



MARLING SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Message from the Principal

28 November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Time has flown by, and as we approach December next week, I want to remind everyone that we still have three weeks left in the term. I am encouraging both staff and students to maintain high standards and stay committed to teaching and learning.

In addition to our academic efforts, we have several extracurricular activities coming up. Students returning from the Barcelona trip will be back this Saturday, and next week, another group will depart for Switzerland to visit CERN. We also have House Rugby (weather permitting) and a visit from Blue Caterpillar, who will be working with Year 11 students and their parents on crucial GCSE exam preparation.

As the weather turns colder, please ensure appropriate outerwear is worn.

A reminder that we have an INSET day tomorrow, 29th November. I look forward to welcoming our students back on Monday, focused and ready to learn.

Best wishes,

Jules Godfrey



Key Dates: Week Commencing 2 December
REMINDER: Tomorrow is an INSET Day

- Mon 2 Y10 House Rugby Periods 1-3
- Tue 3 Y8 House Rugby Periods 1-3
Y12 & 13 CERN Trip Departs
- Wed 4 Y11 House Rugby Periods 1-3
Rugby 1st XV v Farmors at Marling
2:30pm kick off
Y9 v KLB EDF 1/4 Final at Marling
2:30pm kick off
Netball v St Peters at Marling
2:30pm Tip Off
- Thu 5 Y7 House Rugby
Y8 EFG Parents Evening (Virtual)
Blue Caterpillar Revision Evening
for Y11 Parents 5pm
- Fri 6 Y9 House Rugby
Y12/13 Biology Lectures



WorldWide Quiz

Last night, seven students (Alex, Elian, Seb, Barney, George, Aaron and Monty) from Years 8 and 9 represented our school at the Gloucestershire Geographical Association Worldwide Quiz, held at Dean Close School. Our students performed admirably, competing against teams from Pates, Denmark Road, Cheltenham Ladies College, Bourneside, and other local schools.

Out of 22 teams, our boys secured respectable 6th, 12th, and 13th places. Despite facing some Year 10 teams, they embodied the Marling ethos and represented the school with pride.



Dissection Club and Eco Club Updates

Year 12 biologists enjoyed their first Dissection Club session, dissecting frogs and discovering fascinating structures like the 'fat bodies.' Next session, they will dissect ox hearts. The club aims to enhance students' anatomical knowledge and dissection skills.

We are also excited to announce the new Eco Club, led by Mr. Waterfield. The club has had an enthusiastic start, with students proposing innovative ideas to make our school more eco-friendly. Their first project is to rehabilitate a patch of land near the Science building into a sustainable area. Stay tuned for updates!

Details of all lunchtime or after-school clubs can be found on the school [website](#).

Senior Kangaroo Maths Challenge

Last week, Gerhard and Jack (Year 12), along with Billy and Arjun (Year 13), participated in the prestigious Senior Kangaroo Maths Challenge. This opportunity came after they earned the 'Gold Award' in the Senior Maths Challenge in October. Their participation in the Senior Kangaroo is a remarkable accomplishment, showcasing their exceptional mathematical talents and dedication.

Tickets for the Christmas Carol Concert are now available on ParentPay! We hope you can join us!



Charity Fundraising

We are incredibly grateful to our school community for their generous contributions to our recent fundraising efforts. Thanks to your support, we raised £125 for the Shoebox Appeal, £378.50 for Children In Need, and £378.50 for the Red Cross.

Your donations will make a significant difference and help those in need. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

Sports Update

With tomorrow being an INSET day and fixtures scheduled for later today, we don't have any results to share just yet. However, we can tell you that the Marling Year 7 A & B and Year 8 Rugby teams are playing against Holmleigh Park today. We wish them the best of luck! Additionally, on Sunday 1 December, the County Cross Country Championships will be held at Newent School.

Marling School
Christmas
Carol Service

Thursday 12th December 2024
6pm

St Laurence Church
Stroud, GL5 1JL