



MAIDEN ERLEGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian

As we wrap up another jam-packed term, I wanted to write to you and share all that has been going on around school and some of the amazing achievements and events that our students, teachers, and support staff have accomplished together #TeamMaidenErlegh. It is hard to believe we are now two thirds of the way through this academic year, and our Year 11 and Year 13 students will soon sit their GCSEs and A level examinations, which I have witnessed them working very hard towards. Keep up the fantastic work Year 11 and Year 13!

Our sporting achievements have been nothing short of outstanding this term! Highlights include the U12 girls football team reaching the County Cup Semi Finals, while our Year 10 and Year 11 boys teams take on other local schools in the Reading Schools League. Additionally, our U13 girls football team made it to the County Cup Final and represented Reading Football Club at the South of England Championships. Both our U13 girls' and boys' teams were crowned Wokingham District Sportshall Athletic Champions. The Year 7 netball team ranked 4th out of 14 schools in the Wokingham SWIFT League, and our Year 8 netball team clinched the win to become the Wokingham SWIFT netball champions with a phenomenal 14 wins out of 14! Amazing!



Year 9 sports leaders organised a successful SEND Table Cricket Festival at Loddon Valley Leisure Centre and the U14 girls and boys handball sides qualified for the Berkshire Finals Day. If this wasn't enough to mention, we have had huge success in cross country events, with several of our students qualifying for regional and national championships. Well done to all our students for their remarkable achievements in sports this term. Your hard work, dedication to sport and sportsmanship have truly paid off. Keep up the great work!



Aim High



Be Inclusive



Work Together

Last week saw the return of our annual Science Fair and it was awesome! There were a record breaking 43 entries across all key stages. It was amazing to see so much scientific talent and creativity on display. Parents turned up in their dozens, making the event even more thrilling. Huge congratulations to all the students involved, keep innovating!

The sixth form senior team have been carefully preparing for this week's Culture Day, celebrating the diversity of our staff, students and the entire school community. Activities include cultural food in the canteen, wearing cultural dress, themed quizzes, and a cultural fayre after school in the main hall featuring games, food and also some amazing performances. A special thank you to Josette, Theo, Bhavun, Yasmin, Priyesh and Hassan for organising this important event.

A friendly reminder that uniform expectations for the summer term remain unchanged and students are expected to wear full school uniform, including blazer and tie. Also, please ensure your child has the appropriate footwear for school, we have noticed an increasing number of students wearing inappropriate footwear to school. As per our school uniform policy, shoes should be black, formal and polishable shoes with no logos. Spare shoes will be provided to students found to be wearing the wrong shoes, unless they have a note from a parent to explain why this is the case. Please see the examples below of shoes that are not appropriate and should not be worn to school:



As you know, the roadworks on Betchworth Avenue are ongoing and the road will still be closed after the Easter break. I understand they are inconvenient but I would like to say a huge thank you for your patience and consideration to our neighbours in encouraging students to walk or cycle to school where necessary and for ensuring your children arrive to school on time. Please remember that Maiden Erlegh Drive is a private road accessible only to pedestrians, not vehicles, despite the road closure on other routes.

I would like to thank you for your continued support with your children's education and wish you all an enjoyable Easter break. Take this time to relax and enjoy the time with your children. I look forward to seeing the students back in school on Monday 15 April.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Gibson
Headteacher

