



The VOICE

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This July's edition of 'The Voice' gives me the opportunity to reflect on the last twelve months, something I did very recently in my speech at our excellent Celebration of Success evening on the 13th July. The event was attended by all our prize winners, their parents and carers, the Lady Mayoress Jocelyn Towns, the Deputy Mayor Chris Funnell as well as many representatives of local organisations. Also, in attendance was Mrs Gerylwn Wilson who, unfortunately, missed out on her final Celebration of Success last year because of a broken ankle. This year she was given the rousing round of applause she should have received last year for her outstanding 13 years of service as Headteacher of Great Marlow School.

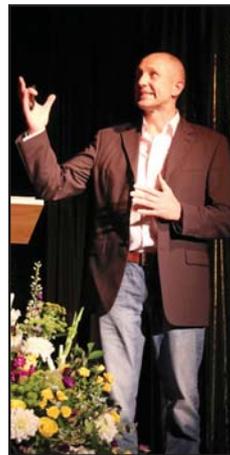
IMPORTANT DATES

End of Summer Term -
Wednesday 19th July

Start of Autumn
Term - Wednesday 6th
September- All years

GMS Open Evening - Thursday
28th September 5pm

Please note all our important dates and events, including Parents' Evenings and Examination Timetables, are available on the website and are regularly updated.



The guest speaker for the evening was Mr Mac Mackenney former member of the army and the Royal Air Force, and now an adventurer who specialises in planning, training, equipping, supporting and leading teams on expeditions throughout the world. Mac enthralled and inspired the audience in equal measure with his stories of expeditions to the hottest, coldest and remotest parts of the Earth.

I highlighted in my speech that last year's examination results came under very close scrutiny during the recent visit from Ofsted in May, this data along with all the information we collate on the progress of students in all year groups contributed to the fantastic Ofsted report. The feedback recognised that we, as a school, provide a high quality education for every student, regardless of ability or circumstance. That our caring and stimulating ethos enabled

students to make strong progress and achieve well. In addition, the students' kind, respectful behaviour showed how proud of their school they were. All this we already knew, but it was gratifying to have it confirmed.

The overriding memory of the inspection for me was the overwhelmingly supportive feedback received from our parents and carers, which prompted the very experienced lead inspector to say it was the 'best she had ever seen.' The Ofsted report was important to us a school but the feedback of our parents and carers mattered more!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank every member of the school staff for their continued hard work, passion and enthusiasm. I would particularly like to thank all those members of staff, who through their discretionary effort really did go the extra mile for this school and its students. In every single subject and department, teachers have grown in strength; their dedication and



Don't forget to view the online gallery for photographs relating to many of the articles in this newsletter.



commitment is reflected in the passion they show for their own continuing professional development, because, just like our students, great teachers never stop learning. We are constantly striving to further develop this high quality learning environment so that it inspires students, staff and the community to be compassionate, successful and resilient contributors to a better society.

The compassion of our students has been clear to see through the charity work undertaken this year. We have raised over £15,000 for a wide array of local, national and international charities including, the homeless in Wycombe; the One Can Trust; The Salvation Army; and Walser's Tanzania Charity supporting the education of children in a school far away.

Over the course of the year, opportunities have been made available to every student to further develop their ambition and aspiration through extra-curricular educational activities, visits and trips: more than in any other year to date. Last August, two very lucky students and one teacher visited Space

Camp, Alabama in the USA in partnership with Northrop Grumman, who also brought two rocket scientists, only this week, to GMS to talk to Year 7 students and local primary school pupils about the James Webb Space Telescope to be launched next year to replace the 'Hubble' telescope.

This academic year students and staff have visited, explored and experienced the battle fields at Ypres; culturally diverse cities at home and abroad; areas of outstanding natural beauty; galleries, theatres, exhibitions and universities. The Duke of Edinburgh Award continued to thrive with its obligatory, challenging, yet memorable camping trips. Other outdoor adventurous activities included sailing, climbing and archery.

In school we have organised, developed and hosted a plethora of academic and cultural events, including business events, fashion shows, hat shows and the outstanding performing arts productions of Grease and Romeo and Juliet. The quality of music performances in the school continues to grow with the Christmas and summer concerts becoming key features on the calendar.

Sport at GMS is an integral part of the school. The breadth of sports played and the quality of performances is developing year on year. The Sports Awards Evening and the Rowing Awards Dinner at the Crowne Plaza, had a combined attendance of almost 600 people. A true testament to the strength of sport at this school.

In September, we move into our incredible new building that houses eight new classrooms, a new reception, and

new administration areas. This follows hotly on the heels of the new drama studio and two new classrooms recently opened in the new block situated between English and science. Further building work continues throughout the summer and the first half of next year to increase the width of corridors and circulation spaces, but most importantly to double the size of the dining facility in the school.

At the end of an academic year it is traditional to say goodbye to colleagues who are leaving the school. This year a number of very experienced staff are retiring after 127 collective years' service to the school. I thank Mrs Kydd, Mrs Phillips, Mr Sarsfield, Mr Todd, Mrs Watterston and Mrs Wint for their contribution to the school, in their own individual way and collectively they have been incredibly significant.



Also, leaving the school at the end of this year is Mr Lindt, who wishes to develop his business interests; Mr Jacobs who, after three excellent years in the Geography Department, is returning to South Africa; and Miss Towe, who is leaving to become Head of Physical Education at St Michael's School in High Wycombe.

In addition, I would also like to publicly thank the governors and particularly our Chair of Governors, Ms Sally Brooks. They all give time very willingly to support and challenge, enabling GMS to improve even further.

Finally, I thank you the parents and carers, who week in and week out support us and your children with unwavering commitment.

To our students I say, 'Please have a very enjoyable summer break.'

School resumes for students on Wednesday 6th September at 8.35.

**Kind Regards
Kevin Ford
Headteacher**

GMS Art Department Hat Show 2017

Once more GMS Art Department has held its annual Hat show, celebrating the successes of all Year 8 pupils' work over the Summer term.

For each group involved, it has been 14 long, arduous weeks of collaborative designing, constructing and decorating a hat based on one of 6 categories. Many lunchtime and afterschool sessions have been filled as classrooms teemed with groups excitedly gluing, papier mâché and painting, and the standard of finished products was, as it is every year, extraordinary. Students and teachers alike were astounded by some of the outcomes from this cohort, including giant flower pots, Mad Hatter's tea party top hats, unicorns, dragons and mythical creatures alike, and even a giant subway meal deal! Beginning with just a moodboard and a pencil, students were set the task of creating a design solely from scratch - something which would challenge even the most experienced of modellers.

Closely observing colours, measurements, nets and design, students then constructed their ideas using an array of materials, including cardboard, PVA glue, staple guns, newspaper and paint (with the odd dash of glitter here and there to really add those finishing touches.)

When the day of the show arrived, Year 8 groups separated into models, dressed and armed with their headresses, and audience members, ready to support their fellow peers amongst GMS staff and parents. Performing to varied music, and under the colourful set lights of the school hall, students sashayed their way down the catwalk to the sound of cheers and applause from the rest of Year 8. Contestants awaited the results nervously, and winners, chosen based on their effort, skill, design and construction techniques and teamwork, were announced and awarded with prizes to congratulate their efforts in this project.

Pictures of the winning hats, along with stills from the show, can be viewed in our online gallery.

By Miss K Hunt



Art & Design

Year 10 visit the BP Portrait awards at the National Portrait Gallery

On Thursday 6th July Miss Reilly and I took fifty of our Year 10 Artists to visit the BP portrait Award, we make this trip every July to mark the beginning of the Portraits coursework project.

Usually, however we tie in a visit to the National Gallery. This year we decided to focus our attention on the quality rather than the quantity. So, instead we booked a lecture talk about the origins and background of some of the paintings exhibited in this year's portrait award. A lecturer from the Slade School of Art gave a very insightful and interactive talk about the exhibition right back to when the exhibition began in 1987.

The students had a wonderful experience looking and sketching the various artworks in both the BP Portrait Award and in the permanent exhibitions and lunching in sun sat in Trafalgar Square.

