

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that this letter finds you well. I wanted to share some of the brilliant things that have been happening across the Academy this week.

Pupil Successes

Natanya S in Year 9 has this week led assemblies every day to the entire year groups about National Parliament Week. As a member of Manchester Youth Parliament herself she spoke about the work she has done, and shared knowledge with the students about how it currently works. She has then asked all students to vote on issues they would like addressing and will be working with form reps and prefects to action this work. As a Year 9 student this shows fantastic confidence to stand up in front of her peers to deliver an assembly like this.

This week

Year 10 students have been continuing their work experience with visits to City Press and MCPA. Morgan T was the stand out student from MCPA this week showing fantastic engagement with the primary pupils and demonstrating how to use her initiative.

We have had two recent House Competitions take place; the first being a Name the Flags competition in Global Understanding and the second a more creative one where students competed to design the best Christmas bauble. We still have a number of competitions to come before we break up for Christmas.

Students have the opportunity to become a form rep. Any student is welcome to be the representative for their form and bring about change in the Academy in response to pupil voice. This is a great leadership opportunity for any student to be a part of.

Our Year 10 Netball team received fantastic feedback from the school they played against this week. The teacher sent a follow up email to Miss Davies praising how fabulous the MCA students were in their sportsmanship and how polite our students were. They were welcome back for another game very soon. Well done!

Coming up

Year 11 students are busy completing their college applications and personal statements at the moment. A number of colleges have deadlines approaching early January. If you have any questions, please email careers@mca.manchester.sch.uk

Year 11 Parents Evening- Thursday 11 December- 3: 30pm- 6pm

Students will receive their mock results, and workshops will cover AI use, effective revision, Life360 safety, and managing exam stress. We look forward to seeing you there.

KS3 Assessments

Year 9: w/b 8 Dec

Year 8: w/b 15 Dec

Year 7: w/b 5 Jan

These assessments help us track progress and provide support. All students will receive a revision booklet with the material they need.

If your child is in Year 9, their revision guide is [here](#).

If your child is in Year 8, their revision guide is [here](#).

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Susan Watmough

Headteacher