quite a few bookings are not showing a food and/or year group table choice. Please complete this as soon as possible.**

[Booking link for Christmas Brunch](#)