



GROVE WEEKLY BULLETIN

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very Happy New Year to you.

It is lovely to see all of the staff and students return after the festive break. I would like to make a personal thanks to all parents for their support in upholding the uniform standards. Students look extremely smart walking around the academy and when we get the basics right everything else follows. Expectations will continue to be of the highest standard and I am looking forward to seeing how students progress over the coming term.

Year 8 will soon be making decisions around their Key Stage 4 courses, to support this we have an options evening starting at 6.30pm on Tuesday 15th January. I would actively encourage all parents and students to attend and look forward to seeing you there.

As part of the Academy Trust we are offering spaces to current Year 9 students for a trip to New York. This is a very exciting opportunity that will take place in October 2020 involving a trip to the Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty and the National History Museum to name but a few. Information for this has been sent out via email.

I am also very pleased to share with parents that we continue to see improvement in attendance across the Academy and this is one of our key targets for the coming term.

We are at a very exciting part of our journey. As we continue to work together as a community of parents, teachers, students and staff, the students at Grove School will flourish and have the opportunities available to them to succeed in life.

Mrs Taylor, Headteacher

Year 8 Options Evening

Our Options Evening for Year 8 students takes place on Thursday 15th January from 6.30pm. The event is for parents and carers of Year 8 students to decide on their GCSE options for Year 9.



New York Trip 2020

Following the success of the New York trip that the Marches Academy Trust ran last term, we are delighted to be a part of the preparations for our current Year 9 students to visit New York with both the Marches School and Sir John Talbot's School in 2020.

Please follow this link to view a letter with information on the trip: <http://www.marchesacademytrust.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2019/01/Trust-NY-Trip-2020-Grove.pdf>



Attendance

Wow, Year 8 and Year 7! Can you reach 95%?

Goals

How does attendance link to progress?

Attendance vs Achievement Comparison

Year	Year 8	Year 7	Year 10	Year 9	Year 11
1	95.93%	95.80%	94.87%	93.90%	93.70%

How are you going to make rapid improvements, Year 10, 9 and 11?

Year	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
% Achieving 5 or more A*-Cinc. E & M 2011-2016 (All Pupils)	23.4	30.2	24.7	32.3	12.3	14.3
% Achieving 5 or more A*-Cinc. E & M 2011-2016 (All Pupils)	62.6	65.6	68.6	55.3	50.8	62.4

Trust Newsletter

The Marches Academy Trust Parents' Newsletter 2018, which highlights the cross-trust activities and trips that students participate in is available to view by clicking on the thumbnail here.



Uniform

Thank you to all parents and students for their support in upholding the uniform standards.



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Assembly

On Monday, CEO of The Marches Academy Trust, Mrs Longville, presented to the staff and students.

It was great to get all of the students together to show them the benefits of being part of the Trust right at the start of the New Year and how they can be part of the exciting journey ahead.



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Grove College Open Days

Grove College are delighted to invite current Year 11 students to our Open Days, which are running from Monday 21st January. The details regarding this are shown here.



- Why choose Grove College?**
- ✓ SUPPORT - EVERY STUDENT KNOWN
 - ✓ RESULTS - HIGH QUALITY TEACHING
 - ✓ SMALL CLASS SIZES - LESS THAN 10 IS THE NORM
 - ✓ DESTINATIONS - STUDENTS GET WHERE THEY WANT TO GO
 - ✓ LOCATION - IN THE HEART OF MARKET DRAYTON



Grove College Open Week
Week beginning Monday 21st January
To book in a tour email:
Jennifer.dart@groveschool.net
Or phone:
01630 65 21 21



Term Dates

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th January to Friday 12th April
Half term: Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February
PD Day: Monday 25th February

Summer Term 2019

Monday 29th April to Friday 19th July
Half term: Monday 27th to Friday 31st May
Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May

