

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to take a moment to share some positive news from across the school this week.

Our Year 11 students are now in the second week of their mock examinations and I am incredibly proud of the commitment they have shown. Many have been attending booster classes and staying after school for extra revision sessions. Their determination to prepare thoroughly is commendable and sets a strong foundation for success in the summer.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Year 10 students who have completed their work experience at MCPA this week. They showed a fantastic level of professionalism and we are very pleased with their dedication to gaining the important skills needed in a workplace. MCPA recognised two students who went above and beyond. Well done to:

Alana
Imogen

Well done also to the PE department who, this week, won the silver award in the School Games Mark. This award recognises exceptional commitment to participating competitions and physical activity. This is real testament to the PE department's dedication to providing our students with a range of sporting experiences.

We are also very pleased with our Year 8 and 9 students who attended a trip to the University of Manchester this week for a History talk. They listened to David Olusoga deliver his annual lecture on the contribution of Black People in British History. The students who attended represented our school brilliantly and took a lot from the session.

This week is Anti-Bullying Week, a time for us to reflect on how we treat each other and the importance of kindness. We have discussed this within our assemblies this week and encouraged our students, as always, to have empathy for one another.

Finally, I would also like to celebrate the creativity of our KS3 Art Club. They produced a thoughtful installation for Remembrance Day which was displayed in the main hall. It was an apt tribute and reflected the care and respect our students have for this important occasion. On Monday, the whole school came together to observe a minute's silence to commemorate those whose lives have been lost in war.



Thank you for your continued support in encouraging your children to make the most of these opportunities. Together we can ensure they achieve their very best.

Kind regards
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