



# High March School Bulletin

Week 2 17.01.20

## From Mrs Gater:

I think there is just time to wish you all a Happy New Year and offer my hope that 2020 will be a good year for everyone connected with High March. Our first week back in school has been filled with many happy faces and tales of holiday fun.

Many of our Year 6 pupils are at the beginning of a very busy few weeks of interviews and senior school assessments, but they appear buoyant and ready for the challenge – especially with the support of their friends, teachers and families. All of Year 6 were all delighted to hear that they have progressed to the finals of the Barnardo's Youth Choral Competition 2020 which will be held at the Royal Festival Hall in March. A fantastic achievement in itself, but I am sure our High March girls will have their sights set on the top spot in the Under 12s category!

If you have not yet followed High March on Twitter, I can recommend it. We regularly post photos and snippets of what we have been getting up to – hope to see you there soon!

Have a great week.

Mrs Gater.

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

NC	Aria
NR	Peyton
RB	Elora
RD	Charlotte
1D	Ophelia
1M	Sarisha
2GS	Sophia
2HN	Amberly

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

3E	Daisy Pola-Mariam
3G	Anna Luella
4C	Francesca Siri
4W	Cerys Caroline
5BH	Hannah Genie Vaishali
5JN	Amelie Constance
6G	Hafsah Madison Annabel Leyla
6K	Charlotte Elvira Annabel H Shiloh

### **House Points**

Daffodil	138	Rose	149
Shamrock	169	Thistle	151

## Notices

### Half Term Holiday 1-2-1 swimming lessons

Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 9:00am, 9:30am and 10:00am.

There are a very few places left for the 1-2-1 lessons at half term. The lessons are open to all High March pupils and their siblings from Nursery to Year 6. To book a place email [swimming@highmarch.co.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.co.uk)

### Easter Holiday courses: Save the Dates

Monday 6th to Thursday 9th April 9:30am – 11:30am

Tuesday 14th to Friday 17th April 9:30am – 11:30am

The format for both these weeks will be 30 minute 1-2-1 lessons at 9:30am and 10:00am followed by a one-hour group lesson from 10:30am -11:30am for squad and stronger swimmers. Further details will follow.

### Level 1 Bikeability Friday 27th March

Spokes Cycle Training will be running a Level 1 Bikeability Course at High March on Friday 27th March from 10:00am to 12:00pm. The course is open to any girls in Years 3 and 4. There are 15 funded places available. If you would like your daughter to attend the course please would you express your interest by emailing [stp@highmarch.co.uk](mailto:stp@highmarch.co.uk)

### STP / BCP Meetings

The next meeting of the STP Working Party and BCP (Beaconsfield Cycle Paths) takes place on Monday 20th January at Junior House at 7:30pm. If you have items you would like raised at these meeting please email [stp@highmarch.co.uk](mailto:stp@highmarch.co.uk)

### Upper School Car Park

You are reminded that it is not permitted to drive in to the Upper School Car Park between 3:30pm and 4:15pm. Girls should not cross the car park to access the front door of Upper School; they must use the side entrance. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### Ledborough Lane congestion

Please do not make a turn in Ledborough Lane to avoid queuing traffic. Many of our pupils walk to School and cars frequently turning in driveways makes this unsafe.

### Improving the roads and pavements around High March

If you agree with us that some of the local roads and pavements are in a deplorable condition, please consider contacting Transport for Bucks via the following link <https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/transport-and-roads/> We are particularly concerned about the uneven paving slabs in Ledborough Lane and Sandelswood End near Junior House and have requested that these be repaired or replaced.

### Homestay Family

An opportunity has arisen for a High March family to host a visiting student this February half term whilst she does an intensive riding course at Shardeloes Farm. The family would ideally need to live within a 10 to 15 minute drive of Shardeloes in Amersham. Please contact Georgia Bellis-Jones on 07884 283773 or email [gbellisjones@live.com](mailto:gbellisjones@live.com) for full details.

## Notices continued

### Hester Bancroft Talk Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at St Mary's School

After her incredibly well received self-esteem talk last year, Hester Bancroft will be back at St Mary's school to present "RESILIENCE: TEACH YOUR CHILD HOW TO BOUNCE BACK FROM LIFE'S HICCUPS" The talk will cover the following points: - The importance of building resilience in your child - The building blocks of resilience and how to put them in place - Help your child learn the importance of taking responsibility - Help your child understand how to cope with rejection or failure - Help your child deal with worries and move outside their comfort zones The talk runs from 7:30pm to 9:00pm at St Marys School Hall. Tickets are £15 and include a free glass of prosecco (or soft option) and handouts. Spaces limited - to book your spot please transfer £15 to the PTA account (sort code: 30-96-54 Account: 00573544) reference: your name.

### Touch Typing Booster Sessions

Dear Parents

I will be running the next Touch Typing Booster sessions, for Years 2 - 6, on Monday 17th February. There are 2 sessions scheduled that day. 9:15 am - 11 am and 11:15 - 1:00 pm. If you would like to sign your daughter up for one of the sessions, please use the link below.

<https://tinyurl.com/rfrwkba>

Thank you

Mrs Halford

## Social Group Notices

### Classlist update

There has been a software update on Classlist during the Christmas period. It has been reported that notifications have defaulted back to "no notifications" so you may no longer receive alerts the way you did before. Please check your classlist profile. You can select your preferences under "push notifications" and "email notifications".

### Upper School Discos - Friday 31st January

5:00pm – 6:30pm: Years 3 & 4

7:00pm - 8.30pm: Years 5 & 6

Tickets for the Upper School Discos for Years 3 to 6 are now on sale through Classlist. Our ever-popular photo booth is returning to the January disco! Fun party accessories can be purchased so the girls may want to bring some change.

### Quiz Night - Saturday 29th February at 8:00 pm

You are invited to a cracker of a brain teasing event this February. Our Quiz Night is taking place on Saturday 29th February. Please arrive at 7:30 pm so we can serve you with drinks for a prompt 8:00 pm start. Tables consist of 8 people and tickets are £20 per person, food included.

Places are limited so start gathering your teams! Table bookings will be available as of next week on classlist. If you wish to join the quiz but do not have a full table, please contact the Social Group and we will assign you within a team.

### Save the Date

Saturday 21st March 2020: Science themed event for Junior House (details to follow in due course).