



High March School Bulletin

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From Mrs Gater:

At the end of our third busy week at High March, girls, teachers and governors gathered this morning to remember and celebrate Del and Robert Anderson and the enormous impact they had on the development of the School. Mrs Avery, their granddaughter, gave a lovely presentation explaining how Mr and Mrs Anderson met, how they helped evacuate children during World War II and when they came to High March. We also learned that Mrs Anderson loved dogs and had a Yorkshire Terrier named Sonnet.

It is possibly no surprise then, that the scholarship endowed in her honour is a celebration of poetry. The competition for the Del Anderson Poetry Scholarship has been of a very high standard this year, with all the girls who entered showing keen interest and thoughtful consideration of poetry through their performances, anthologies and analysis. This year, the scholarship has been awarded to Elsa and two exhibitions have been awarded to Jeena and Charlie.

Last week two teams from High March competed in the Wycombe Abbey Swimming Gala against a number of local schools. Our girls swam with great strength and were placed both first and second overall with a number of excellent individual performances. As a result of our win, we have made it through to a county final later in the Spring. Well done to everyone involved and thanks to Ms Norman and the swimming team for enabling the girls to perform so brilliantly.

Congratulations to the following Junior House Stars of the Week:

NC	Evelyn
NR	Oscar
RB	Charlotte
RD	Matilda
1D	Zoe
1M	Elisa
2GS	Zarina
2HN	Harriet

Congratulations to the following Upper School Stars of the Week:

3E	Naomi
3G	Alana Leila
4C	Malaika
4W	Tessa
5BH	Juliette
5JN	Millie
6G	Eloise Laurel
6K	Maliha

House Points

Daffodil	254	Rose	259
Shamrock	317	Thistle	283

Notices

Staff News

Mr Hanford has decided to leave High March at the end of the Spring Term. He has been a hugely valuable member of the maintenance team and I know we will all be sorry to say goodbye. However, I am sure you will all join me in wishing him every success as he embarks in a new direction and follows his ambition of being his own boss and using his creative talents and skills more widely.

Mrs Whittleby has decided to retire at the end of this academic year and fulfil her desire to enjoy a little more, well-deserved, leisure-time and the chance to spend more time with her family and friends. Mrs Whittleby has thoroughly enjoyed working with everyone at High March and she has made a big impact in the Learning Support department and to the ways we help every girl reach her potential in the classroom.

Mrs James will be leaving at the end of the academic year to take up the post as Head of Sport and Wellbeing at Dr Challoner's. She has been an inspirational and hard-working Head of Department who has taken great care of the pupils in her charge and has taken High March confidently along the path of exciting development. She will be very much missed, but I fully support her wish to pursue her career in senior education and leadership.

Plans are already in motion to find suitable successors for these important posts and I will let you know when successful appointments are made.

Half Term Holiday 1-2-1 swimming lessons

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

There are just two places left for the 1-2-1 lessons at half term on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st at 10:00am. To book one or both of these places, email swimming@highmarch.co.uk

Save the Dates

Easter Holiday swimming courses:

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 10:30 -11:30am for squad and stronger swimmers. Further details will follow.

Summer Holiday 1-2-1 swimming courses:

Monday 20th – Friday 24th July

Monday 17th – 21st August

Monday 24th – Friday 28th August

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 all 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

Considerate Parking

There have been several photographs, sent recently by the residents of Sandelswood End, of cars parking over the driveways and thus obscuring the visibility of cars leaving their properties. Please do park with due consideration to our neighbours and other road users. Better still why not park at St Michael's Green or Waitrose and walk the short distance to School? The Crossing Patrollers are on hand between 8:00 and 9:00am to assist you across Ledborough Lane.

Touch Typing Booster Sessions

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

<https://tinyurl.com/rfrwkba>

Social Group Notices

Upper School Discos - Friday 31st January

Years 3 & 4: 5:00pm – 6:30pm / Years 5 & 6: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Don't forget to book your Disco tickets on Classlist. For Year 6, it is their last disco at High March so a great opportunity to party with their friends. For Years 3 and 4, it is the last disco party for this academic year. Our amazing photo booth is back to create some unforgettable memories to take home.

After-school clubs and after-school care on the day:

- Dance Club does go ahead but is at Junior House.
- Girls attending an after school club will be collected by a member of staff. They will have a chance to get changed and will then be taken to the disco.
- Girls attending after school care, will be able to change at after-school care. A member of staff will collect them and accompany them to the disco at Upper School. Please register for after school care if needed.

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

You are invited to a cracker of a brain teasing event. Our Quiz Night is taking place on Saturday 29th February. Doors / bar opens at 7:30 pm with a prompt start at 8:00 pm. Tickets are £20 per person with food included. There are prizes for the winning table. Places are limited so start gathering your teams and choose your team name! Table bookings will be released over the weekend on Classlist. If you don't have enough for a full table or if you are on your own, please don't be put off. Contact the Social Group and we can assign you to a table.

Save the Date

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