The students will use their research to help them give context to their own portraits in the coming months.

As always an incredibly busy term in the Art Department!

This term we have overseen the GCSE and A-Level exams, internally assessed every piece of coursework and exam project, been moderated by AQA, taken fifty Year 10 students to The National Portrait Gallery and hosted a spectacular Fashion Headdress show.

The outcomes from our students in Art & Design progress to new heights with every academic year, so I would like to congratulate the students for all their hard work and creativity, with every success inspiring another.



**By Mrs E Sillwood
Head of Art & Design**

Great Marlow School General Election

On Tuesday 6th June Great Marlow students had the opportunity to vote in our own general Election. During registration information about the main parties manifesto's and ballot papers were given out. All year groups except Yr13 & 11 (due to exams) voted.

Voting turnout was very good with only a few ballot papers spoilt.

	CONS	GREEN	LAB	L.DEM	UKIP
YR 7	77	35	55	8	19
YR 8	72	48	53	21	9
YR 9	49	43	36	14	16
YR 10	65	25	41	10	8
YR12	24	5	25	2	3
Overall	287 1st	156 3rd	210 2nd	55 4th=	55 4th=

By Mr P Vincent (Head of Citizenship)



SAS welcomes year 9 &10 students

As part of Tech Week 2017, 19 year 9 and 10 students became business analysts for the day at SAS. The trip was part of an initiative aiming to drive the next generation's interest in studying STEM (science, technology, engineering, maths) subjects and joining the Tech industry. Students got to meet the experts from all parts of the business, enjoy some corporate hospitality and toured the extensive grounds that include a golf course, 5-a-side pitch and games room. Students then got the unique opportunity to take on the role of business analysts and solve a real life business problem using SAS Visual Analytics. They presented their solutions back to the group and 7 members of the SAS team judged the winning pitch. The standard was high and a huge congratulation goes to Helen Windsor, Fiona Pullman, Joe Bedford and Jozef Batterberry who made up the winning team.

By Dr L Brock

Science
WEBB TELESCOPES POWER AMAZES AUDIENCE

Top scientists from the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) Programme visited Great Marlow School on 11th July and spoke to a packed audience.

The Year 7 students from Great Marlow School along with primary pupils from Foxes Piece School and Danesfield School were treated to an inspiring and enthralling presentation from two of the leading Scientists from JWST Programme.

The Webb Telescope is the world's next-generation space observatory and successor to the Hubble Space Telescope. The most powerful space telescope ever built, the Webb Telescope will observe distant objects in the universe, provide images of the first galaxies formed and see unexplored planets around distant stars. The Webb Telescope is a joint project of NASA, the European Space Agency and the Canadian Space Agency.

The telescope is 100 times more powerful than the Hubble Space Telescope. The JWST will be launched in late 2018, the documentary showed how Webb will reveal a universe we have never seen before: it is poised to answer questions such as, how did the universe make its first stars and galaxies?

We would like to pay particular thanks to Gillian Arnott, Simon Cooper and Carleen Beste at Northrop Grumman for their organisation and support with the visit to Great Marlow School.

Northrop Grumman is under contract to NASA's Goddard Space Flight Centre for JWST and leads the industry team that designs and develops the telescope, its sunshield and spacecraft.

GCSE GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP TO SWANAGE

We left, not too early, on Friday 30th June at 9am and arrived in Swanage after lunch. After unpacking our bags we walked to Peveril Point headland. Here we were told about the geology of Swanage bay and of Ballard Down. We carried out our first fieldwork method by drawing a field sketch of our surroundings. After this we walked down to Swanage beach for some free time where we could buy ice creams and sit on the beach.



On Saturday we were out in the field all day, walking first to Swanage beach to carry out a beach profile and sediment classification. We studied the different coastal management methods being used and assessed how well they were working. We then walked along the coastal path and up onto Ballard Down, having lunch on top of the headland. After this we walked to see Old Harry's rock, a famous sea stack. The weather and landscape were incredible and we were very lucky to see it in such great conditions.



On our last morning, we walked again up to Peveril Point headland where we carried out a cost-benefit analysis to see which of 4 locations would be best suited for a wind farm. We looked at both physical and human factors when making this decision. After this we walked back down to Swanage beach for the last time and had free time to enjoy the beach again before we were picked up by our coaches and brought home. We all had a fantastic, but tiring, time in Swanage.

By Mr P Warner

A selection of the brilliant castle creations can be viewed in the gallery on the school website



English
CARNEGIE SHADOWING GROUP

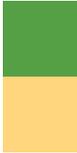
This year's eight shortlisted novels gave the reading group plenty to discuss: was Life according to Sputnik really aimed at their age group? Should Beck have ever been finished by a different author? How long did it take to work out the characters in Salt to the Sea and will Mrs Sudd ever finish Railhead?

Just prior to the announcement of the winner, GMS visited Borlase to catch up with their shadowing group and find out their thoughts. We all spent the afternoon creatively designing new book covers for all of the shortlisted novels, which were judged by SWBGS Head of English. This allowed just enough time to eat some rather inventive cakes which were also based on the stories.

This year's winner was a popular favourite with everyone who had read it – Salt to the Sea by Ruth Sepetys. The story is a fictionalised account of the worst maritime disaster in history – the sinking of the Wilhelm Gustloff in 1945 where 9,000 people, mainly refugees, drowned.

All of the Carnegie shortlisted books are in the GMS library for all students to borrow.

By Mrs C Sudd



History
Year 7 Castle Competition

Enthusiasm, effort and outstanding entries all played a part in this year's History Department Castle competition. Many different materials had been used to construct a variety of castles: cardboard, wood, oasis, lollypop sticks, plastic bags, tin foil, mint matchmakers and Simpsons mini figures to name but a few!

The attention to detail really reflected the students' knowledge of different types of castle. There was a very accurate model of Carnarvon Castle; another included tiny heads on spikes at its entrance to ward away its enemies. Many had moving parts, such as drawbridges that could be lifted or lowered and others had animals, churches, boats and painted interiors.

History staff spent an enjoyable lunchtime picking favourites and marvelling at the flag designs, stonework made out of icing and sheer ingenuity of a bailey made out of toffee cake. The staff were asked to select a top ten, from which the top three would then be chosen, but the winners had to be picked out of a top seventeen!

1st Prize – Weronika Naks

2nd Prize – Camden Taylor

3rd Prize – Ole Myerson

Best Cake – Tilly Beaulieu and Katie Hardy

Head Teacher Award – Ashlea Cherrington

Director of Learning Award – Jack Trigwell.

Well done to all of the year 7 students who entered the competition and huge congratulations to the winners.

By Mrs C Sudd



Many Congratulations to all the winners at our recent awards evening.

SCIENCE KS3	Jack Leighton	8L
SCIENCE KS4	Georgie Webb	10R
SCIENCE KS5	Andrew Nelson	12R
PSYCHOLOGY	Kieran Sparkes	12A
MATHS KS3	Nitya Adapa	9O
MATHS KS4	Isobel Stewart	10L
MATHS KS5	Andrew Nelson	12R
STATISTICS KS4	Helen Windsor	10G
STATISTICS KS5	Sam Shaw	12A
ENGLISH KS3	Amelia Jones	9T
ENGLISH KS4	Toby Holden	10M
ENGLISH KS5	Amy Tope	12W
EPQ KS5	Maia Kipping	13O
ART KS3	Isabel Munger-Styles	9G
ART KS4	Matilde Binucci	11T
ART KS5	Emily Russell	12W
DRAMA KS3	Tommy Parker	9A
DRAMA KS4	Jacob Wratten	10L
DRAMA KS5	Areeba Butt	12T
MEDIA KS4	Jessamy Wright	10M
MEDIA KS5	Samuel Davies	12A
MUSIC KS3	Aïla Hollows-Butwell	8W
MUSIC KS4	Michael Webb	10L
MUSIC KS5	Jamie-Jack Westfold	12L
PE KS3	Dean Whiteley	9M
PE KS4	Sophie Smyth	10G
PE KS5	Alex Moss	13G
FOOD TECH KS3	Ella Hunter	9G
FOOD TECH KS4	Tanika Small	11T
RESISTANT MATERIALS	Dean Whiteley	9M
RESISTANT MATERIALS	Robert Petrea	10G
GRAPHIC DESIGN KS3	Natasha Stewart	9G
GRAPHIC DESIGN KS5	Chloe Gosnell	10G
GRAPHIC PRODUCTS KS5	Eddie Allen	12M
TEXTILES KS3	Ellie Braint	9R
TEXTILES KS4	Molly Simmonds	10T
TEXTILES KS5	Hannah Hodgson	12O
FRENCH KS3	Anna Lewis	9W
FRENCH KS4	Sam Parry	10T
FRENCH KS5	Sean Phillips	12A
SPANISH KS3	Jack Britnell	9M

