



## MAHARISHI SCHOOL

CONSCIOUSNESS - BASED EDUCATION

25 May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another half term, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you details of events that have taken place during summer 1 and to inform you of upcoming events in summer 2 and beyond.

### **Fundraising project**

The primary and secondary phase held 'Own Clothes Days' in May raising £143.81 towards the new nursery project. Many thanks, once again, for your generous donations. The next 'Own Clothes Day' will be on Wednesday 6 June.

Mr Mitchell is making good progress in his sponsored weight loss - in the first month he has lost 17 lbs! Thank you to all parents, carers, staff and friends of Maharishi School for supporting Mr Mitchell in his mission to shed a few pounds whilst raising funds for the school. It is still possible to support Mr Mitchell - please contact the school office for details.

Mrs Edwards, Mr Marriott and Donna Harding, one of our primary parents, are all taking part in the Southport 10k/half marathon on Sunday 1 July. There is also an option for our families to take part in the Family Mile on the same day. Although there is no charge to take part in the Family Mile, it is necessary to register online. Go to: <http://www.epicevents.co.uk/epicroadrun/southport-half-marathon-10km.html> From here, follow the link to enter for the 10k/half marathon> click on 'Enter online'> and then select 'mile'. There is a school sponsorship form attached if required.

### **Extra-curricular activities and events**

This half term, year 7 pupils held a Bake Sale to raise funds for the next book in Uncle Montague's Tales of Terror series. Thanks to the kind donations of cakes, and the many pupils who brought in money to purchase cakes, the class raised £35.89. Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service visited year 8 to talk about the benefits of joining the Fire Cadets. A number of our pupils signed up to work towards a recognised qualification. Year 8 pupils also visited Speke Hall where they saw the grounds, a priest hole and had a tour of the beautiful rooms. Eleven year 9 pupils and two Y10's took part in the Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition walking 15km on Saturday before pitching their tents and camping overnight, the following day they walked another 7km. In preparation, they undertook first aid training, learned how to use camping cooking equipment, how to erect a tent, how to use the countryside code and teamwork skills. The two groups did extremely well on a very hot weekend! Our World Book Day winners were taken to Waterstones in Wigan where they were able to choose a book and have a hot chocolate before returning to school. Year 9 and year 10 watched a live streaming of Macbeth with Christopher Eccleston in the lead role. They joined over 220,000 other students around the country to participate in this Royal Shakespeare Company free event, and the production evoked much discussion and thought about the director's decisions.

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At the start of this half term, year 3 visited Martin Mere to live in an Anglo-Saxon village for the day. They learned how to thatch, forage, defend the village and make an animal den. This half term saw the culmination of all of the hard work that our wonderful year 6 pupils did this year to prepare for their SATS exams. Our year 6 pupils celebrated the end of the exams with a conga around the whole school - in and out of every classroom and all around the playground and spent the day after the exams enjoying a lovely walk around Fairy Glen. Throughout the past weeks and months, the pupils' efforts have been rewarded with a 'Friday treat' each week, including a disco and a pyjama party. Y6 also raised a whopping £136 from their recent cake sale. Thank you for your kind support!

### **Primary classes for 2018-19**

Please note the changes below to some of the primary groups for the next academic year:

Reception	Miss Riaz
Year 1	Miss Copplestone
Year 2	Mrs Lymath
Year 3	Mrs Freel
Year 4	Miss Lunn
Year 5	Mr Lowrie
Year 6	Miss Wagstaff (Mrs Gaskell will be taking maternity leave from September 2018 - July 2019)

### **Forthcoming events affecting both phases**

6 June	Own Clothes Day
6 July	Summer Fair at the MBB 4:00 - 8:00
9 July	End of year reports
13 July	<b>End of summer term - school ends at 12:00 primary/12:15 secondary</b>

### **Forthcoming primary school events**

11-13 June	Y6 Winmarleigh trip
14 June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check
15 June	Reception class Teddy Bear picnic at Beacon Country Park
21 June	Y2 Florence Nightingale event
29 June	Sports Day at Edge Hill
4 July	Y5 & Y6 Dress Rehearsal
5 July	Y5 & Y6 production at the Ashurst Centre
10 July	Y2 - Y6 trip to Gulliver's World
11 July	Reception & Y1 trip to Martin Mere
12 July	Textiles collection
Wednesday clubs	Film Club; Eco Club; Yoga Club; Musical Instrument Club 3:30 - 4:30

### **Forthcoming secondary school events**

6 June	Salters Festival of Chemistry (4x Y8 pupils)
9-10 June	Y9 Duke of Edinburgh bronze qualifying expedition
11 June	Y9 & Y10 visit to Thackray Medical Museum
12 June	Y10 GCSE art trip to Liverpool
15 June	Last GCSE exam; Y11 Leavers' Assembly; Trip to Wigan roller rink
3 July	GCSE photography and art exhibition 7:00
6 July	Year group reward outing TBC
12 July	Textiles collection

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Tuesdays	Dance GCSE at Base Dance 5:00 - 7:00
Wednesdays	New GCSE photography group 4:00 - 6:00 (Y9)
Fridays	Karaoke Club 12:30 - 1:00
Fridays	French GCSE 3:30 - 5:00

I wish you all an enjoyable bank holiday and half term and we look forward to seeing you back at school on **Monday 4 June at 9:00 am at the secondary site and 9:15am at the primary site.**

"Desire is the key to motivation, but it's determination and commitment to an unrelenting pursuit of your goal - a commitment to excellence - that will enable you to attain the success you seek" - Mario Andretti

"If you set goals and go after them with all the determination you can muster, your gifts will take you places that will amaze you" - Les Brown (author, motivational speaker)

"Know what you want, decide when you want it, figure your plan of action, follow through on it, and never doubt" - Maharishi Mahesh Yogi

Have a wonderful half term break.

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