



Parent/Carer Notices

Spring 2 – Monday 3rd March 2025

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday 5th March - Parent/Carer Info Evening – Youth Produced Sexual Imagery
- 14th and 15th March – D of E Silver Practice Expedition
- Tuesday 18th March – Year 9 Key Stage 4 Guided Pathways Evening (Options)
- Friday 28th March – ATT PD Day
- Tuesday 1st April - Evening Performance of Aladdin
- Wednesday 2nd April - Evening Performances of Aladdin
- 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

General Notices

A Fantastic First Week Back

We recorded 7274 positive events which is a fantastic increase on the last week of half term. Students have returned refreshed and keen to do their best. Thankyou to parents and carers for your continued support. The London History Trip was a resounding success on Thursday and despite a late return- attendance from students on the Friday was strong. Year 13 Parent/Carer Information Evening was well attended and I am pleased that so many of our MCA6 students are preparing themselves for the exams ahead.

We have some really important events coming up, including the Year 9 Key Stage 4 Guided Pathways Evening (Options). I hope that all Year 9 parents and carers can attend this vibrant and important event. The Year 9's will have a special assembly in advance of the event and we will provide all students with a booklet which explains the selection process and important information regarding our GCSE and BTEC courses.

My assembly this week will explain some changes to our Medical/First Aid services as well as emphasising the importance of kind and calm communication even if we have disagreements. I think this is an important message to convey in light of recent world events.

The English Faculty will be spreading the joy and value of reading as we approach world book day on Thursday. As a parent, I think it is so important to direct my children away from screens and to appreciate printed literature. We have some great book recommendations to share



with students throughout the week.

Thankyou and take care, James Oxley

Praise for two of our students

A member of the public has contacted us to thank two of our students - Ryan Chirisa and Spencer Cutts. Please see the lovely message below:

"A big thank you to these two amazing young lads for returning my wallet. I wish I could reward them for their honesty. Well done to the parents for bringing up two very polite young men. Made my day and restored my faith in young people – thank you so much young men!"

Borrowing of Uniform

We appreciate that, sometimes, the essential items of uniform can be forgotten. We are very happy to lend uniform to students occasionally if needed for this reason. However, some students are regularly not bringing in the correct items (e.g. blazer, tie) and are borrowing these on a regular basis, which is taking up a considerable amount of staff time. We feel it is important to teach children to take responsibility for remembering their own uniform. From Monday 3rd March, we will have the following procedures in place with regards to the borrowing of uniform:

- Children should go to the House Support Hub of their own accord on arrival to the Academy (ideally 8.55am-9am) to state that they have forgotten an item of uniform
- All uniform (except ties*) can be borrowed from the House Support Hub if necessary. There will be no consequence for borrowing uniform once during a school week.
- If a student forgets an item of uniform and has to borrow for the second time in one week, a consequence will be issued (30 minutes detention after school the following day).
- If a student has forgotten uniform, but does not present themselves to the House Support Hub on arrival to the Academy, or at least before 9.45am, they will be issued a social consequence (30 minute detention). We want students to take their own responsibility if they have forgotten items, rather than waiting for staff to pick them up on this.
- *Ties can be borrowed from Student Reception. The same rules as above apply - there will be no consequence for one tie borrowed per week before 9.45am, but anything later than that or twice or more in a week will incur a social consequence.
- All borrowed uniform must be exchanged for another item e.g. to borrow a tie, a phone, key or bus pass must be left in exchange until the tie is returned.

Thank you for your support in ensuring your children are wearing the correct uniform. Whilst writing, we would like to remind you of the uniform expectations:

- Blazers and ties are essential and must be brought in daily
- No joggers, jeans or leggings may be worn. If students arrive wearing these items, they will be asked to change into borrowed uniform.



- Footwear must be all black
- Hair should be of natural colour(s)
- The only jewellery permitted is a watch (not smart), one stud earring in each lobe, one nose stud.

Access to First Aid/Medical

Unfortunately, we have seen a rise in the number of students requesting to go to the Medical/First Aid Room during lessons. We have also seen a number of students choosing to wait outside the Medical room after break or lunch instead of going straight to a lesson. The health and wellbeing of our students is a priority and we are trialing a new mobile system which will ensure that students who genuinely need first aid and medical attention will not be needlessly waiting to see a member of staff. We have attached a copy of the presentation being shared with students on Monday morning as a PDF.

PE Fixtures and Events

Results w/c 24/02/25:

- U13 Basketball:
 - On the 27th February the U13 boys took part in a basketball fixture against Breckland at home. During the first quarter, it was clear to see that the game was going to be close with both teams having an equal share of possession and defensively, both teams were strong not letting each other have any clear shots at the basket. Eventually, after an excellent game, MCA won the game by 13-9 in the end, a convincing win and thoroughly deserved.
 - *Star Performers: Ashton Sharwood, Elliott Downing and Oliver Da Costa*



Fixtures w/c 03/03/25:

EDUCATE

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CHAMPION



- U13 Futsal Finals
- U14 Tchoukball Tournament
- U13 Girls Basketball
- U13 Boys Football