

Week 7 05.06.20 n March

From Mrs Gater:

Dear Parents,

It has been truly wonderful to have so many girls back at High March 'IRL' this week and to see the way with which they have adapted to yet another new way of doing things has been brilliant. They serve as a good reminder to us 'oldies' that change and flexibility are okay if approached with a childlike attitude of inquisitiveness and optimism!

The weather was on our side for the first few days, but even when things turned a little more wet and windy the spirits of our girls and staff were not dampened. Year 6 and Mrs Campbell for example, who are determined to put on a performance of *Hairspray* in some form, are throwing themselves into socially distanced rehearsals of dance routines and singing on the playground.

We are pleased that we have been able to create relatively 'normal' environments for the girls and boys to enjoy throughout the school and that our detailed planning means they are as safe as ever and as protected as possible.

For those girls who are still working from home, the return has been more straightforward and most have picked up their virtual school bags again with confidence. However, we know it's just not the same as being at school and we remain hopeful that everyone will have the chance to return, for a little time at least, before the end of term. A number of plans are afoot in anticipation of various possible scenarios.

In the coming weeks, we will let you know how your daughter will have the opportunity to meet with her new form teacher and classmates (depending on Year Group) for September. Unless all social distancing rules suddenly disappear, we plan for this to be done via Zoom calls.

Teachers are currently preparing End of Year Reports which will be sent out digitally during the first week of the Summer Holiday.

We are grateful to parents for sharing with us the responsibility for making the children's return to school as safe and happy as possible, by observing Government advice and our stringent Health and Safety requirements. Please do inform me or a member of SMT of any unusual journeys, contact or factors which might elevate any element of risk for the school community.

I do hope that your daughters and sons have enjoyed the first week back and I look forward to seeing many of them again either at school or 'At the Gate' next week.

Kind regards and good health,

Mrs Gater.

HOUSE POINTS

Daffodil 107 Rose 126 Shamrock 86 Thistle 136

Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved a Headmistress Award

| Junior House | | Upper School | |
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| 2GS | Sophia Elizabeth | 3E | Abigail |
| | Cara | 4C | Sophia |
| | Рорру | | Siri |
| | | 4W | Frederica |
| | | 5BH | Isla |
| | | | Hannah |
| | | | Sophie |
| | | | Katherine |
| | | | Juliette |
| | | 5JN | Ishani |
| | | | Jeena |
| | | | Amber |
| | | | Charlotte |
| | | | Katie |

School Notices

A message from Mrs Campbell, Head of Speech and Drama

Huge congratulations to all the girls in Years 4, 5 and 6 that took their LAMDA examinations back in March. The results are absolutely fantastic and every single one of you should feel hugely proud of what you have achieved.

I received some lovely feedback from the examiners and they expressed how much they had enjoyed their week with us at High March and how they were impressed with the conduct of the students in their examinations, not to mention the exceptionally high quality of the work. Well done to you all.

Notices

The UK Government has placed cycling at the centre of plans to get the country moving again. Cycling is recommended for daily exercise and as the best mode of transport to maintain distancing and avoid congestion for essential journeys. They want to give you something healthy, positive and fun to help you ride and encourage others to try cycling too.

They have launched Bike Month this June – they are inviting you, your family, friends and colleagues to set yourselves a goal for how much riding you want to enjoy.



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PEGI 3

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