SPANISH KS4	Robert Petrea	10G
SPANISH KS5	Lauren Walker	12L
HISTORY KS3	Abbie Savory	7T
HISTORY KS4	Toby Holden	10M
HISTORY KS5	Sean Phillips	12A
CLASSICS	Jake Holden	13L
POLITICS KS5	Sean Phillips	12A
LAW	Natasha Akram	12W
GEOGRAPHY KS3	Amelia Jones	9T
GEOGRAPHY 4	Zainab Lakda	10O
GEOGRAPHY KS5	Lucy Ashburner	12M
RS KS3	Aysha Jahangir	8T
RS KS4	Ursalaan Shah	10W
CHILD DEVELOPMENT KS4	Scarlett Richardson	10O
CHILD DEVELOPMENT KS5	Anika Mahroof	14O
Computing KS3	Ryan Coare	7A
Computing KS4	Fiona Trew	10M
Computing KS5	Jake Cornwell	12M
BUSINESS KS 4	Toby Holden	10M
BUSINESS KS5	Amy Pyle	12R
TRAVEL & TOURISM	Elly Nixon	13L
ASDAN KS4	Charlie Vaughan	11R
CITIZENSHIP KS3	Amelia Jones	9T
CITIZENSHIP KS4/5	Joe Bedford	10R
DEVELOPMENT IN LEARNING KS3	Jack Leighton	8L
DEVELOPMENT IN LEARNING KS4	Joel Langford	10M
YR 7	Sam Chaplin	7W
Yr 8	Maddison Williams	8R
Yr 9	Natasha Stewart	9G
Yr 10	Harley Stevens	10T
Yr 11	Louisa Glen-Bramley	11L
Yr 12	Shannon Darroch	12G
Yr 13	Alex Elliott	13T
GREAT MARLOW SCHOOL'S SPECIAL AWARDS		
ATTENDANCE	Harry Sutton	11A
CLAIRE COXWELL (CUP)	Antonio Degiorgio-Batten	11W
THE JOHN SPINK MEMORIAL PRIZE	Kasib Yasin	11R
CHRIS HOWELLS	Toby Lassen	10L
HEAD BOY	Max Boreham	12A
HEAD GIRL	Stephanie Howey	12R
BEST POTENTIAL CITIZENS	Zoe Stout Megan James	12T 12A
THE JIM CAMPBELL AWARD	Mrs Kydd-Sinclair, Mrs Watterston, Mrs Wint, Mrs Philips, Mr Sarsfield, Mr Todd	

YEAR 7 NEWS

What a fantastic year! I can't believe it has gone so quickly!

Our Year 7 students are developing into wonderful young adults and I have thoroughly enjoyed watching them grow this year.

CASTLE COMPETITION

The History Department have once again inspired Year 7 to be creative and build incredible structures of castles. The thought and effort put into making these was outstanding. There were heads on spikes, a sand castle, castle cakes and much more!

Congratulations to the winners;

- 1st Prize - Weronika Naks
- 2nd Prize - Camden Taylor
- 3rd Prize - Ole Myerson



- Best Cake - Tilly Beaulieu and Katie Hardy
- Head Teacher Award - Ashlea Cherrington
- Director of Learning Award - Jack Trigwell



NORTHROP GRUMMAN

Year 7 had the incredible opportunity of meeting telescope engineers from Northrop Grumman. The company are responsible for helping to build many technologies used by NASA and came to show students their new telescope that will replace the famous Hubble telescope.



Students were able to gain an understanding of the various jobs within the industry, see how science has evolved over the last 30 years and feel inspired to learn more about space. Next stop Mars!

FORM TIME VIDEOS

This term students faced the task of creating a music video of some of my favourite songs. Students have shown excellent team work, creativity and resourcefulness in making these videos. I look forward to announcing the winner of the competition on the last day of term.

I shall very much miss Year 7 and wish them the very best of luck as they continue their journey to year 8. I know Miss Hunt is very much looking forward to another fabulous year!

By Miss Clare King
Director of Learning Year 7

ATTENDANCE FOR THE SPRING TERM

Overall attendance for the year group:

- 7G 96.7%
- 7T 94.9%
- 7M 93.1%
- 7A 95.1%
- 7R 95.8%
- 7L 92.9%
- 7O 94.6%
- 7W 95.4%

"Congratulations to 7G for being top of the list for a second term!"



YEAR 7 SPRING CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to those students who received certificates last term for their effort and progress made in their lessons.

SUBJECT	EFF	PROG	MERIT
ART	Elliot Kerley	Coco Jones	Aiden Grice
CZ	Oliver Spence	Jamie Bristow	Evie Highgate
DRAMA	Harley Townsend	Tahlia Monaghan	Maggie Bogie
ENGLISH	Rachel Battersby	Rupert Barton	Omri Feldberg
FRENCH	Sophie Towersey	Alex Taylor	Kiera Allen
GEOGRAPHY	Olivia Chillingworth	Connor Nevill	Martin Bignall
HISTORY	Jonathan Yarwood	Ryan Coare	Oliver Webb
COMPUTING	Lola l'Anson	Noah Munger-Styles	Gabriele Paliulyte
MATHS	Sam Gillen	Harley Townsend	Joshua Dudley-Holt
MUSIC	Bonnie Clarke	Liam Vass	McKenzie Price
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Tilda Beaulieu	Mollee Westfield	Noah Grottrup
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	Gabriele Paliulyte	Ryley Bowler	Umam Khurram
SCIENCE	Rocco Di Monda	Isaac Cook	Coco Jones
SPANISH	Charlie Brooks	Dillon Gibson	Joshua Dudley- Holt
TEXTILES	Holly Miller	Kaydence Clark	Olivia Chillingworth
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	Morgan Joyce	Ben Coles	Kiera Allen
RM	Michelle Thorne	Alba Braybrooke	Junaid Rana
GRAPHICS	Teah North	Jack Davies	Chloe Britnell
DEVELOPMENT IN LEARNING	Jack Clark	Ryan Coare	



YEAR 8 NEWS

I can't believe we have reached the end of this academic year already. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with this cohort, indeed it has been a great pleasure.

Credit must be paid to the way the students participated in fund raising for the Tanzania charity. Helping those less fortunate is important in this fast-paced society in which we live, and the Year 8s were fantastic in the way they organised the charity week. I am also really pleased with the way they involved themselves enthusiastically in the trips that were organised for them: participation is very important.

PHASELS WOOD

On Friday 30th June, 189 students, attended by 10 teachers and five sixth formers went to Phasels Wood for the day.

Many months of planning came together to make this day memorable for one and all.

The students participated in activities as wide ranging as climbing and land zorbing. Whatever the activity undertaken, it was challenging while being fun to do.

As always, the behaviour of the students was exemplary: they were a credit to themselves, their families and the school: when instructors give positive feedback, it is valued as a great compliment, so well done to everyone involved.

At the end of the day, everyone arrived back tired yet invigorated, bursting with stories and memories. Only Mr Ross's memories are tarnished a little by the negative effects of sun stroke, occurring because the day was unexpectedly hot.

GMS thank the team who organised this outward-bound experience and for those who accompanied the children to Phasels Wood; we appreciate the work that goes on behind the scenes to make such experiences for students take place safely and seamlessly.

YEAR 8 SPRING CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the students below, who received certificates at the Easter Assembly.

