

NOTICE BOARD

HEADS ON THE MOVE

New appointments for this academic year



The tide of another academic year brings a new wave of head teachers, one of the most notable of which is the new headmaster appointed to Marlborough College. Current Master Nicholas Sampson left the position in August, after nine years at the helm, and his successor is Jonathan Leigh (above), the current headmaster of Ridley College in Ontario, Canada. Mr Sampson will become head of Cranbrook School in Sydney.

Right: Jonathan Leigh, from Ridley College in Canada, will help Marlborough develop its global reputation



Jonathan Leigh says: "I am delighted to continue to work with young people who have been the inspiration for my entire career. Maintaining the enviable breadth so soundly established at Marlborough will be fundamental to this."

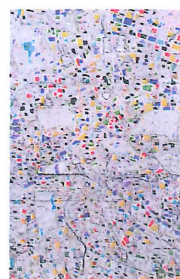
Heads for success



Public school appointments include: Nicola Botterill, former deputy head of St Mary's Calne joining Bruton School for Girls. Lucy Elphinstone (above) takes the helm at Francis Holland, SW1, and Canford School has a new headmaster, Ben Vessey. New prep school appointments include: James Saville, formerly deputy head of Gordonstoun Junior School who has joined Leweston Prep. Joanna Rex is the new headmistress of Bedford Modern Junior School. Edward Rees, deputy head of Dulwich College Junior School joins Hornsby House, and Feltonfleet welcomes Alastair Morrison from Fettes.

Queen of Arts
The winners of a nationwide children's competition, Portrait of Our Queen, will be shown at Philip Mould & Company in Dover Street on the 29 and 30 September. Children between the ages of five and 18 were asked to paint portraits of the Queen and, with more than 550 schools entering, it's been a tough decision. The judges include Nicky Philipps, whose painting of Princes William and Harry hangs in the National Portrait Gallery, actress Jennifer Hall, and Desmond Shawe-Taylor, Surveyor of the Queen's Pictures. To see the entries, visit portraitofourqueen.co.uk

Academy artist
At just 17, Luca Perricone, from Ampleforth College, had his work accepted for the Royal Academy's Summer Exhibition, chosen from more than 11,000 entries. He is also the winner of the £2,000 Arts Club Charitable Trust.



Christ's Hospital on the march

The 870 pupils from Christ's Hospital, formerly located in the City of London (1552-1902), celebrate St Matthew's Day each year with a ceremony in the City of London. This is a tradition which gives the school, now located in 1,200 acres of Sussex countryside near Horsham, the opportunity to return to its roots. This year, to celebrate the 460th anniversary of Christ's Hospital on 21 September, the entire school will march to St Paul's for a service followed by a visit to Guildhall. Here each pupil receives largesse, a monetary gift, fresh



from the Mint, the amount according to his or her standing in the school. John Franklin, Head Master of Christ's Hospital, said: "St Matthew's Day is an important tradition when we thank the City and school's Governors for their generosity."

All talk

Perfecting the art of public speaking is certainly a skill that would come in useful if one wishes to run for prime minister. No wonder, then, that Eton, the current holder of The English-Speaking Union's Schools Mace debating competition (the oldest national competition in the UK, run since 1957) has produced no less than 19 prime ministers of Great Britain.

Other schools with oration in the blood include Westminster, which has produced seven prime ministers, and Harrow, which has educated four.