

October 1, 2021

DAY OF LANGUAGES



The week started with a bang as the EAL and MfL teams immersed the school community in European Day of Languages. We took the theme a bit wider than Europe as we celebrated all of the different cultures and languages that make MCA such a vibrant and diverse place to learn and to work. Before lessons students were participating in language quizzes then in Aspire time staff and students set up stalls representing each of their countries. The stalls showcased their language skills, shared history of their native countries, students wore traditional dress and served some delicacies which it's fair to say, were devoured! I would like to extend a huge thank you to the students and staff that put so much into the event and to the families at home as I know a number of you cooked for the event too. There were many other activities throughout the day and staff came together on Friday to learn some conversational Italian whilst making a traditional tiramisu thanks to Miss Sheikh.



On Wednesday we had our second staff wellbeing session where colleagues came together in a dodgeball match up. This was not for the feint hearted but it was a great way for the team to come compete, expend some energy and have a good time.



Keeping with the wellbeing theme, students celebrated National Fitness Day this week, where once again they were put through a series of challenges to show their sporting prowess. Congratulations to Razaak who managed to cycle 400m in the fastest time which earned him a brand new basketball.



As usual, we celebrated our students at the end of the week with Hot Chocolate with the Head. For year 7 Angel-Rose Evitt was nominated by Miss Ashton who said, "She's absolutely wonderful! So helpful in lessons. Politest student I've met in 7 years here and always engaged in her learning. Goes above and beyond to put her learning first. Little superstar!" Angel helped me in the Beehive just last week so I can see that she regularly displays the Academy value of being helpful, well done Angel. In year 8, Katie Reed was nominated by Miss Walton for being really helpful during form time. In addition to this, she has made a great start to the year with 100% attendance and punctuality. Well done Katie. Brooke Woods in year 9 was nominated for her outstanding contributions in English across all aspects of speaking, reading and writing. Brooke always has a positive attitude and puts 100% effort into her work. In year 10, Luiba Aleksandravicuite has been nominated for the great contributions she made during open evening last week. Luiba ran a workshop which went really well and she showed the Academy values of heart and inspiration to our perspective students and families. Finally, Sam Grocott in year 11 was nominated as he has been focused in lessons, completing and handing in homework and is attending his two allocated Climb sessions in English and Science plus he is attending Thursday morning Maths sessions with Mrs Miah. This is exactly the attitude we want all of our Year 11 students to have! We hope that Sam maintains this for the rest of the year and that this will bring him GCSE success next summer. Well done to Sam and all of our nominated students.

We're looking forward to another great week next week, thanks for your continued support.

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