SUBJECT	EFF	PROG	MERIT
ART	EVIE FRYER		BROOKE GOSNELL
CZ	MARTHA BLAKE	JACK LEIGHTON	TIA HOLLINGSWORTH
DRAMA	OLIVER STONE	ADAM HANCOX	BEN COLLINS
ENGLISH	ABI ROUTLEDGE	JACK LEIGHTON	
FRENCH	FRANCESCA HARPER	GEORGIA BILL	IMOGEN SPOONER
GEOGRAPHY	FREYA HARDING	LEON PISANI	LUKE SPEIGHT
HISTORY	RANIYA AMJAD	FINLAY MURTON	TARYN LINDSAY
COMPUTING SCIENCE	NATALIE BECKETT	JOE GRAY	AIDEN KELLY
MATHS	CODY MCARTHY	THOMAS WHEATLEY	MUHAMMAD- ALI SHAH
PHYSICAL EDUCATION		FRIDA LAURVIGEN	REBECCA WINTER
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	TIA HOLLINGSWORTH	ANIA AMJAD	MARTHA BLAKE
SCIENCE	HAYLEY BUTLER	MARTHA BLAKE	ROMEO CORREIA
SPANISH	KELLY LONGSTAFF	KATIE RUSSELL	JOSEPH RILEY
TEXTILES	LUKE APPLETON	FRANCESCA HARPER	IMOGEN SPOONER
GRAPHICS	ISSABELLE TALBOT	EVIE FRYER	FREDDIE GRANT
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	MALACHI HALL	NIAMH CREIGHTON	MACEY LARKIN
RM	PERTER MCCALL	SEJAL RANIA	MARTA PAJOR
LEARNING SUPPORT	JACK LEIGHTON	AXEL SUTCLIFFE KNOX	

PARENTS' AND CARERS' ASSEMBLY

On 11th July, a very positive Parents' and Carers' Assembly took place. Students presented aspects of the all the activities undertaken this year. I am incredibly proud of all those who participated: speaking to adults in this type of forum takes courage and confidence. I also appreciate the high turnout of parents and carers who came to this event. It was one of the highlights of my year.

YEAR 8 ATTENDANCE

Our attendance is amazing: I am so proud of the students who attend no matter what.

Well Done!

TOTAL: 96.5%

8G	96.3	8R	96
8T	97	8L	98.3
8M	97.5	8W	98.3
8A	93.3		96.7

ROMEO AND JULIET

This production was a year in the making but proved to be hugely rewarding for all involved. The play was performed to a packed hall and was enjoyed by actors and audience alike. Every aspect of the performance was undertaken by a KS3 students. This included back stage, technical, selling programmes and front of house. A production is not just about the acting it is about being involved and learning from the experience.

I am so proud of every student for the part they played and, I admit, I did shed a little tear on stage despite pretending it was hay fever!

Thanks must be sent to the production team who spent much time with the characters, encouraging, them on even when the going was tough.

NEXT YEAR

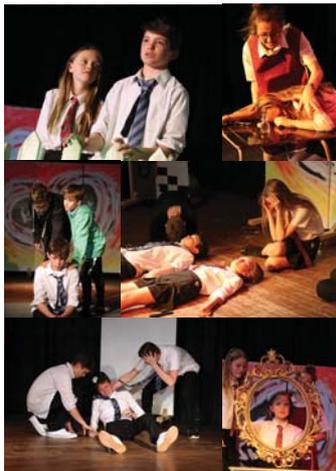
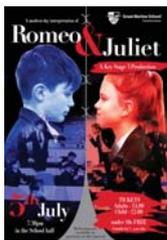
As you know, I will have the tremendous honour of continuing with this year group. I can promise you I am excited about the prospect. Already I have many ideas to make it another successful year. Also, I am aware of the really important decisions the students have to make with regards to options. I promise I will guide them and you through the procedure. I want them to make wise decisions, to that end I will help wherever I can.

Many thanks go to Mark Payne for his work with the current Year 9s. I wish him luck as he continues with them into Key Stage 4.

Kat Hunt will be working with the Year 8s next year and I am looking forward to working with her. I wish her every success.

Thank you for your support and I wish everyone a very restful summer.

By Mr S Ross
Director of Learning KS3



Photos from Romeo & Juliet can be viewed in the gallery on the school website in Flickr

YEAR 9 NEWS

YEAR 9 ONWARD TO GCSE...

Year 9 have had an incredibly productive year and once again they have made me incredibly proud as their Director of Learning by demonstrating a mature and focussed attitude towards their learning.

The year began for Year 9 with one key message: "Making the right choices". The options process was extremely smooth and my thanks goes out to the form tutors, students and you as parents who guided our students through the most significant decision they have made in their lives to date. As special mention goes to Mr Ross who helped me navigate many of the challenges presented by the process.

I am confident that Year 9 are in a very strong position to begin their GCSE courses in Year 10.

Good Luck Year 9.

PROGRESS GRADE REPORT

The Year 9 progress report data has shown the Year 9 students to be hard working and focussed on improving their learning. There have been many successes for the students as a Year Group however there have been many individual successes in terms of improved attitude to learning which has driven the learning and progress. Well done Year 9.

YEAR 9 GOING TO PGL

On the 14th July at approximately 2.30pm, 137 Year 9 students, 7 Year 10 Students, 17 staff members and 3 coaches will depart for PGL in Liddington for an activity packed adventure weekend.



PGL specialises in providing activity based trips for students and the Year 9 students have been excited all year about the prospect of taking part in this superb opportunity.

The Year 9 students will take part in a range of activities including abseiling, raft building and giant swings. It is a trip which will push the Year 9 students to the limits in a safe and well coordinated way.

Good Luck to all the students and staff attending PGL this year and thanks to all of the students, form tutors and you as parents who have supported me in getting this very large trip to this stage.

NEXT YEAR

I would like to say thank you to the students, parents and Form Tutors for all their support this year which has helped the students develop both academically and as people.

I am very much looking forward to building on the successes of the students this year as I continue with the year group on this amazing academic journey as they begin their GCSE's next year, in Year 10.

PROGRESS GRADES

Congratulations to the following students who in their

SUBJECT	EFF	PROG	MERIT
ART	ANNA LEWIS	CARIAD LUCAS	ALESHA HECTOR ALLEN
COMPUTING	HANNAH CLAYTON	HANNAH WOOD	JOSH DAVIDSON - COWX
CITIZENSHIP	TOBIAS LITTLEFORD	JACK BRITNELL	AMELIA JONES
DEVELOPMENT IN LEARNING	BETHANY TAYLOR	HARRISON MADDEN	
ENGLISH	EMMA WILSON	RHYS WILLIAMS	CALUM WILLIAMS
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	ETHAN SMITH	FIONA PULLMAN	NATASHA STEWART
FRENCH	SAMUEL ODONELL BUDD	MIA VINCENT	ANNA LEWIS
GEOGRAPHY	CARIAD LUCAS	SAIRA ALI	LAUREN ANTHONY
GRAPHICS	JOSHUA ROBINSON	MILLIE MADDOCKS	JAMES THREDDGOLD
HISTORY	CARIAD LUCAS	OLIVIA HARVEY BROWN	LUCY FLEMING
MATHS	CARIAD LUCAS	LEWIS WATTS	IMOGEN GREENE
MUSIC	ELOISE TOMKINSON	OLIVIA GREGSON	NITYA ADAPA
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	PATRICK DICKSON	ISABEL MUNGER STYLES	JACOB FROST
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	JESSICA MAXWELL	MIA ANSON	RUTH RACKSTRAW
RESISTANT MATERIALS	THOMAS PARKER	ZAVEN YOUSOFIAN	ISABEL MUNGER- STYLES
SCIENCE	HARVEY ASHLEY	FREYA DOYLE	HANNAH CLAYTON
SPANISH	NATSHA HATTEN	COOPER CHROMIK	JAMES THREDDGOLD
TEXTILES	ANNA LEWIS	OLIVIA HARVEY BROWN	ELLIE BRAINT

Spring progress grades received an excellent in all their subjects:

Jessica Beales, Ellie Braint, Abi Butler, Hannah Clayton, Phoebe Coleman, Freya Dolye, Amelia Jones, Anna Lewis, Cariad Lucas, Sophie Neaves, Ruth Rackstraw, Keren Rous, Natasha Stewart, Mia Vincent

YEAR 9 ATTENDANCE

G	94.5	R	86.8
T	93.5	L	93.5
M	95.5	O	93.8
A	95.6	W	92.2
Total	93.5%		

YEAR 9 SPRING TERM CERTIFICATES

At the end of each term we award Certificates in each subject for progress. Below are the students who received these certificates.

