



High March School Bulletin

Week 4 25.09.20

From Mrs Gater:

Another week completed and the children are well and truly into their stride with happiness and enthusiasm palpable throughout the school.

On Monday, Year 2 were whisked back over 350 years to enjoy a 'Great Fire of London Day'. Ordinarily this day involves a visit from the wonderful 'History Off the Page' team, but this year the technological advancements of the intervening centuries were used to enable a virtual visit. Importantly, the girls (and teachers!) did not miss out on dressing up in 17th century costume for the day.

On Wednesday in Upper School Prayers, we enjoyed a musical performance on the violin by Lucy Jones in Year 6. Lucy played with confidence and energy and the girls showed their appreciation with generous applause. A snippet can be found on Twitter. In prayers this week I spoke to the Upper School girls about the importance of being kind to ourselves as much as we are to others.

Best wishes for the week ahead.

Congratulations to the following Junior House Stars of the Week:

NC	Lara
RB	Georgia
RD	Arabella-Dollie
1L	Annelise
1M	Poppy Be
2GS	Ivy
2HN	Iris

Congratulations to the following Upper School Stars of the Week:

3E	Harmeen Madison
3G	Annabelle Kiret
4C	Elsie Juliette
4W	Daisy Freya
5BH	Mylah
5MN	Iris Ngaire
6G	Sophie
6K	Jeena Katie

House Points

Daffodil	411	Rose	498
Shamrock	486	Thistle	501

Notices

A Thank You from the STP Team

It is really pleasing to see so many of the children walking, cycling and scooting to School this term; please keep it up !

There have been fewer complaints from our neighbours over the past week about inconsiderate parking so thank you for taking note of our exhortations and keep it up!

Sustrans Bike to School Week 28th September to 2nd October

High March will be supporting this national initiative to celebrate cycling to school and the benefits of travelling actively for children.

Sustrans will provide parents with a free guide to an active and hassle free school run. Click on the link to sign up

<https://www.sustrans.org.uk/sign-up-to-receive-your-free-family-guide/>

Messages from Mrs Honiball

- Please remember that School is a nut-free zone as we do have children who are seriously allergic to nuts. Please check items that are sent in for snacks and especially treats that are sent in for Birthdays to see that they do not contain any nuts.
- Children should wear plain short white ankle socks with their Summer uniform and long blue socks or tights with their Winter uniform. If you feel your daughter needs to wear long socks to keep warm, please put her in her Winter uniform. Please do not use long white socks with Summer uniform.
- If hair is long enough to be tied up, please do tie it up with regulation hair ties.
- At School we use a very mild hand sanitiser and hand soap (Scrubbington's) which is specially formulated to be kind to children's skin. Child's Farm hand cream is also available for children to use. Please do not send in sanitising gels and creams.
- In Junior House, girls wear an open necked blouse with their Winter uniform. There are a number of girls who are wearing a shirt that is buttoned at the neck instead of the correct blouse. Please would you check that your daughter is wearing the correct uniform.

Touch Typing at half term

During half term there will be various courses to give the girls the opportunity to improve their typing skills. Letters will be sent out next week with booking details.

Thursday 22nd October - Booster sessions

High March pupils only, in the Computing Suite at US

9.00am - 10.15am - Year 2 - £20

10.30am -12.15pm – Years 3 - 6 - £25

Booster sessions will take place within Bubbles. Payment will be requested in the week starting Monday 12th October.

Remote sessions

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

9.00am - 10.30am and 10.45am - 12.15pm

Year 4 upwards including siblings and non-High March children

For children Year 6+ both morning sessions can be booked with the aim of completing the course in a week. The cost is £230.

The total cost of the week is £135 which includes the software and a colour coded keyboard. (4 days - £120)

Over the Summer I ran remote courses that were extremely successful in teaching children to type proficiently. High March children who were at Junior House have started learning to type and would be able to continue from the level they have obtained in School. Two weeks might be required for a child to completely learn to type so more courses will be run in future holidays.

Children who have already done a remote course with me can sign up for single lessons as a booster session. (Please email me if you would like to do this.) However, if your child is new to remote typing 4 or 5 days need to be booked.

It will be necessary to purchase a copy of the Englishtype software to be installed on a device, (not a Chrome book or an iPad - though it can be a Mac)

The total cost of the week is £130 which includes the software and a colour coded keyboard. (4 days - £115)

If you have any questions, please email me at jhalford@highmarch.co.uk

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