

26th June 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

With the end of the academic year fast approaching, we write to update you on important items.

We appreciate this week has been challenging for many and we are proud of our students for the way they have coped. We were particularly pleased to see so many of our Year 7 parents attend their first parents' evening.

A quick reminder that the last day of term is **Friday 17th July with a 12.30pm** finish. An update on buses will be issued nearer the time, alongside details of return dates in September.

Next week is very busy with a number of events which we draw your attention to below.

- Usual school uniform should be worn on Monday 29th June.
- **Tuesday 30th June** is our annual Sports Day and all students should wear their standard PE kit – if they have a t-shirt available in their house colour, we would very much like them to wear it to show support for their teams.
- We are proud to say that **Wednesday 1st July 2026 is Centenary Day at Marshland High School and we will be celebrating a truly special milestone of our 100th Birthday.** To mark this occasion, students will enjoy a day of learning and celebration. The school day will operate on a 2-1-2 timetable (two lessons, break, one lesson, lunch, two lessons), with lessons taking place as normal during the morning but with lunchtime starting at 12.30pm.

In the afternoon, students will gather for our Centenary Time Capsule placement, to be opened in 50 years' time. This will be a memorable moment in the school's history and an opportunity for students to be part of something that future generations of Marshland students will one day revisit.

Following the ceremony, students will take part in a range of celebratory activities on the field. We have arranged 11 inflatables, including bouncy castles, assault courses, bungee runs and gladiator duels, along with a selection of carnival-style games. Students will also be provided with a selection of treats as part of the celebrations.

Students should attend in normal school uniform. However, as many of the activities involve inflatables and physical activity, students may wish to wear shorts underneath their uniform skirt for comfort and ease of participation.

An ice cream van will also be available on the field during the afternoon. Students who wish to purchase an ice cream may bring a small amount of cash with them.

At the end of the school day, students will have the opportunity to continue enjoying the inflatables until 5.00pm. Any student wishing to remain on site after 3.15pm should ensure they have made appropriate arrangements for transport home, as buses will not be available.

We also have an exhibition of old photos and 100 birthday cards in the school hall from 4pm to 5pm which is open to the families, ex staff and the local community, so we hope to see you there.

We are incredibly proud to be celebrating 100 years of Marshland High School and look forward to sharing this special occasion with our students.

- **Friday 3rd July** is our summer Super Learning Day with a change to the usual timetable.

Year 7 - will be on the Playground trip – non-uniform and spare clothes required. Follow the guidance provided in the trip letter and also details on Google Classroom. For Year 7 students not going on the trip, they must be in school uniform and go to D3 at the start of the day.

Year 8 - Careers and enterprise day linked to sustainable energy with a guest speaker from the College of West Anglia. Full school uniform please.

Year 9 - Mental health day, 3 practical and 3 theory sessions. Guests include the Mental Health support team and a local personal trainer. All Year 9 students should wear PE kit, black/blue bottoms and a white t-shirt.

Year 10 - Careers and aspirations. Guest speakers will be running a variety of sessions focusing on future pathways. Full school uniform please.

PSHCE Update

The DfE have launched a new statutory curriculum for September 2026. Further information can be found at the [DfE website](#). PSHCE is Personal, Social, Health Education and includes topics such as relationships, sex education, health education, mental health, online behaviours and drugs and alcohol education. Our new curriculum will be in place for September and you will receive further communication regarding our policy and consultation when we return in the new school year.

We regularly speak to students in school about these topics and what areas concern them to ensure our curriculum meets their needs, but would also like to gauge what areas parents feel are most important for us to cover. While the majority of the content is statutory and is therefore compulsory to cover, we would like to gain more of an understanding to ensure we place our emphasis in the correct places to meet the needs of our students and the local area. We would be grateful if you would complete the [link to the google form](#) to give us more information.

As always, thank you for your support and assistance.

Kind regards,

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