By Mr M Payne
Director of Learning Year 9



YEAR 10 PREFECTS

Thursday the 29th of June saw the appointment of 67 prefects in Year 10. All students were chosen for their leadership and communication skills, which will ensure they are well equipped for the responsibilities of being a prefect.

It was a pleasure to see so many parents attend the Parent Prefect Assembly and I would like to congratulate all those students who were successful in their application.

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| Freddie Noel-Baker | Toby Lassen | Katie Moorin |
| Ella Goff | Izzie Stewart | Joe Bedford |
| Jasmin Bains | Lily Mackey | Lucy Jeneson |
| Jessie Amos | Amy Chandler | Kirah Moore |
| Hartlee Openiano | Toby Holden | Thomas Rhodes |
| Tiffany Goodchild | Joel Langford | Shin Shan Stinchcombe |
| Sophie Tipler | Freddie Sheppard | Jonathan White |
| Toby Broyhill Fogg | Olivia Stone | Millie Bogie |
| Helen Windsor | Jessamy Wright | Hannah Puttick |
| Louise Tillier | Fiona Trew | Harley Stevens |
| Corinne Fisher | Zainab Lakda | Flo Braybrooke |
| Jessie McAuley | Rachel Burlison | Charlie Sparks |
| Hugo Salinas | Hope Smith | Lucie Walker |
| Jemma Bowler | Jasmine Kisbee | Mia Elton |
| Sophie Smyth | Sakile Graham | Louise Chandler |
| Kayleigh Darroch | Molly Jones | Tom Hamelink |
| Alyssa Harding | Kacie Gardiner | Lucy Peace |
| Robert Petrea | Peter Donkin | Philip Boland |
| Hannah Twynning | Isabelle Hansen | Cameron Chadwick |
| Tabi Collins | Kaleb Couch | Aimee Salter |
| Tilly Sutcliffe | Kateeb Webb | Alfie Flowers |
| Jacob Wratten | Maisie Rhymer | |
| Paul Wyborn | Molly Griffiths | |

congratulations



Year 11 Prom photos can be viewed in the gallery on the school website

YEAR 11 NEWS

On Friday May 26th, the final assembly for our Year 11, after completing their English Literature paper, took place. The trip down memory lane was highly amusing for staff and students alike: seeing Year 6 photographs of students alongside an up-to-date image made many laugh out loud. Matching the primary school image with their latest school photograph was a challenge but, ultimately, very worthwhile. Video messages from tutors followed, wishing their tutees well. A rendition of Bucks Fizz's 'Making your Mind Up' proved a fitting finale to the assembly for the Class of 2012.

The year book arrived in school and for those of you who have seen it I am sure you will agree it is an amazing collection of memories. My sincere thanks go to Miss Hunt, Mrs Rooney, Juliette Dudley and Jade Monks, who all contributed hugely to its publication.

I have been extremely impressed with the effort and commitment of the Year 11s during the examination period. Thursday June 22nd was a long time for the statisticians to wait for their final exam in the GCSE calendar, but we all agreed how quickly the time had passed.

The highlight of the year was Prom Night, held this year at Adams Park, the home of Wycombe Wanderers. Without exception, the students looked stunning and were a real credit to the school their parents and carers. A great time was had by all and I know the photo booth pictures will serve as a fantastic memento of the evening. At the close of the Prom, the following awards were presented:

- Prom Queen: Molly Holdsworth Prom King: George Setford**
Best dressed female: Luka Couch
Best dressed male: Zeke Anderson
Best dancer: Antonio DeGeorgio-Batten

The Prom would not have been the success it was without the work of Mrs Gifford and the whole of the Year 11 tutor team. I would like to thank them all for all their hard work during the year.

CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

The final awards for the year are given at the annual Celebration of Success and I would like to congratulate the following Year 11 winners:

- Harry Sutton - Attendance award**
Louisa Glen-Bramley - Year 11 award
Kasib Yasin - John Spink Memorial
Tilly Binucci - KS4 Art
Charlie Vaughan - KS4 Asdan
Tanika Small - KS4 Food Technology
Antonio DeGeorgio-Batten - Claire Coxwell award for Drama

A huge thank you is sent to the parents and carers of Year 11 students for all their support.

Finally, I remind you that the GCSE results can be collected from the Sixth Form Centre on **Thursday August 24th**

from 9.30. Please be aware that if someone other than the candidate is collecting results, they must bring a signed letter of permission from the student concerned.



I would like to wish all the students a long, happy and safe summer and I their results in August will be testament to their hard work and that of their teachers.

By Mrs K Craig
Director of Learning KS4



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW HEAD BOY, HEAD GIRL AND SENIOR PREFECTS

Congratulations to Max Boreham and Stephanie Howey who were selected as Head Boy and Head Girl for Great Marlow School 2017/18; in addition, well done to Jack Preece and Zoe Stout who will be acting as their deputies for the forthcoming academic year.

responsibilities that they will deliver in small teams, positively impacting the experiences of their peers in the school.

**By Mr O Hollyman
Head of 6th Form**

The 6th Form team were impressed by both the volume of applicants for the role and the quality of the application letters. 70 students applied and were whittled down to 13 students who were all given an interview and asked probing questions designed to find out about their leadership, communication, initiative and project management skills. Again, the ability of all interviewees to respond to rapid questions in a stressful environment must be commended.

A team of Senior Prefects was also selected. The senior Prefects will have a wide range of whole school



YEAR 13 STUDENTS LEAVE IN STYLE:

The year 13 Leavers' Prom took place at Wycombe Heights Golf Club on Thursday 30th July. On a beautiful summer evening the students, fashionably late but beautifully attired, gathered formally as a cohort for the final time.

It was a great chance for friends to gather and say their goodbyes and was well attended by teachers who wanted to congratulate students on finishing their examinations and courses. The students were entertained with a photo booth, chocolate fountain, buffet dinner and obligatory music and dancing. The behaviour was impeccable and the year 13 students demonstrated what a fantastic group of young adults they are.

A huge thank you must go to Katie Mae Adams and Sophie Raeburn who organised every aspect of the event from booking the venue and the DJ to getting students to pay for the tickets and decorating the golf club before the prom.

The staff and 6th form team wish every student the very best of luck on examination results day and in their bright futures. Keep in touch!

**By Mr O Hollyman
Head of 6th Form**



Year 13 Prom Photos and leavers photos can be viewed in the gallery on the school website.



GMS Annual Sports awards evening - a huge success!



The Great Marlow School Sports' Award Evening was held on Friday 7th July in the school hall. The awards are designed to celebrate the students' sporting achievements this year, and there were many.

The guest speaker was former Paralympian Judoka, Ian Rose. He competed at the European Visually Impaired Championships, for Ian this was a dream come true and the beginning of his international sporting career. He went on to win two Paralympic medals, five World Championships medals and four European Championships.

Ian was hoping to represent Paralympics GB at his 6th Games in London but an injury forced him into early retirement in 2011 after a 22 year international career. As one of Great Britain's most successful Paralympic Judoka, Ian was a torchbearer and opening ceremony performer for the London 2012 Paralympic Games.

It was a fantastic evening much appreciated by the great audience. The success of the event was due to the hard, dedicated work of all the staff, as well as the on-going support of students parents, carers and others.

Congratulations to all our Sports awards nominees, particularly to Flo Braybrooke Year 10, who won the Sports Personality of the year award for her dedication and enthusiasm in all aspects of sport and sport leadership.



