



MARRIOTTS

# Marriotts Weekly News

*Aim high. Work hard. Be kind.*

*24<sup>th</sup> May 2019*

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Families

Students have had a very busy but very successful half term and I am sure they, like their teachers, will enjoy a well-earned rest. There is some information within this letter about term dates for next year.

I am sure you will join me in wishing Year 11 and Year 13 the best of luck with their revision and GCSE and I know that Year 10 will do brilliantly well during their work experience immediately after half term. Good luck to all students

I hope that all of you enjoy half term and we look forward to welcoming students back for their final half term a week on Monday.

Kind regards

*Ms B Honnor*  
**Headteacher**

## **Aerosol Sprays / Deodorants**

A number of our students and staff have severe allergies to various allergens, one of which being aerosol sprays. In an effort to reduce the health risk to these students, the use of deodorant sprays on the school premises needs to be limited and very carefully monitored. It would be preferable for students wishing to use deodorants after PE and Games, to use roll-on deodorants, or similar.

## **Safeguarding / Safety**

Many news stories recently in the media have focused on the increase in knife crime and criminal exploitation, also known as 'County Lines' - when gangs and organised crime networks exploit children to sell drugs. Safeguarding is a key priority in school and this term we have ensured that during assemblies, lifeskills lessons and through visiting speakers we have provided the students with valuable information involving keeping safe. Please reinforce these messages at home and encourage your child to keep themselves safe by letting you know where they are, who they are with and what time they will be home.

## **Bikes**

We would like to advise you that if your child is cycling to school they are wearing a helmet, and that you discuss bike safety with them.

## **3rd June**

The first Monday back, after half term, we have representatives from the Navy visiting the school working with a number of Year 9 students doing some team building exercises.

## **Pathfinder Day – Trip to the University of Hertfordshire**

On Thursday, staff and students in Year 9 went to visit the University of Hertfordshire for a Pathfinder Day. The students were given a tour of the University along with some team building activities and also a valuable talk though student finance and how higher education can improve your career pathway. The students were engaged and excited, and the staff at the University were delighted with their high aspirations.

## **Work Experience**

Good luck to all the Year 10 students who are out on Work Experience. Have a good time and most of all, enjoy it. Please note that unless a student has booked a place with a member of staff in Marriotts no Year 10 students are to be on site at anytime during Work Experience week.

## Word of the Week

As part of the school's drive to advance the reading skills of every student we are focusing on broadening vocabulary by teaching key academic words explicitly in class. To support this, we have introduced a 'Word of the Week' (WOW) that features key, high-frequency words used by all faculties across the school. The aim is to use these words as much as possible to ensure that the precise meaning is embedded to allow students to use these words accurately in academic writing and talk in their subjects.

Please support your child and the school by using this word at home and challenging your child to use it accurately.

The WOW for w/c Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June is: conclude

1. As an adjective: to bring or come to an end.

*e.g. I concluded my speech with rhetorical question.*

2. As a verb: to arrive at a judgement or opinion by reasoning.

*e.g. From your expression, I can conclude you are very happy*

## Rewards and Recognition

Teachers regularly issue Achievement Points to students who are **Aiming High, Working Hard or Being Kind.**

Rewards and recognition of achievement are given out through Achievement Points, which are given each week we would like to congratulate the following students who have received Green slips.

## Green Slips

We would like to congratulate the following students who have received a Green Slip up to 24<sup>th</sup> May.

