



# High March School Bulletin

Week 11 13.11.20

## From Mrs Gater:

There are often opportunities for a headmistress to feel proud of the pupils in her school and this week has certainly provided many occasions for the headmistress of High March.

It was brilliant to hear that our girls are on a winning streak on the sporting front having come out on top in their virtual swimming gala against Davenies and in the Bucks virtual Cross-Country competition meaning that they will now go forward to the regional finals should these go ahead. Well done to all involved!

On Wednesday, Remembrance Day, I was so impressed to see girls from Reception to Year 6 observing a respectful and compassionate moment or two of silence as they remembered those who fought and gave their lives in service of their country since the First World War. Two girls from Year 5 also accompanied me to the War Memorial in Beaconsfield to participate in the Act of Remembrance and lay a wreath of poppies. Many thanks to Mr Hayes who played The Last Post during Upper School prayers on Monday and Wednesday – such an evocative and poignant piece when played at this time.

And to finish the week, Head Girls – Tia and Ayla, and their super mummies, ran a fantastic Children in Need event. As you might imagine, the logistical planning needed to make this happen at the current time is huge and I am very thankful to everyone who planned and re-planned in the light of regulations to make it happen. Teddies and spots were in abundance on Thursday and Friday and much fun was enjoyed by all.

THANK YOU!

Warmest wishes for the week ahead.

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

|     |           |
|-----|-----------|
| NC  | Evelyn    |
| RB  | Eliza     |
| RD  | Amelie    |
| 1L  | Isabel    |
| 1M  | Charlotte |
| 2GS | Emily     |
| 2HN | Alice     |

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

|     |                                       |
|-----|---------------------------------------|
| 3E  | Nayna<br>Alexane<br>Elizabeth         |
| 3G  | Amberly<br>Phoebe<br>Saachi           |
| 4C  | Heidi<br>Alaina<br>Mylee<br>Madeleine |
| 4W  | Pola-Mariam                           |
| 5BH | Alice<br>Eleanor<br>Malaika           |
| 5MN | Sophia<br>Tessa                       |
| 6G  | Olivia                                |
| 6K  | Alexa<br>Elin                         |

## **House Points**

|          |     |         |     |
|----------|-----|---------|-----|
| Daffodil | 566 | Rose    | 529 |
| Shamrock | 537 | Thistle | 677 |

## Notices

### Extracurricular Swimming for the Spring Term

The extra-curricular swimming will be incorporated into the Activity Programme for next term, however renewal is still automatic. If you wish to withdraw your child from the extracurricular swimming lessons and have not already informed us please email [swimming@highmarch.co.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.co.uk) by Friday 20 November. The renewal letter will be issued, in the usual way, next week.

### Year 6 Aquatic Fit and Fun

Neil Bailey Swimming will run his Aquatic Fit and Fun session on Friday evenings from 6 -7 pm once the current lockdown is lifted. A dedicated lane coach will be running sessions aimed at good quality swimming with a twist of fun as well, away from the pressures of competitive swimming. There are 10 places available to the stronger swimmers on Year 6. Please email [swimming@highmarch.co.uk](mailto:swimming@highmarch.co.uk) if your daughter would like to join these. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

### Road Safety Week and Parking

Please do try to park away from school and walk the sort distance; Waitrose car park is a perfect location and the resurfaced footpath from St Michael's Green make this a good parking spot too. If you do find a space near school don't linger once you have collected your daughter. Please 'scatter and don't natter'!

### Aylesbury End & Station Road Resurfacing works starting 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Resurfacing work is planned from 23rd November to 10th December between the Old Town roundabout down to Station Road. There will be night-time road closure with local diversions from 23rd November for 9 nights to allow for preparation for the surface course. Daytime road closure with local diversions will be required from 7th December to the 10th December to lay the final surfacing.

### Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Beaconsfield Town Council are recruiting members of the community to join the steering group who will develop our Neighbourhood Plan for Beaconsfield. Please follow the link <https://www.beaconsfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/general/join-the-neighbourhood-plan-steering-group/> if you are interested in helping shape the future of the town.

### Birthday Card Competition

We are excited to announce the winners of our Birthday Card Competition. There were so many lovely entries and it was very difficult to choose a winner from each Year group.

We finally decided upon:

Reception: Orla  
Year 1: Primrose  
Year 2: Fatimah

They were given a small prize in prayers in recognition of their achievement.

The cards have been made up into a birthday card ready to give to all the children in Junior House near their birthday by Mrs Gater.

Thank you to all those who entered.

Mrs Gray

### No Clubs on Monday and Wednesday Next Week in Upper School

This is a reminder that there will no Upper School clubs on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November and no clubs or Swim Squads on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November due to Parents' Evenings. Early and Late Prep will still be available and should be booked using the ad-hoc booking system if required.

## Notices

### Touch Typing in the Christmas holiday

During the first few days of the Christmas holiday Mrs Halford will be running typing booster courses at Upper School. Booster sessions will take place within the school bubbles. Please use the links below to book.

Year 2 - 11:00 - 12:15

<https://tinyurl.com/y52la7cf>

Friday 11th December

Monday 14th December

Wednesday 16th December (this is an extra date, confirmation will be given nearer the time)

Year 3 and 4 - 9:00 - 10:45

<https://tinyurl.com/yxv8yn8y>

Friday 11th December

Tuesday 15th December

Year 5 and 6 - note different times

<https://tinyurl.com/y2prsedr>

Tuesday 15th December - 11:00- 12:45

Wednesday 16th December - 9:00 - 10:45

## 'Switch Off Fortnight! Photo Challenge!



Over the next fortnight the girls, led by the Eco Committee, will be looking at how to save energy in their homes and schools to help our environment.

Children will learn a little more about saving energy in assemblies. They can collect a sheet from their form class to take part in a photo challenge - attaching a photo of themselves saving energy at home to earn a sticker or house points for their Eco efforts!



### Home energy-saving tips

*Below are some tips from the '2019-20 Eco Club' about how to save energy at home.*

- Turn off lights and all electronics like computers, televisions, Alexas and Xboxes when you leave the room.
- Close windows while your heating is on and use your heating wisely.
- Choose what you are going to eat before you open the fridge door.
- Use solar chargers to charge your phone.
- Open blinds on a sunny day to let light in instead of using electric lighting, and open windows on warmer days instead of using air conditioning.
- Save hot water by taking shorter showers instead of baths or long showers.