TEAM SUCCESSES AT GMS 2016/17

- Hockey**
 - Year 7 Girls Regional Finalists
 - Year 7 District Tournament - 3rd
 - Year 7 Girls League Winners
 - Year 8 Girls Regional Finalists (finished top 8)
 - Year 8 Girls District Tournament Winners
 - Year 8 Girls League - 2nd
 - Year 10/11 girls - 2nd round of national indoor competition
 - Year 10/11 girls County Tournament - 4th
- Football**
 - Year 7A 3rd in District Tournament
 - Year 9 Girls 2nd in League
 - Year 9 Girls 3rd in District Tournament
 - Year 10 3rd in District Tournament
 - Year 8 Boys District Champions
 - Year 10 Boys District Champions
 - Under 16 Girls County Champions
- Rugby**
 - Year 7 District League winners
 - Year 7 Emerging County runners up
 - Year 7 Third place at Berkshire Road In County tournament
 - Year 9 District League winners
 - Year 9 Emerging County 4th place
 - Year 9 District League winners
- Athletics**
 - Year 9/10 District League Boys 3rd/Girls 2nd
 - Year 10 District Championships Boys 3rd/Girls 2nd
 - Year 8 District League Boys 2nd/Girls 1st
 - Year 8 District Championships Boys 3rd/Girls 4th
 - Year 7 District Championships Boys 4th/Girls 6th
- Golf**
 - Bucks Team Golf Champions
- Swimming**
 - KS4 Girls A team league winners
 - KS4 Boys league runners up
 - KS3 Boys A league winners
- Handball**
 - Year 10 girls placed 2nd and 4th in County Tournament
- Tennis**
 - Under 15 AEGON league runners up
- Cricket**
 - Under 13 District Champions
 - Under 15 District Runners Up
- Rowing**
 - Year 9 boys quad selected to represent our region at the National Inter-Regional Regatta, at the National Water Sports Centre in Nottingham
 - Year 9 boys quad won at the Marlow Town Regatta
 - Year 9 girls won the WJ14 Octo event
 - Year 10 boys won in their four at Birmingham and came 15th at National Schools Regatta (NSR)
 - Year 10 girls won Bronze medal at NSR in the year 11 championship Pairs event
 - The senior girls won their first two regattas at Bedford and Nottingham and came 8th at NSR
 - The senior boys won at Reading Amateur and came 5th in their event at NSR

GMS Sports Leaders – Summer Sports Varsity at Foxes Piece School

GMS PE Department has now been working with our primary feeder schools for 8 years. Foxes Piece and Lane End have always maximised the use of this link and received staff CPD, the use of our facilities, and PE lessons over at GMS

To strengthen this link further I decided that we could use our Year 10 Sports Leaders to deliver a varsity style sports event between Lane End and Foxes Piece. The plan would be to give the responsibility of the entire event to our Year 10 Sports Leaders, this in turn would link perfectly with the current Youth Sport Trust initiative GMS are running for My Personal Best, where students are engaged in activities to develop key life skills. The Sports Leaders were required to plan a coaching session which would be followed by a competition between the 2 schools in each respective sport. 18 leaders were used across 4 different sports, all of the leaders delivered part of the coaching session and then they had specific roles for the competition to include, team coach/manager, referee/umpire and the scorer.



The Sports Leaders were outstanding. The quality of their sessions (which had been practiced and refined back at GMS after school during the week leading up to the event) were superb, the students delivered well informed, appropriate and yet fun activities which engaged all of the year 6 primary children for the



full 2 hours. On reflection I genuinely think that some of our students were better than some of the university PE trainees we have had work with us at GMS.

The feedback from the two primaries was excellent. The afternoon was an absolute success and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Our Sports Leaders said that despite the whole project being a lot of work and very challenging, it was hugely rewarding and that they relished the opportunity for such significant responsibility, the whole project was sweetened further when the Sports Leaders were summoned to see Mr Ford who asked them all about the project and then rewarded them with an ice-cream for their hard work.

"It was really good fun, and it helped us realise how rewarding yet challenging teaching can be" Ella Goff

"After experiencing teaching children, I now have the utmost respect for all of my teachers at GMS who do such a fantastic job. I really enjoyed my day, and the ice-cream Mr Ford gave us" Jasmin Bains

BUCKS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

It has been another successful year for the GMS golfers that started back in March where we entered 9 golfers and 3 teams in to this year's Bucks golf championships which were held at Wycombe heights. The school entered the competition as reigning bucks champions and were looking to defend their title.

It was bright and windy day which would pose a difficult challenge for the golfers and a low score would be hard score but this didn't stop the team of Thalia Kirby, Taylor Paul and Jamie Kerley defending the team title.



After some impressive iron play throughout the day, Taylor shot an impressive level par score which lead to 36 points and with Jamie Kerley showing some excellent form with the putter it led him to play under his handicap to shot 40 points. Even with these impressive scores it still took a countdown to determine the winner and Thalia 35 points was the best score the 3 tied schools. This resulted in GMS representing Bucks at the national team golf championships at Woodall spa which were held on the 11th and 12th July.

The team of Jamie Kerley, Thalia Kirby and Taylor Paul travelled up to Woodall Spa for the practice round but due to the typical English summer the rain defeated them and reduced them to only 6 holes. However, the next day was a sunnier affair and gave the opportunity for them to score well. Over the course of the day the 3 students played consistently which led to them scoring a respectable 69 points combine. This ensured they finished in the top 10 at the national competition for 2nd year running which is a great result seeing they were competing against a host of specialist golf colleges and schools

On the back of their impressive result at the Bucks competition Taylor Paul and Thalia Kirby had been selected to represent Bucks in the South East Schools Championships at West Essex Golf Club. Individually for her performances over the last 2 years Thalia has not just been selected for the England squad but was also named captain as well.

I would like to congratulate to all students involved and hope to see many more golfers involved next year.

By Mr A Higgins

GMS Athletics – Mid-term report

This summer athletics has been the most popular extra-curricular activity at the school. Training has been taking place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and we are hosting between 80 and 100 students from across 4 year groups on each evening. The students have all been learning new skills or refining old ones in the quest to gain a new personal best, get selected for a school team or just in the interest of their own health and fitness.

The numbers at KS3 have been so high we have enlisted the help of the KS4 Sports Leaders to help us run the sessions. Their expertise and work has been invaluable as it has enabled us to have smaller groups who have their own teacher or leader. This has led to significant skill development and progress for many of these younger students.

With the levels of determination and commitment shown at training, it is no surprise that we have had another hugely successful year in the district and county competitions. Overall as a school we have performed well and the students have produced some outstanding results both individually and as teams. Here are the highlights.



All District Sports photos can be viewed in the gallery on the school website

DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

12 schools attended, which are a mixture of secondary upper, grammar and single sex and co-ed.

GMS were the 1st placed secondary upper in all categories (7/8/9/10 boys/girls)

GMS boys were placed 3rd overall at year 8 and 10 as were our year 8 and 10 girls.

Notable performances

Year 10 Girls -Flo Braybrooke 1500m 2nd /800m 3rd

Year 10 Boys -George Vaughan 100m 1st/Triple Jump 2nd

Year 9 Boys - George Holder 800m 2nd, Lennie Cavendish Javelin 2nd, Tyler McNab 100m 3rd,

Raphy Hickling Discus 3rd

Year 9 Girls - Rosie Jones 800m 2nd, Millie Shaw 1500m 3rd

Year 8 Boys - Laurie Sutcliffe Hurdles 1st, 200m 3rd, Cody McCarthy 100m 2nd, Long Jump 3rd

Year 8 Girls - Katie Windsor 800m 1st, Mannie Thacker 1500m 3rd, Jemima Hay 100m 1st, Long Jump 1st, 200m 2nd (Winner of the District Vitrix Ladorum, student gaining the highest number of points at the competition - 29)

Year 7 Girls - Kiera Allen 800m 3rd

Year 7 Boys - Henry Hazlam Long Jump 3rd, Jamie Lightbourne Shot Putt 1st

DISTRICT LEAGUE

Year 10 girls placed 2nd

Year 10 boys placed 3rd

Year 8 boys placed 2nd

Year 8 girls placed 1st

Year 7 girls placed 3rd

Year 7 boys placed 3rd

DISTRICT INDOOR ATHLETICS

Year 7 Girls 1st

Boys 2nd

Year 8 Girls 1st

Boys 3rd

Year 9 Girls 3rd

Boys 2nd

In addition to these events Miss Porter and I took a team of year 7 students and some select students from other years to the County Athletics Competition. Here the level of performance has to be of a required standard to enter. We had mixed results on the day, which was to be expected. However, the experience at this kind of event will always be invaluable and prepare our students for more difficult competition's ahead. Notable performances, Molly Jones 1500m placed 2nd in County running against students a year older than her, George Vaughan placed 4th in 100m and triple jump, also competing a year younger. Jonathan Yarwood placed 1st in Javelin for year 7 boys, Jamie Lightbourne placed 2nd in shot putt for year 7 boys, Ryan Karam placed 3rd in the 100m for year 7 boys.

