



Parent/Carer Notices

Spring 2 – Monday 24th March 2025

Upcoming Events

- Friday 28th March – ATT PD Day
- Tuesday 1st April - 6pm Performance of Aladdin at MCA6
- Wednesday 2nd April - 5pm and 7pm Performances of Aladdin at MCA6
- Wednesday 2nd April – Prefect Trip – Thorpe Park
- Wednesday 2nd April - MCA6 South Africa Fundraiser Quiz Night
- Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April – Easter Break
- Thursday 24th April – Year 8X Parents Evening
- Friday 25th April – D of E Silver Expedition
- Thursday 1st May – 8Q Parents Evening
- Monday 5th May – Bank Holiday – Academy Closed
- Monday 26th May – Half Term
- Friday 20th June – ATT PD Day
- Tuesday 22nd July – Last Day of Term
- Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September – PD Days
- Wednesday 3rd September – Students Return

General Notices

A Great Week

I just wanted to say how proud I have been of our Year 9 students last week. The Key Stage 4 Guided Pathways evening was a great success with over 80% of parents and carers attending. Our Prefects and MCA6 students did a fantastic job to support and enhance the event. The Year 9's have really grasped the opportunity to engage with the process and their behavior and attitude during the assemblies and talks has been exemplary. I am sure that the Year 9's will continue to work hard in all subject areas as we progress through the allocation process for Year 10.

The Year 11's have also impressed with many students taking real GCSE exams in PE and Drama last week. This week we will have performance exams in Music. The Music team are working hard to ensure that our musicians are supported to perform at their best. I wish them the very best of luck.

We had 6125 positive events recorded which is a strong score for the week. I am still hoping that we can beat 8000 before the end of the Spring Term. There are a number of surveys available this week and I do hope that parents and carers can engage with them so that we can incorporate your views as we share feedback with the local authority and evaluate some of our policies. *Thankyou, James Oxley*

Uniform

The academy is currently reviewing its uniform policy. We have spoken to staff, students and a parent/carers group to gain some recommendations for adaptations to our policy. We would like to now seek a broader perspective from parents/ carers, and invite you to complete this form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/18H8Ft16c9>



The form will close on Thursday 3rd April at 4p.m. *Thankyou, Richard Goodenough*

Social media and Group Chats

We are seeing an increase in issues brought into school as a result of some unkind behaviour on social media and group chats. We would like to ask for the support of parent/carers in monitoring their children's social media use to ensure that it is appropriate and not emotionally harmful to themselves or others.

In particular, we would like to remind you that platforms such as Whatsapp, TikTok, Snapchat and Instagram have age limits of 13+. If you allow your child to access these platforms, we ask you to be increasingly vigilant and monitor their use.

We are also aware of some group chats that have been created with names such as "Year 7 MCA Group Chat," with over 100 students who have joined. These groups are in no way affiliated with or monitored by the school, and large chats can be breeding grounds for unkind behaviour. We recommend that you check whether your child is a member of any larger groups and remove themselves, or that you monitor the content.

We thank you in your support in ensuring that social media is a safe place for any who choose to use it. *Jenna Powell*

Parent Survey re Family Health and Wellbeing

Please see the attached parent survey which we would be grateful if you could complete. *Many Thanks. Richard Goodenough.*

World Challenge

In the summer of 2026, a group of students from Mildenhall College Academy will be taking part in a World Challenge in South Africa. In order to support their efforts, the group are running a number of fundraising events. Their first event raised £550 which they were incredibly proud of. Our Second event is a Quiz night which will take place on Wednesday 2nd April from 6.30-8.00 in the main hall. Tickets are £10 per team, with a maximum of 6 per team. If you would like to support the event and enter a team, you can sign up via Scopay. One the night there will be refreshments for sale and there will also be an Easter Egg raffle which will be drawn at the end of the night.

From Monday 24th March, we will also be running an Easter egg raffle for the students and we will have a number of games that the students can play including, an Easter egg hunt and guessing the number of sweets in the eggs. The raffle tickets will be 50p for 2 or £1 for 5, Each other games will be 50p per guess. This will be a cash only event and there are a number of prizes to be won.



We hope that a number of you will be able to support the event.
Kind regards, *Miss Muttock and the World Challenge Team.*

Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition

Five year 11 students took part in a practice expedition for their Duke of Edinburgh Silver award from Thursday 13th March- Saturday 15th March. They coped really well with some very cold weather and showed great determination and teamwork. We wish them all the best for their expedition in April. *Ashley Waterson*

