

# MCA TODAY

## THE FESTIVE EDITION



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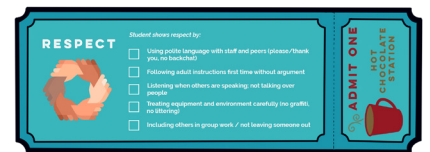
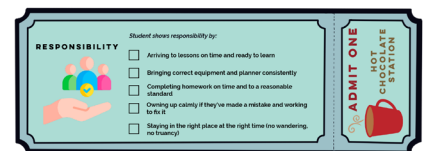
### REWARDS ASSEMBLIES

This week, each year group team are holding their Rewards Assembly to celebrate the outstanding progress and achievements of our students. During the assemblies, a variety of awards will be presented, including The Progress Leader Award, The Director Award, special recognitions for fantastic behaviour and many others. These assemblies are a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge the hard work, dedication, and positive contributions of our students across the school.



### MCA CHRISTMAS DINNER

On Wednesday, all students were invited to MCA's Christmas Dinner. Students came together in their House Groups with their Progress Leaders to enjoy a festive meal, featuring a menu chosen by the students themselves. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the season and enjoy some festive cheer together!



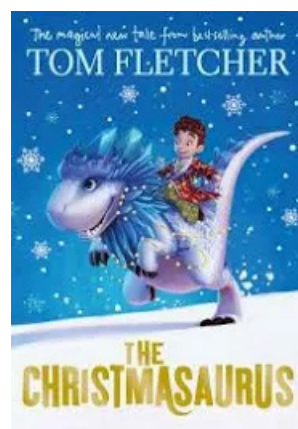
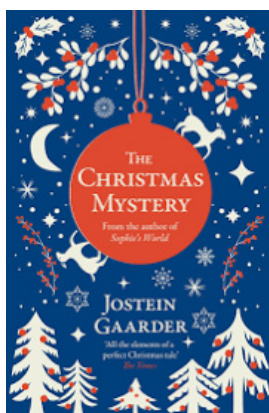
### HOT CHOCOLATE STATION

This week at MCA, pop-up Hot Chocolate Stations will be appearing around the school! Teachers will nominate students who have demonstrated our MCA values of Respect, Resilience, and Responsibility. These students will receive a ticket that they can exchange for a free hot chocolate, celebrating their positive contributions and spreading a little festive cheer.

## BOOKS WE'RE LOVING THIS WEEK

Here are some more brilliant Christmas related reads, all available at the MCA Library.

The Christmas Pig– JK Rowling  
The Christmas Mystery – Jostein Gaarder  
The Christmasaurus – Tom Fletcher (younger readers)



### FAMILY FOCUS

Looking for ideas to encourage learning over the Christmas holidays?

Parents can help make learning fun over the festive season by linking it to everyday Christmas activities. For example, Maths skills can be practised by helping children budget for gifts or calculate recipe quantities, while English skills can be developed through festive writing, such as letters, stories, or reflections on the year.

These small, practical activities allow students to learn while enjoying the season, keeping their skills sharp in a relaxed, festive way.



### STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Mrs Davies teaches English at MCA. To get into the festive spirit, she is currently read Hercule Poirot's Christmas by Agatha Christie.

She says that If you love puzzles, reasoning, and deduction, this book is like a mental workout wrapped in a festive setting. She's definitely recommend it!

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT THE DEBATE TEAM

On Monday evening, some of our debate team students treated staff to live poetry recitals. The students showcased a diverse range of poets, including William Blake and Brian Bilston, and it was fantastic to see how confident and expressive they were in their performances.

Their enthusiasm and talent truly brought the poems to life, making it an inspiring evening for everyone in attendance.