

Friday 6 June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

MER “Heads Up” News

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year! It’s hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by, and we’re now into the home stretch. There’s still plenty to look forward to, and lots to celebrate already.

Final Push for Year 11

Our Year 11 students are continuing to show real determination and resilience as they tackle the final stages of their GCSE exams. We are incredibly proud of the way they are conducting themselves—focused, mature, and committed. Just a couple of weeks to go before they can enjoy a well-earned break!

Year 7 Assessment Week

Before half term, our Year 7 students completed their assessment week. They approached it with great maturity and focus, and we’re proud of how they handled the challenge. These assessments are a valuable opportunity for students to reflect on their progress and for us to support their learning journey.

Athletics Success

We had a fantastic showing at the recent athletics event! Our boys’ team brought home a number of medals across various events. A special mention goes to the Year 8/9 relay team who stormed to victory, and the Year 7 relay team who secured a strong second place. Well done to all involved—you represented the school brilliantly!



Reminder: Breakfast Club – Still Running!

Don't forget that our **free Breakfast Club trial** is still running! It's open to all students and is a great way to start the day with food and a calm, positive atmosphere. We'd love to see even more students taking advantage of this opportunity as we move through the summer term.

Reminder: After-School Detentions – New Process in Place

As a reminder, our **updated after-school detention process** is now in effect. Detentions are now issued on the **same day** to ensure consequences are timely and meaningful. If you haven't yet had a chance to [read Mrs Harvey's letter outlining the changes](#), please do take a moment to do so.

Reminder: Summer Uniform

With the warmer weather here, students are now welcome to wear **summer uniform**. This means **blazers and ties are optional** for the remainder of the term. Please ensure that all other uniform expectations continue to be met.

Looking Ahead: Year 10 Geography Field Trip

Next week, our Year 10 geographers will be heading out on their field trip. This is a great opportunity for them to apply their classroom learning in a real-world context, and we're looking forward to hearing all about their experiences.

Looking Ahead: Year 10 Work Experience

We hope our Year 10 students are looking forward to their **Work Experience Week**, taking place from **Monday 16 to Friday 20 June**. Our partners at EBP have worked hard to secure a wide range of exciting placements, and we encourage students to make the most of this opportunity to develop their skills and build their CVs.

Upcoming Events

We also have a number of important events coming up for other year groups:

- **Year 9 Careers Day** – Monday 16 June
- **Year 8 Careers Day** – Tuesday 24 June
- **Year 7 Careers Day** – Wednesday 16 July
- **Year 8 Progress Evening** – Wednesday 26 June (a letter with further details will follow shortly)

Finally, we would like to wish **Eid Mubarak** to all those in our school community who are celebrating.

Best wishes



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