



Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well. I am pleased to share some of the highlights from a positive week here at the academy.

This Week

#Beewell Young Researchers

On Thursday evening we took five of our Y10 girls to the University of Manchester for the first of three Young Researchers sessions. The students were looking at the different types of data as well as the different domains, drivers and demographics that form part of the #Beewell survey, a wellbeing survey completed by Y7, Y8 and Y10 students from across Greater Manchester. The group will go on to learn about how the data is used to improve the wellbeing of young people across Greater Manchester and they will even create their own research report.

Coming Up

Year 11 Thrive in Education Exam Stress Workshops

Manchester Thrive in Education service will be coming into school on 16th March 2026 to deliver exam stress workshops to our Yr 11 students. This interactive workshop is designed especially for Year 11 students who want practical, realistic advice on managing their wellbeing during exam season. They will explore what stress is (and why it's not always a bad thing), how it affects the body and mind, and how to spot the signs when it's becoming unhelpful.

Students will learn simple strategies to stay focused, how to balance revision with rest and social time, and ways to build routines that support both grades and wellbeing.

If you feel your child would benefit from attending the workshop please email georgia.bowden@mca.manchester.sch.uk (Senior Mental Health Lead)

Online Safety Workshops

The following workshops are available for parents to help understand how to support young people online

Parent Workshops

Primary: Primary Parents Spring 19th March 7.30-8.30pm https://smoothwall.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WHlglvaoTyyWJKJWHMIgog

Secondary: Secondary Parents Spring 17th March 7.30-8.30pm https://smoothwall.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ZHVcldULS7mQWPxEQqxyw

World Book Day

Thursday 5th March is World Book Day and as 2026 is the National Year of Reading, we are going to Go All In!



We will have a variety of events and activities taking place in school from a book hunt, to a great book swap, to design a t-shirt competitions and we look forward to sharing some photos with you at a later date.

We would really encourage all our young people and families to get involved in World Book Day and also with the National Year of Reading. On the link below, you will find lots of activities and competitions that our young people can get involved in so please have a look. If your child gets involved, we would love to hear about it so we can celebrate this with them.

Happy Reading!

<https://goallin.org.uk/whats-on/#agegroup=secondary>

Year 11 Key Dates

23rd Feb - 6th March Week 2&3 of PPE2

31st March - Parents Evening (PPE2 Results)

20th - 24th April MFL Speaking Exams

22nd - 24th April Art Subjects Exams

29th April - 1st May Art Subjects Exams

8th May - 26th June GCSE EXAMS

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards
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