Moving forwards towards next year we will endeavour to start the athletics training before the Easter break. In addition to this change we are currently looking into competing in the national athletics competition, The English Schools, as we feel we have enough strength in depth to now represent at this prestigious level.

By Mr S Goodright and Miss L Porter

SPORTS DAY 2017

On Wednesday 12th July the entire student cohort at GMS took part in Sports Day. During 4, 1 hour morning sessions each respective year group did battle for their houses in running, jumping, throwing and tug of war. This was then followed by an afternoon session where the entire school and staff came out for the sprint events.

As usual the level of performance from our students was outstanding. 15 school records were broken and Codi McCarthy broke the year 8 triple jump record which had stood for 21 years, whilst Molly Jones our elite athlete from year 10 broke 2 records in the 300m and the 800m. The quality of the results reflects the hard work that has gone into the students across the past 5 years where athletics has been a focus point in both curriculum and extra-curricular time. The students were all a credit to their forms and their houses showing true grit and determination as they competed for the available points whilst cheered and clapped by the rest of the school.

Not to be outshone by the students the staff were performing too. The PE relay team of Miss Porter, Mr Goodright, Miss Boddy (new recruit) and ex sixth former Harry Dore took on the best of the current 6th form in the 4x100 metres. Much

pre-race bravado from the 6th form was soon silenced as the PE team destroyed the 6th formers by a 30 metre margin. Talk of a re-race was soon delivered by the 6th form boys who were clearly shocked at the electric pace of the adults. In the 4x100m staff race there was excitement too, poor Miss Tuddenham was taken out by the legendary cover supervisor Mr Kilmurray who failed to slow down at the end of his run. However, the ever glamorous Miss Tuddenham was unperturbed as she raised herself from the floor knowing her hair and outfit still looked perfect. This race was won by Miss King (science), Miss Reilly (art), Mr Beveridge (music) and Mr Higgins (PE).

Thanks must be extended to the house leaders who rallied their students to compete, the maths team for timing, Mr Hollyman, Miss Todd and Miss Jones for certificate writing, Miss Murray (D of E) for scoring Mrs Rooney for the outstanding photographs, Miss Walker for first aid, Mr Ross for announcing, Mr Shea (jnr and snr) for race organisation and the entire PE team for all of their hard work on the day, setting up, running the event and packing away. A superb event enjoyed by all, roll on GMS Sports Day 2018!

By Mr S Goodright

BOYS RECORDS UPDATED JULY 13TH 2017

	WORLD RECORDS	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
100	9.58s Bolt	K Woolridge 13.0s Handycross 1999	Reese Wing 12.07s Marlow 2015	George Vaughan 11.95s District Athletics 2016	Adil Ajaz 11.08 Marlow 2015
200	19.19s Bolt	K Woolridge 27.5s Handycross 1999	Rhys Stone 26.0s ESAA 2010	Rhys Stone 25.1s ESAA 2011	N Webb 23.87s District Athletics 2016
3/400	43.18s Johnson	Jacob Wratten 47.56s Hillingdon 2014	Cameron Almand 42.22s Handycross 2013	Alex Moss 41.22s Handycross 2014	Cameron Almand 54.0s Marlow 2015
800	1:41m Kipketer	A De Oliveira 2.34 mins District Athletics 2016	Alex Moss 2.18 mins ESAA 2012	George Holder 2.22mins District Athletics 2017	Cameron Almand 2.06 mins Marlow 2015
1500	3:26m El Guerrouj	Cameron Almond 5.07 mins ESAA 2012	Cameron Almand 4.40 mins Handycross 2013	Cameron Almand 04.45 mins Hillingdon 2014	J Southby 4.31 mins Handycross 1987
Javelin	98.48m Zelezny	P Brown 22.25m Handycross 1999	C Searis 32.02m Marlow 1974	Lenny Cavendish 30.44 District Athletics 2017	C Searis 48.33m Handycross 1981
Shot	23.12m Barnes	Reece Wing 9.80m Hillingdon 2014	Reese Wing 11.58m Marlow 2015	Reese Wing 11.28m District Athletics 2016	Jerome Peters 12.72m ESAA 2012
Discus	74.08m Schult	Alex Matthew 25.14m ESAA 2007	Alex Matthew 39.74m ESAA 2008	Raphael Hickling 27.20m Sports Day 2017	Alex Matthew 29.04m ESAA 2010
Long	8.95m Powell	Joachim Hickling 4.63m Sports Day 2017	Peter Donkin 5.43m Marlow 2015	Louis Bullon Savory 5.33m Handycross 2013	M Johnson 5.59m Marlow 1988
Triple	18.29m Edwards	Codi McCarthy 9.02m Sports Day 2016	Codi McCarthy 10.64m Sports Day 2017	Michael Smith 10.90m ESAA 2008	D Lewis 12.01 John Hampden 1991
High	2.45m Sotomayor	K Woolridge 1.49m Handy Cross 1999	Carl Smith 1.50m Handycross 2013	Kai McKenzie 1.65m Handycross 2013	P Sanders 1.75m Marlow 1987
Hurdles	12.80s Merritt	L Sutcliffe 12.99s District Athletics 2016	L Sutcliffe 12.5s District Athletics 2017	Jevon Carter 12.72s District Athletics 2017	Cameron Daly 13.45s District Athletics 2017
Relay	36.84s Jamaica	W Leach, L Sutcliffe, M McGuinness, C McCarthy 57.86s District Athletics 2016	A Dimmock, H Denson, P Dickson, J Carter 52.09s District Athletics 2016	C Lindsay, G Vaughan, R Wing, J Wratten 50.76s District Athletics 2016	N Webb, A Degorgio- Batten, M Bowles, K Townsend 47.95s District Athletics 2016

