



High March School Bulletin

Week 2 11.09.20

From Mrs Gater:

The first full week has flown by and children across the School have been brilliant at getting to grips with many new routines and procedures. There have been so many happy faces and skipping steps, although some are definitely looking forward to a rest this weekend.

Year 2 pupils likely came home with a slightly smoky aroma on Thursday afternoon after setting London alight - don't worry, it was only a recreation of the Great Fire of 1666. Conditions were perfect and the girls were delighted to see there lovingly crafted models go up in flames! Thankfully, Mrs Gray was on hand with the hosepipe – now that would have been a handy invention in the 17th century.

Thanks to parents for sharing their experiences of drop-off and pick up arrangements and thank you for being flexible as the systems adapt to the changing situation. Please could parents note that parking on the School car parks is only allowed after 4pm. This is a safety measure to mitigate the risk of injury to our pupils and their families as they cross this space to enter or leave the School. It would also be helpful if, temporarily, parents could avoid parking in the JH carpark following extracurricular swimming on a Monday and Tuesday. Previously, this has not been a worry but, due to necessary changes to pick-up from the pool, there are now far more children and parents waiting on and crossing the carpark than before making it a far riskier space. Many thanks in advance for your support with this.

Best wishes for a restful weekend and a productive week ahead.

Congratulations to the following Junior House Stars of the Week:

NC Joshua

RB Eva

RD Mia

1L Manahil

1M Amreet

2GS Holly

2HN Sienna

Congratulations to the following Upper School Stars of the Week:

3E Annabel
Sophia

3G Charlotte

4C Anna
Emily

4W Edith
Suri

5BH Josie
Eva

5MN Harper
Eloren

6G Alexa
6K Katherine

House Points

Daffodil	85	Rose	131
Shamrock	109	Thistle	114

Notices

IMPORTANT NOTICE - PARKING

If you have to drive to school please park with due consideration for our neighbours and other road users. In particular:

- Do not park over driveways, as this is inconsiderate and inconvenient to our neighbours, some of whom are current or ex High March parents.
- Do not park too close to junctions, especially near Ledborough Lane and Assheton Road junctions with Sandelswood End as this impedes the view of other drivers and places pedestrians in possible danger.
- Do not park on double yellow lines!
- Do not mount the kerb close to pedestrians including High March pupils.
- Aim to ensure that your child dismounts pavement side swiftly and not roadside in the face of oncoming traffic.
- Do not dismount yourself into the road to help with children's bags.
- Move on swiftly with care and courtesy for other pavement/ road users.
- Do not park in or use Kinellan Court as a drop off point as it is private property.
- Look at for cyclists before you open your car door.

Your consideration in these matters will be greatly appreciated by both the local community and other parents.

Park and Striding

If you are able, please do consider walking, scooting or cycling or parking a short distance from School. Ideal places to park and stride from are:

- Waitrose where there is two hours' free parking
- Grenfell Road and St Michael's Green and use the footpath to Ledborough Lane.

Upper School Drop off

When you have dropped your daughter at the gates please do not block the pavement if you are not leaving immediately.

TikTok

We have been advised that TikTok is currently experiencing problems preventing suicide videos from being displayed in its platform. Sometimes innocuous images are used, such as kittens, to entice children to view. Users of TikTok should be at least 13, however, if your child has access to this application, maybe on an adult's phone, we suggest you delete it until TikTok can resolve the situation.

All girls will be taught Cyber Safety this term and I will write to each year group when the topic is completed. In the meantime, please keep talking to your child about what they view online so you are aware of what they see. Also, we suggest that girls should be downstairs when using any device and definitely not unsupervised in their bedrooms.

Thank you very much

Mrs Halford, Head of Computing