|         |    |          |    |        |    |             |     |
|---------|----|----------|----|--------|----|-------------|-----|
| Melisa  | 7C | Kate     | 8A | Millie | 9A | Justin      | 10B |
| William | 7C | Archie   | 8A | Bailey | 9C | Christopher | 10C |
|         |    | Darcy    | 8C | Jayden | 9E | Karen       | 10C |
|         |    | Tre      | 8D | Pali   | 9E | Alfie       | 10D |
|         |    | Waasil   | 8E |        |    | Charlie     | 10E |
|         |    | Neath    | 8E |        |    | Freddie     | 10E |
|         |    | Jake     | 8E |        |    | George      | 10F |
|         |    | Michael  | 8F |        |    | Matthew     | 10G |
|         |    | Shelby   | 8F |        |    | Alfie       | 10G |
|         |    | Elena    | 8F |        |    | Callum      | 10H |
|         |    | Sophia   | 8H |        |    | Daniel      | 10H |
|         |    | Janay    | 8H |        |    | Felicia     | 10H |
|         |    | Max      | 8H |        |    | Ben         | 10F |
|         |    | Beau     | 8H |        |    |             |     |
|         |    | Shirley  | 8H |        |    |             |     |
|         |    | Luka     | 8H |        |    |             |     |
|         |    | Georgia  | 8D |        |    |             |     |
|         |    | Sophie   | 8B |        |    |             |     |
|         |    | Ashleigh | 8F |        |    |             |     |

## Yellow Slips

In addition, each week Conduct Points are analysed (Achievement Points minus Behaviour Points) and Yellow Slips and rewards awarded to the students in each year group. We would like to congratulate the following students who have received a Yellow Slip up to 17<sup>th</sup> May.

|        |    |        |    |     |     |
|--------|----|--------|----|-----|-----|
| Callum | 8C | Bailey | 9E | Leo | 10E |
|--------|----|--------|----|-----|-----|

|         |    |        |    |         |     |
|---------|----|--------|----|---------|-----|
| Honey   | 8C | Amelia | 9H | Alesio  | 10A |
| Toby    | 8C | Phoebe | 9E | Felicia | 10H |
| Amy     | 8C | Elise  | 9E | George  | 10C |
| Tyreece | 8C | Emily  | 9E | Tegan   | 10F |
| Darcy   | 8C | Lucy   | 9D | Ellen   | 10F |
| Elliyca | 8C | Samuel | 9E | Taylor  | 10B |
| Keenan  | 8C | Stacey | 9E | Shannon | 10C |
| Kaiden  | 8C | Mia    | 9G | Thomas  | 10D |
| Charlie | 8C | Sophie | 9H | Joshua  | 10B |

# StevenageDAY

Stevenage Day this year is to be held on King George V playing field in the town centre on Sunday 9th June, 12 noon - 5pm.

We would like to encourage you and your families to go along and support students from Marriotts and other schools taking part in this fantastic free family event.

## **Dates for your Diary 2018/19**

**Half term holiday:** Monday 27 May 2019 – Friday 31 May 2019

Monday 3 – Friday 7 June – Year 10 Work Experience

Thursday 20 June – Year 9 Parents' Evening

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day

Thursday 4 July – Year 11 Prom, Knebworth Barns

Monday 8 July – Year 6 Transition Evening, 6-8pm

Thursday 11 July – Year 6 Transition Day

Monday 15 July – Presentation Evening, 6-8pm

Friday 19 July – last day of term

**Harmony Camp:** 29<sup>th</sup> July – 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

## **School Term Dates 2019/2020**

Monday 2nd September 2019 – Inset Day 1

Tuesday 3rd September 2019 – Year 7 and Year 12 Induction from 11am

Wednesday 4th September 2019 – Whole school at normal time

Tuesday 1st October 2019 – Open Evening

October 28th- 31st 2019 – October half term

Friday 29th November 2019 – Occasional Day

Friday 20th December – 3rd January 2020 – Christmas Break

February 17th – 21st 2020 – February Half Term

April 6th – 17th 2020 – Easter Break

May 25th – 29th 2020 – May half term

Friday 17th July 2020 – Last Day of the 2019/2020 term

A full calendar along with inset days, parent consultation evenings etc. will be available on the website by next half term

# FOOTBALLERS WANTED!



For the new season (starting September 2019), Hitchin Belles FC are looking for eager footballers to join our all girl teams at Under 14s level. We are an FA Charter Standard club with FA qualified coaching staff.

Hitchin Belles provide a safe, caring and structured environment, where girls are able to develop their footballing skills, make new friends for life and participate in a sport that they love!

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