



# MARLING SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Message from the Principal

27 September 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Time seems to be moving very fast as we find ourselves at the end of the fourth week of term. Many of the extracurricular clubs are now underway, please refer back to last week's [newsletter](#) or the school [website](#) for further details of what is happening and when.

This week, we've celebrated European Languages through assemblies and engaging activities during tutor time. Students from Years 9 to 13 also attended insightful presentations by the Amy Winehouse Foundation. On Wednesday evening, we had the pleasure of welcoming the parents and carers of Year 10 and 11 students to our Information Evenings.

Next week we are looking forward to meeting Year 7 parents and carers for their information evening followed by a welcome event from the Parent Staff Association (PSA). School photographs for Years 7, 9, 11 and 12 and any student who has joined us this year are taking place on Wednesday, throughout the day.

In celebration of European Languages day: mentre ci avviciniamo a un altro fine settimana, non vedo l'ora di vedere gli studenti concentrati e pronti a imparare di nuovo lunedì.

Best wishes,

Jules Godfrey

### Key Dates: Week Commencing 30 September

- Tue 1 Y7 Parents' Information Evening & PSA Welcome Event  
Y7 Rugby at Marling 2:30pm
- Wed 2 Y7, Y9, Y11 & Y12 Photographs  
1st XV & Y9 Rugby at Malmesbury  
leave Marling at 1:15pm
- Thu 3 Y8 & Y10 Rugby at Malmesbury  
leave Marling at 1:15pm

## Year 7 Camp

Our Year 7 camp at Mendip Activity Centre was a huge success. A total of 146 enthusiastic students participated, enjoying activities like archery, puzzle solving, climbing, abseiling, and campfire songs. The weather was mostly favourable, with only a light sprinkle during the final hour. These experiences fostered teamwork, courage, and lasting memories. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who made this camp possible. Your support has provided our students with invaluable experiences. Here's to many more successful adventures in the future!



## Parent and Carer Forum

We are interested in forming a parent and carer forum to meet once a term, after school. This would be an opportunity for the school leadership team to understand the parents' and carers perspectives on issues such as uniform, behaviour, communication and to get some feedback on proposed developments. Depending on interest we would ideally like a couple of parents and carers from each year group to be represented. Please click [here](#) to access a form if you are interested.

## Conduct on Public Transport to and from School

We regret to inform you that we've received complaints about Marling students' behaviour on public buses, particularly on route 66. Please remind your children to uphold Marling's values and represent the school positively while travelling. The reported behaviours fall short of our standards, especially in showing 'respect'. Identified students will face consequences according to the school's Behaviour Policy.

## Submitting Homework

We are reminding students in tutor time that they should press the purple 'Hand In' button on Teams when they have completed their homework, this will help students keep on top of their workload whilst also giving parents and carers a more accurate picture in uncompleted tasks on the weekly email you receive and through MCAS.

## Non Year 7 Device Roll Out

On Monday P2 and 3 students in Years 8, 9, 10 and 12 who have ordered a new device should attend a session in the library to collect their devices. Students should see their tutors for more information. Year 7 devices will be given to students in a few weeks time.

**House Music sign-ups are now open!**  
Students can sign-up for an audition with Miss Swinger or Mrs Stoten, or sign-up with their House Music Captains during tutor time.  
All instruments and abilities welcome!



A vibrant red and white poster for Marling House Music Auditions. At the top, it says "Auditions Thursday 10th October" in a bold, red font. Below this, there are two small crests. The central part of the poster features a large, stylized red circle with the words "MARLING HOUSE MUSIC" in white, bold letters. Surrounding this circle are various musical instruments like a saxophone, keyboard, guitar, and drums. At the bottom, it says "Sign up with your House Music Captain" in a red font.

## Sports Update

### Rugby

This week, our under-15s team faced off against Colligate in the first round of the National Cup. Despite the final score of 42-10, our players demonstrated incredible determination and teamwork throughout the match. The scoreline doesn't fully capture the effort and spirit shown by our team. We are now gearing up for the first round of the National Vase, where we hope to build on our experiences and put forth an even stronger performance.

### Handball

Eoghan in Year 9 recently represented the South-West in a handball tournament. Impressively, he has only been playing for a year! Anyone interested in playing this sport should reach out to Stroud handball.