GIRLS RECORDS UPDATED JULY 13TH 2017

	WORLD RECORDS	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
100	10.49s Flo Jo	Jemima Hay 14.0s District Athletics 2016	Jemima Hay 12.6 District Athletics 2017	Paige Vantuykum 13.8s ESAA 2008	R Rous 12.85s District Athletics 2016
200	21.34s Flo Jo	Rachel Goodwin 30.13 Marlow 2010	Jemima Hay 27.8 District Athletics	Rachel Goodwin 29.0s ESAA 2012	Rachel Goodwin 28.97s Handycross 2013
300	35.30s Guevara	Zoe Clarke 52.01 Sports Day 2017	Immy Spooner 52.77 Sports Day 2017	Ellie Osborn 51.13s Marlow 2010	Molly Jones 46.82 Sports Day 2017
800	1:53m Kratochvilova	KT Windsor 02:32 mins District Athletics 2016	KT Windsor 2.34 mins District Athletics 2017	Molly Jones 2.32 mins District Athletics 2016	Molly Jones 2.29 Sports Day 2017
1500	3:50m Yunxia	Alba Braybrooke 5.42mins District Athletics 2017	Jordana Wetenhall 5.22 mins ESAA 2007	Flo Braybrooke 5.35mins District Athletics 2016	Flo Braybrooke 5.26mins District Athletics 2017
Javelin	72.28m Spotakova	Alba Braybrooke 16.17m Sports Day 2017	Grace Kisbee 20.01m Sports Day 2017	Lauren Head 27.60m Marlow 2010	Lauren Head 31.28m ESAA 2011
Shot	22.63m Lisovskaya	Lauren Goodchild 07.52m Hillingdon 2014	Sophie Knapman 8.43m Helen Windsor District Athletics 2016	Sophie Knapman 8.06m Handycross 2014	Sophie Knapman 8.75m Hillingdon 2014
Discus	76.80m Reinsch	H Stevens 16.82m Hillingdon 2014	Harley Stevens 17.23m Marlow 2015	Bethany Lowe 18.35m ESAA 2011	Harley Stevens 20.49 Sports Day 2017
Long	7.52m Chistyakova	Jemima Hay 4.54m Sports Day 2016	Jemima Hay 4.93m Sports Day 2017	Rachel Goodwin 4.29m ESAA 2012	Rebekah Rous 4.40m Sports Day 2016
Triple	15.50m Kravets	Amelia Eldridge 7.98m Sports Day 2017	Sophie Smyth 8.52m Marlow 2015	Sophie Smyth 8.85m Sports Day 2016	Sophie Smyth 9.08m Sports Day 2017
High	2.09m Kostadinova	Alba Braybrooke 1.20m Sports Day 2017	Aimee Gibbs 1.31m Marlow 2010	Natalie Cannon- Edwards 1.30m Sports Day 2016	Jordana Wetenhall 1.44m ESAA 2009
Hurdles	12.35s Pearson	Jemima Hay 12.61s District Athletics 2016	Rosie Jones 14.32s District Athletics 2016	Emily Amend 15.08s District Athletics 2016	Georgie Webb 15.54s District Athletics 2017
Relay	40.82s USA	J Hay, L Enderby, G Kisbee, K Windsor 59.07s District Athletics 2016	J Hay, M. Williams G Kisbee, K Windsor 57.2s District Athletics 2017	G Webb, H Windsor, S Smyth, M Jones 57.76s District Athletics 2016	55.09 District Athletics 2016

PE SPORTS DAY FINAL HOUSE RESULTS 2017

House	Year 7 Girls	Year 7 Boys	Year 8 Girls	Year 8 Boys	Year 9 Girls	Year 9 Boys	Year 10 Girls	Year 10 Boys	OVERALL
Endeavour	106	113	125	122	140	78	80	87	851
Endurance	122	107	115	110	73	105	102	111	845
Victory	80	116	85	119	102	123	134	108	867
Warrior	123	93	106	134	109	114	122	129	930

House	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	TOTAL
Endeavour	219	247	218	167	851
Endurance	229	225	178	213	845
Victory	196	204	225	242	867
Warrior	216	240	223	251	930



PRINCESS ANNE MEETS STUDENTS AT THE RIVERSIDE ACCESSIBLE REGATTA



Great Marlow School were invited to attend the first ever Rivertime Accessible Regatta, which was held in the beautiful grounds of Bisham Abbey. This event has been created by two charities: The Rivertime Boat Trust and Give Them a Sporting Chance, to offer children with a wide range of abilities the chance to try new water and/or land-based sports or activities they might not otherwise have the opportunity to do, and to take part in competitive events in a fun, safe and controlled environment.



HRH Princess Anne is the patron of Give Them a Sporting Chance and attended the regatta. With over 20 schools taking part, our students were very fortunate to have the opportunity to meet the princess and spend a few minutes chatting to her.

The sun shone throughout the day and the students made the most of the activities on offer in the stunning surroundings. After arriving and registering, the

participants took part in a bell-boating session. Equipped with buoyancy aids and paddles, the 10 KS3 students enjoyed a short trip along the River Thames.

Next, they participated in some of the land-based activities on offer. Laser rifle shooting, followed by archery, which challenged their reaction and accuracy skills. Wheelchair basketball gave some of them a chance to experience a sport from a different perspective, while the accessible cycling allowed students of all abilities to engage in a task that tested both their coordination and spatial awareness.

Towards the end of the action-packed day, we were back on the water again. The students were invited aboard a 'wheely boat'. This vessel was adapted to carry passengers in wheelchairs, as well as non-wheelchair users.

For the last activity of the day, our students could choose between sailing and paddle-boarding. The sailors were accompanied by an instructor and all developed capability and competence on the water. The paddle-boarders quickly realized that theirs was a difficult activity, requiring strength and balance; they thoroughly enjoyed the sport. Everyone had so much fun mastering the technique, everyone enjoyed the fun of falling in!

The Rivertime Accessible Regatta was a fantastic event for our GMS students to take part in. The programme of water and land-based sports was designed to include people of varying abilities and to give everyone the chance to try something new. The GMS participants showed enthusiasm and great teamwork throughout the day, facing new challenges with confidence and independence.



YEAR 7 SWIMMING SCHEME REWARD TRIP

After a successful six months of lessons, the year 7 students involved in the GMS swimming scheme have all shown great progress in both skill and confidence in the water.

As a reward for their efforts and an opportunity to show off their competence and swimming expertise, the students were invited to enjoy a swim session at Windsor Leisure Centre.

The swimmers had a great time hurtling down the water slide, negotiating the lazy river and enjoying the waves when the wave machine was activated. Any previous fears of the water were forgotten as the students splashed and jumped in the pool.

The swimming scheme will start again in September to ensure our new year 7 cohort have the opportunity to learn this vital life skill.

By Miss H Murray



Goodbye and Thank You

As I am sure you are aware, the Friends of Great Marlow School, our parent support group, have organised fundraising events to raise much needed additional funds for the school. This year, we say a sad goodbye to three members who are stepping down after a significant number of years' service. They are Julie Lyons, Audrie Moorhouse and William White, I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their dedication, commitment and hard work in support of GMS. It is testament to the rewards that can be gained by becoming a member of the committee that both Audrie and Julie have not had children at the school for some years now, but have continued to be active members of the committee. All three of these long standing members will be sadly missed.

Mr Kevin Ford

Social Media Age Limits

There are age limits in place to prevent children being exposed to inappropriate material on social media, but it appears that, "More than half of parents [and carers are] unaware of the age limit on social media."

New figures suggest the majority of parents and carers don't know if their children are old enough to use social networks like Facebook or Snapchat. It is believed that some think that there are no age requirements at all for social media.

Some sites can be a dangerous place for younger children, potentially exposing them to bullying, inappropriate content or grooming. But they can also provide important support networks for younger people.

Our advice for families is to check the NSPCC website: this will help you learn how to keep children safe online.



AND FINALLY...



FoGMS would like to thank everyone who contributed to a fantastic year this year. We raised an incredible £13,200 !!!

This money has been pledged to provide a new school minibus. So far we have committed to two years of the lease and hope to be able to provide funds for the remaining 3 years in the future. The minibus is currently being used and is sporting our new FoGMS logo. We have purchased an additional 20 outdoor tables with seats so the students will have more places to sit and eat outside during suitable weather. We have also provided the music department with funds to replace and repair some instruments.

None of this is possible without your support so THANK YOU!

Lastly and most importantly please check the website for a list of all the events happening in the next academic year. Details will also be sent out via parentmail nearer each event

We wish you a wonderful summer and look forward to another great year in September.

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Come and join us

We'd love you to be a part of FoGMS, you can join the committee or simply support us at events throughout the year. For those keen or aspiring runners out there, you can also sign up to the Great Marlow Milers running club, and train with us as we prepare for the Marlow 5 race in May 2018 - more to follow!

If you would like to give back to the school for all the wonderful opportunities that it gives our students then please consider joining us. We meet 6-8 times a year in the Redgrave Sports Centre teaching rooms to plan our events and activities.

Details about us can be found on the school website or pick up a leaflet in the GMS school reception. Alternatively you can email fogmschair@gmail.com for more details and an outline of what is involved.

Good Luck...

...to all students waiting for their examination results this summer. We hope you get the grades you are aiming for and that your future aspirations are realised.

Remember all information regarding examinations at GMS is available on the website, including dates for the results in August.