



Dear all,

I am delighted to share with you the names of our two newly elected **Head Prefects: Caleb Abiodun-Kehinde and Nina Searles**. Both Caleb and Nina delivered presentations to the Senior Leadership team about why they should be Head Prefect and answered questions from staff. We were impressed by both Caleb and Nina's passion, articulacy and honesty and wish them well for their new roles. Overall, we were very impressed with the six students who presented and all of those who put themselves forward for the Head Prefect role. Caleb and Nina, alongside the other four students, will form a group of senior prefects with specific roles and responsibilities in school. I will update you on those roles in next week's newsletter.



Allergy update

Mrs Loader, our Allergy Lead, has been leading [assemblies](#) this week with some key messages about allergies in school for students, including a change to where students eat when on site. **From Monday 12 October 2026** students will eat in designated areas at break and lunch times, to ensure that they are cleaned effectively between social times. Students should not be eating in corridors or classrooms. Parents/carers are reminded to keep their child's allergy information up to date, and ensure that any allergies are also reflected in students' School Grid account for purchasing food and drink in school. Mrs Loader can be contacted at e.loader@mardenhigh.net if you have any questions or require any further information. Our draft Allergy policy can be found on the school website in ['policies'](#).

Sports report from Curriculum Leader for PE Mr Smith

On Wednesday afternoon, 3 of our football teams were in action in the County Cup, North Tyneside League and North Tyneside CVL competitions.

The **Year 7 boys** team travelled to **Wellfield Middle School** in their first game of the season and faced tough opponents that have played together for a while. The game was played at a frenetic pace, with both teams creating chances in the opening exchanges. It was Marden that broke the deadlock with a fine team goal, before doubling their lead soon after through a fine solo effort. The hosts pulled one back not long after half time and looked the more dangerous side, but a penalty for Marden midway through the half was tucked away to make it 3-1. Despite some late pressure, the visitors hung on to take the win. A brilliant game played in fantastic spirit. All players can be proud of their efforts.



The **U15 girls football team** had an incredible 3-1 victory against **Whitley Bay High School** allowing them to continue into the next round of the County Cup. The girls played a brilliant game showing great effort, attitude and determination. Well played girls, a well deserved win!

Our **Year 7/8 girls football team** had a fantastic afternoon at **John Spence**, competing in the North Tyneside CVL. The girls were unbeaten throughout, securing a 2-0 win against **Marden Bridge**, a 3-0 win against **Norham** and a 0-0 draw against **St Thomas More**. All of the girls played brilliantly, showing excellent teamwork, determination and sportsmanship, and represented the school fantastically. A huge well done to the whole team!

Upcoming dates:

- **Introduction to Year 10 evening - Tuesday 13th October 5.30pm - 6.30pm.**
- **Year 11 core subject evening - Thursday 22nd October 5.00pm - 6.00pm** Yellis Tests

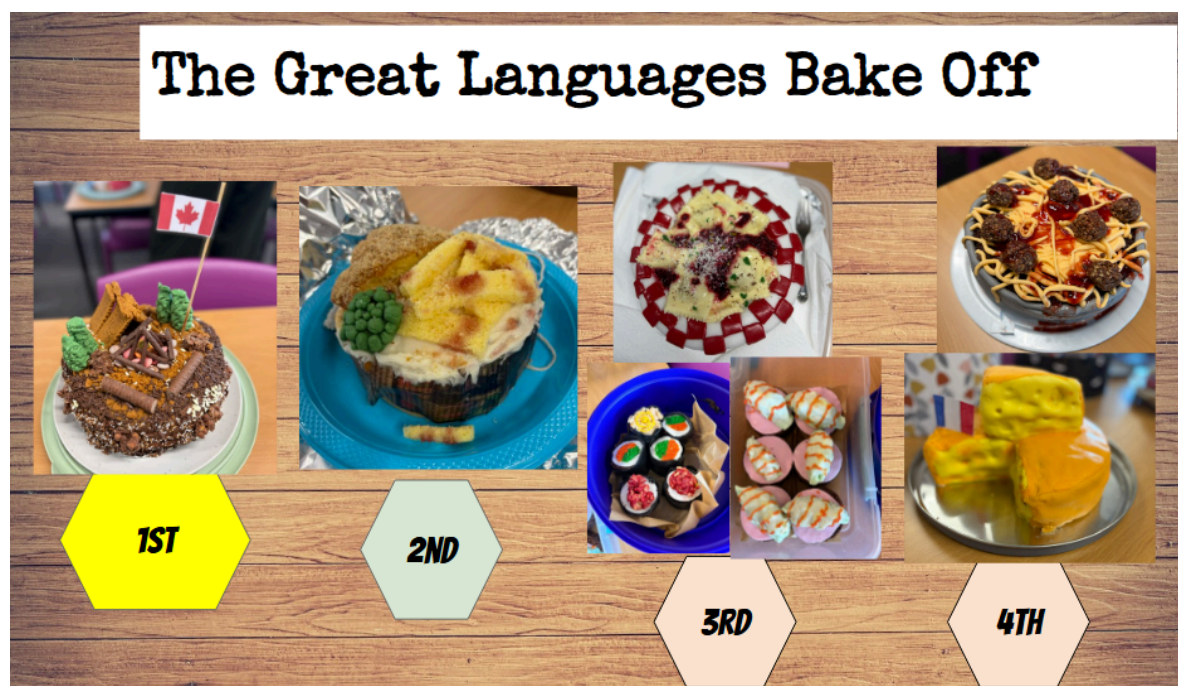
Yellis tests

Over the past two weeks **Year 10 students** have sat a Yellis test. This is a diagnostic test which tests students' ability in: maths, vocabulary and patterns.

Yellis also creates a set of chance graphs that identifies, based on their performance in Yellis, the percentage chance, when compared with students nationally, of achieving each grade at GCSE or BTEC. The Yellis chance graphs are predominantly intended as a starting point for conversations about children's progress and are used to support their learning throughout their time at Key Stage 4. Next week Year 10 parents will receive their child's Yellis report and next **Tuesday 13th October** Ms Power will explain in more detail about the Yellis tests at the 'Introduction to Year 10 Evening'.

Bake!

I was delighted to judge the Great Languages Bake Off alongside the MFL department this week. We were overwhelmed by the number and standard of entries. It was brilliant to see the students being so creative. Well done to those who took part. The cakes went on sale yesterday and raised £200.47 for charity. See the winners below:



Thought for the week - This came from Mrs Loader to link in with her allergy assemblies.



Have a great weekend!

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Head Teacher