



MARLING SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Message from the Principal

6 September 2024

Welcome back! The start of the new school year has been both busy and purposeful, and it's been wonderful to see all the students looking sharp and eager to learn. This week, I've spoken to them about making the most of the opportunities ahead, and they're certainly off to a great start. Over the summer, significant improvements were made to our IT network, and we now have full Wi-Fi coverage across the entire site. Our site team has also worked diligently on repair and maintenance tasks—often unnoticed but essential for keeping the school running smoothly. We had two highly successful results days in August, and you may have seen the news celebrating individual achievements. For A Levels, 37% of all results were A*-A grades, 85% were A*-C, with an overall pass rate of 99%. For GCSEs, 41% of exams were graded at the highest 9-8, 60% at 9-7, and 82% at 9-6. I'm sure you'll join me in congratulating our students on their fantastic accomplishments and thanking our staff for their hard work.

As we begin this new year, we are excited to welcome the following new teaching staff:

Tom Waterfield	Head of Geography
Emelia Welch	Teacher of Geography
Karen Carroll	Teacher of Physics
Andrew Curwen	Teacher of Physics
Ben Wilkins	Teacher of Mathematics
Millie Cooper	Teacher of Computing
William Hart	Teacher of English and Drama
Jenny Chen	Teacher of Art
Georgi Breeze	Teacher of Humanities
Rebecca Lloyd	Teacher of History
Lucas Price	Teacher of PE

They are excellent additions to the Marling family and are settling in well. It's hard to believe how quickly the first week has flown by. As we approach the weekend, I look forward to seeing our students return on Monday, focused and ready to learn.

Best Wishes,

Jules Godfrey
Principal



Key Dates: Week Commencing 9 September

Wed 11 1st XV Rugby v Sir Thomas Rich
at Marling 2:30pm Kick Off
National Cup First Round

Sat 14 Entrance Exam for Year 6's

Lockers

Year 7 students will soon have the chance to hire a locker for the academic year. Instructions for ParentPay with the login details will be provided to parents/carers. By paying on ParentPay, you accept the terms below. There may be a small number of lockers available for years 8-11.

Lockers will be allocated throughout September, once payment is confirmed. Students will be informed at Registration when keys (and padlocks for some) are available for collection.

Terms for Locker Allocation

- Keys (and padlocks) are issued upon payment confirmation and are non-refundable.
- Lost keys incur a £5 replacement fee; lost padlocks also have a charge.
- Lockers are allocated per academic year. Keys must be returned 2-3 weeks before term ends. We ask that lockers are emptied

Sports Update

PE lessons for Year 7, 9, 10 and 11 are due to be outside, so therefore students will need the following kit:

Blue rugby top (Training top can be worn, but not instead of a rugby top)

Blue shorts

Blue socks

Studded boots –Years 10 and 11 to bring trainers **as well** as boots.

Year 8 to wear inside PE kit:

House vest (white t-shirt underneath house vest but not instead of)

White shorts

Year 7 and 9 rugby

Year 8 gymnastics

Years 10 and 11 health related fitness



ParentPay

Could we please remind parents and carers to ensure ParentPay accounts are topped up and all allergy information is up to date.

Thomas selected for GB Fencing Team!

We are thrilled to announce that Thomas in Year 11 has been selected to represent Great Britain at the upcoming European Fencing Circuit (EFC) tournament in Budapest this October. This marks his final year competing in the U17 category before advancing to U20, and he currently holds an impressive GB ranking of 20.

This achievement is particularly exciting for Thomas, as it has been his long-term goal. One of his coaches, Shaun Garley, who runs Marling's fencing club, will be providing additional coaching sessions on Tuesday lunchtimes this term. Feel free to drop by and watch if you're interested! Good luck Thomas!

MARLING SCHOOL
PRESENTS

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TEEN
EDITION

AUDITION INFO & SIGN-UP SHEET IN
THE ENGLISH CORRIDOR

OPEN TO YEARS 7 - 13
SIGN UP BY WEDS 18TH SEPT